

ARGENTINA - MEASURES AFFECTING IMPORTS OF
FOOTWEAR, TEXTILES, APPAREL AND OTHER ITEMS

Request to Join Consultations

Communication from the European Communities

The following communication, dated 25 October 1996, from the Permanent Mission of the European Commission to the Permanent Missions of Argentina and the United States and to the Dispute Settlement Body, is circulated in accordance with Article 4.11 of the DSU.

Pursuant to the procedures laid down in Article 4.11 of the Understanding on Rules and Procedures Governing the Settlement of Disputes, the European Community wishes to be joined in the consultations under GATT Article XXII:1 of the General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade 1994, Article 14 of the Agreement on Technical Barriers to Trade, Article 19 of the Agreement on the Implementation of Article VII of the General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade 1994, and Article 7 of the Agreement on Textiles and Clothing, requested by the Government of the United States by a communication circulated to WTO Members on 15 October 1996 (Document WT/DS56/1, G/L/115, G/TBT/D/10, G/VAL/7) concerning certain measures of Argentina in the textile, clothing and footwear sectors.

The European Community has a substantial trading interest in the Argentine market according to the terms of Article 4.11 DSU - exports of textiles, clothing and footwear¹ amounted to 74 million ECU in 1995.

¹CN chapters 50 to 64.