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UNITED STATES - IMPOSITION OF IMPORT DUTIES ON
AUTOMOBILES FROM JAPAN
UNDER SECTIONS 301 AND 304 OF THE TRADE ACT OF 1974

Acceptance of the Request to Join Consultations

Communication by the United States

The following communication dated 12 June 1995 from the Office of the United States Trade Representative in Geneva to the Dispute Settlement Body is circulated according to Article 4.11 of the DSU.

The Office of the United States Trade Representative received a letter dated June 1, 1995, from the Australian Permanent Mission in which the Australian Government expressed its desire to be joined in consultations requested by the Japanese Government (WT/DS6/1). Based on the Australian Government's statement that, "[i]n the immediate and longer term, Australia has a substantial trade interest in relation to those auto parts of Australian origin which are sold to Japanese auto makers," the U.S. Government agrees that the Australian Government's claim of substantial trade interest is well-founded, and has so informed the Australian Permanent Mission.