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CHINA – DOMESTIC SUPPORT FOR AGRICULTURAL PRODUCERS

COMMUNICATION FROM CHINA

The following communication, dated 16 May 2019, was received from the delegation of China with the request that it be circulated to the Dispute Settlement Body (DSB).

At its meeting on 26 April 2019, the Dispute Settlement Body ("DSB") adopted recommendations and rulings in the dispute *China – Domestic Support for Agricultural Producers* (DS511). My authorities have instructed me to inform the DSB of the intentions of China with respect to implementation of the recommendations and rulings of the DSB, pursuant to Article 21.3 of the *Understanding on Rules and Procedures Governing the Settlement of Disputes* ("DSU"). The United States has agreed that, in order to comply with Article 21.3, first sentence and footnote 11 of the DSU, China would inform the DSB of its intentions by letter rather than at a special meeting of the DSB held for that purpose.

China intends to implement the recommendations and rulings of the DSB in this dispute in a manner that respects its WTO obligations. China will need a reasonable period of time for implementation. My delegation stands ready to discuss this matter with the United States in due course, in accordance with Article 21.3(b) of the DSU.

China kindly requests that you circulate this communication to the Members of the DSB. In addition, China requests the DSB to include implementation of this dispute in the agenda of the regular DSB meeting to be held on 28 May 2019 to reconfirm our intentions.
