

**UNITED STATES – MEASURES AFFECTING IMPORTS OF CERTAIN PASSENGER
VEHICLE AND LIGHT TRUCK TYRES FROM CHINA**

Joint Request by China and the United States
for a Decision by the DSB

The following communication, dated 27 January 2011, from the delegation of China and the delegation of the United States to the Chairman of the Dispute Settlement Body (DSB), is circulated at the request of those delegations.

The People's Republic of China and the United States of America would like to request that the Dispute Settlement Body (DSB) adopt the draft decision attached to this letter with respect to the dispute *United States — Measures Affecting Imports of Certain Passenger Vehicle and Light Truck Tyres from China* (WT/DS399). We consider that the draft DSB decision, if adopted, would provide greater flexibility in scheduling any possible appeal.

We respectfully request that you circulate this request to Members of the DSB.

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Draft decision of the DSB:

The DSB agrees that, upon a request by the People's Republic of China or the United States of America, the DSB shall no later than 24 May 2011 adopt the report of the panel in the dispute *United States — Measures Affecting Imports of Certain Passenger Vehicle and Light Truck Tyres from China* (WT/DS399/R) unless (i) the DSB decides by consensus not to do so or (ii) either party to the dispute notifies the DSB of its decision to appeal pursuant to Article 16.4 of the *Understanding on Rules and Procedures Governing the Settlement of Disputes*.