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**SAUDI ARABIA – MEASURES CONCERNING THE PROTECTION  
OF INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY RIGHTS**

COMMUNICATION FROM QATAR

The following communication, dated 31 December 2021, was received from the delegation of Qatar with the request that it be circulated to the Dispute Settlement Body (DSB).

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On 28 July 2020, Saudi Arabia filed a notice of appeal in respect of the panel report in DS567.

Qatar is in receipt of Saudi Arabia's letter dated 29/12/2021, requesting a suspension of the appellate proceedings in the DS567 matter. Qatar agreed to the proposed suspension of the appellate proceedings pursuant to the terms of Al-Ula Declaration signed on 5 January 2021. Qatar further confirms the suspension of its submission to the aforementioned appeal dated on 17 August 2020.

Qatar confirms the suspension of any further proceedings to adopt the panel report, while the mutually agreed suspension remains in place.

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