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<u>Arbitration under Article 21.3(c) of the Understanding</u> on Rules and Procedures Governing the Settlement of Disputes

The following communication, dated 20 September 2004, from the arbitrator, Mr. John Lockhart, to the Chair of the Dispute Settlement Body, is circulated in accordance with Article 21.3(c) of the *Understanding on Rules and Procedures Governing the Settlement of Disputes*.

I am pleased to provide to you a copy of my Arbitration Award in *European Communities – Conditions for the Granting of Tariff Preferences to Developing Countries* (WT/DS246/14), pursuant to Article 21.3(c) of the *Understanding on Rules and Procedures Governing the Settlement of Disputes*. It will be circulated to the Members of the WTO later today. It is a confidential document until its circulation.