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Recourse to Article XXIII:1 by New Zealand

Communication from New Zealand

The following communication, dated 26 April 1988, has been received from the Permanent Mission of New Zealand.

The Government of New Zealand wishes to bring to the attention of contracting parties that, following a series of representations and discussions with the Republic of Korea concerning the suspension of imports of beef, New Zealand has requested Article XXIII:1 consultations with the Republic of Korea and hopes that these consultations will resolve the matter. In 1984, prior to the suspension of imports, New Zealand was the second largest supplier to the Republic of Korea beef import market.

Noting that both the United States (L/6316) and Australia (L/6332) have requested a panel to review the same Korean policies, New Zealand reserves its right to request the Council of Representatives to establish a panel under Article XXIII:2 of the General Agreement, should it not be possible to resolve the difference of view between New Zealand and the Republic of Korea under the provisions of Article XXIII:1 in a mutually satisfactory way.