

**ARGENTINA – MEASURES AFFECTING THE IMPORTATION
OF GOODS**

Request to Join Consultations

Communication from Canada

The following communication, dated 8 June 2012, from the delegation of Canada to the delegation of Argentina, the delegation of the European Union and to the Chairperson of the Dispute Settlement Body, is circulated in accordance with Article 4.11 of the DSU.

Pursuant to Article 4.11 of the *Understanding on Rules and Procedures Governing the Settlement of Disputes* (DSU), the Government of Canada hereby notifies its desire to join in the consultations requested by the European Union pursuant to Articles 1 and 4 of the DSU and Article XXII of the *General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade 1994*, Article 19 of the *Agreement on Agriculture*, Article 6 of the *Agreement on Import Licensing Procedures* and (the ILP Agreement) Article 8 of the *Agreement on Trade Related Investment Measures* (the TRIMS Agreement) and Article 14 of the *Agreement on Safeguards*, with respect to Argentina's measures on the importation of goods.

The relevant communications to the Permanent Mission of Argentina from the Permanent Mission of the European Union dated 25 May 2012, were circulated to WTO Members on 30 May 2012 as *Argentina – Measures affecting the Importation of Goods* (WT/DS438/1, G/L/989).

Canada has a substantial trade interest in these proceedings, as an exporter of many of the products subject to non-automatic licensing in Argentina. Canada is concerned that the measures at issue are negatively impacting Canadian exports to Argentina. Accordingly, Canada requests to join in these consultations.
