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## <u>UNITED STATES - DENIAL OF</u> MFN TREATMENT AS TO NON-RUBBER FOOTWEAR FROM BRAZIL

## Request for Consultations under Article XXIII:1 by Brazil

The following communication, dated 7 August 1990, sent by the Permanent Mission of Brazil to the Office of the United States Trade Representative in Geneva, is circulated in accordance with paragraph C.3 of the CONTRACTING PARTIES' 1989 Decision on Improvements to the GATT Dispute Settlement Rules and Procedures (L/6489).

Upon instructions from my Government, I wish to convey to you a request for consultations under Article XXIII:1 of the General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade (GATT). The complaint of the Brazilian Government is based on Articles I and VI:6(a) of the GATT and refers to the United States' action in certain cases which resulted in a denial of most-favoured-nation treatment as to non-rubber footwear from Brazil imports, regarding the implementation of Article VI obligations.

Brazil believes that expeditious consultations are in order and, therefore, would like to consult with the United States at the earliest possible date.