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Addendum

The following communication, dated 3 September 1997, has been received from the Permanent Mission of the United States to the WTO with the request that it be circulated to the Parties to the Agreement on Government Procurement.

I write to you regarding the recent communication from the European Community regarding modifications to its Appendices I-IV of the Agreement on Government Procurement. This communication was circulated by the Secretariat on 13 August 1997 (GPA/W/51), providing 30 days for other Parties to object prior to the modifications becoming effective. The United States requires more time to review these detailed modifications and, therefore, cannot agree to their taking effect upon expiration of the 30-day review period. We will endeavour to complete our review prior to the next meeting of the Committee on Government Procurement on 29 September 1997.