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CONSULTATIONS UNDER ARTICLE 3:2 OF THE AGREEMENT

Communication from Norway

The following communication, dated 10 June 1991, has been received from the Permanent Mission of Norway with the request that it be circulated to the members of the Committee.

For the sake of transparency the Permanent Mission of Norway would like to inform the members of the Committee as follows:

On 9 April 1991, the United States imposed a final countervailing duty of 2.27 per cent on fresh and chilled Atlantic salmon from Norway.

On 16 April the Government of Norway requested Article XXIII:1 consultations under the General Agreement stating, inter alia, that: "Norway believes that (these actions) nullify and impair benefits accruing to it under the General Agreement and that they are inconsistent with the obligations of the United States under the General Agreement, i.a. Articles I, II and VI, as interpreted and implemented."

Consultations took place in Geneva on 2 May 1991, and a new round of consultations will be held shortly. It is the understanding of the Government of Norway that the United States accepts to consider the above-mentioned consultations as consultations also under Article 3:2 of the Agreement on Subsidies and Countervailing Measures.