

EC MEASURES CONCERNING MEAT AND MEAT PRODUCTS (HORMONES)
COMPLAINT BY THE UNITED STATES

Communication from the Appellate Body

The following communication, dated 10 December 1997, from the Chairman of the Appellate Body addressed to the Chairman of the Dispute Settlement Body, is circulated in accordance with the *Understanding on Rules and Procedures Governing the Settlement of Disputes*.

Further to my letter of 21 November 1997, and after consultation with the parties to the dispute, I am writing to inform you that the Appellate Body will not be able to circulate its Report in this appeal by 23 December 1997, due to the exceptional nature of this case, the time needed for translation and the intervention of the Christmas holiday period. As a result, the Appellate Body Report in this appeal will be circulated to WTO Members by Friday, 16 January 1998.