

**AUSTRALIA – CERTAIN MEASURES AFFECTING THE IMPORTATION  
OF FRESH FRUIT AND VEGETABLES**

Request to Join Consultations

*Communication from Thailand*

The following communication, dated 1 November 2002, from the Permanent Mission of Thailand to the Chairman of the Dispute Settlement Body, the Permanent Mission of the Philippines and the Permanent Mission of Australia, is circulated in accordance with Article 4.11 of the DSU.

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Upon instruction of the Government of the Kingdom of Thailand, I have the honour to inform you that, pursuant to Article 4.11 of the Understanding on Rules and Procedures Governing the Settlement of Disputes (DSU), the Government of the Kingdom of Thailand respectfully requests to be joined in the consultations requested by the Government of the Philippines with the Government of Australia under Article 4 of the DSU, Article XXII of the General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade 1994 (GATT 1994), Article 11 of the Agreement on the Application of Sanitary or Phytosanitary Measures (SPS Agreement) and Article 6 of the Agreement on Import Licensing Procedures in the case cited above.

The communication from the Government of the Philippines dated 18 October 2002, document WT/DS270/1, G/L/575, G/SPS/GEN/345, G/LIC/34, was circulated to Members of the WTO on 23 October 2002. In view of the above, the Government of the Kingdom of Thailand wishes to express its interest in being joined in these consultations, and is looking forward to being informed of the date and venue of the consultations.

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