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## UNITED STATES - COUNTERVAILING MEASURES ON SOFTWOOD LUMBER FROM CANADA

NOTIFICATION OF AN APPEAL BY THE UNITED STATES UNDER ARTICLE 16 OF THE UNDERSTANDING ON RULES AND PROCEDURES GOVERNING THE SETTLEMENT OF DISPUTES ("DSU")

The following communication, dated 28 September 2020, addressed to the Chairperson of the Dispute Settlement Body is being circulated to Members at the request of the delegation of the United States.

Pursuant to Article 16 of the *Understanding on Rules and Procedures Governing the Settlement of Disputes* (DSU), the United States hereby notifies the Dispute Settlement Body of its decision to appeal issues of law covered in the report of the Panel in *United States – Countervailing Measures on Softwood Lumber from Canada* (WT/DS533/R & WT/DS533/R/Add.1) and legal interpretations developed by the Panel.

At this time, no division of the Appellate Body can be established to hear this appeal in accordance with DSU Article 17.1. The United States will confer with Canada so the parties may determine the way forward in this dispute.