

**UNITED STATES – FINAL ANTI-DUMPING MEASURES
ON STAINLESS STEEL FROM MEXICO**

Recourse to Article 21.5 of the DSU by Mexico

Request to Join Consultations

Communication from Japan

The following communication, dated 28 August 2009, from the delegation of Japan to the delegation of the United States, the delegation of Mexico and to the Chairman of the Dispute Settlement Body, is circulated in accordance with Article 4.11 of the DSU.

Pursuant to paragraph 11 of Article 4 of the *Understanding on Rules and Procedures Governing the Settlement of Disputes* (DSU), Japan hereby notifies the United States that, in light of the substantial trade interest of Japan, it desires to be joined in the consultations requested by Mexico in a communication circulated to WTO Members on 24 August 2009 titled "*United States – Final Anti-Dumping Measures on Stainless Steel from Mexico*" (WT/DS344/18).

With respect to the substantial trade interest of Japan, Japan exports to the United States the products subject to the measures at issue in the consultations requested by Mexico, "stainless steel sheet and strip in coils". In addition, Japan has a substantial trade interest in the issue of implementation by the United States regarding the "zeroing" methodology as such, as shown by its own recourse to the WTO dispute settlement procedure on this issue in the dispute "*United States – Measures Relating to Zeroing and Sunset Reviews*" (DS322).
