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## UNITED STATES - IMPORTS OF SUGAR FROM NICARAGUA

### Communication from Nicaragua

The Director-General has received from the Permanent Mission of Nicaragua a copy of the following communication to the Office of the United States Trade Representative, dated 11 May 1983, with the request that it be circulated to contracting parties and that the matter be placed on the Agenda for the meeting of the Council on 26 May 1983.

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The Permanent Mission of Nicaragua to the Office of the United Nations at Geneva presents its compliments to the Office of the United States Trade Representative and has the honour to refer to the announcement by the United States Government of the modification regarding the allocation of sugar import quota to Nicaragua which will be made effective from 1 October 1983.

Nicaragua considers that this measure will create serious adverse trade effects to a GATT contracting party, notably a developing country. Nicaragua also considers that this measure is being taken in violation of the General Agreement.

For these reasons Nicaragua considers further that the benefits due to it under the General Agreement are being nullified or impaired in the sense of Article XXIII. Therefore, Nicaragua requests that consultations under Article XXIII:1 be opened promptly in order to achieve a satisfactory adjustment of the matter.

The Permanent Mission of Nicaragua avails itself of this opportunity to renew to the Office of the United States Trade Representative the assurances of its highest consideration.