UNITED STATES - MEASURES AFFECTING ALCOHOLIC AND MALT BEVERAGES

Follow-up on the Panel report

Communication from the United States

The following communication, dated 22 October 1993, has been received from the Office of the United States Trade Representative in Geneva with the request that it be circulated to contracting parties.

Pursuant to paragraph 1.3 of the 1989 Improvements to the GATT Dispute Settlement Rules and Procedures (BISD 36S/61), the United States advises contracting parties of the status of implementation of the recommendations of the report of the Panel on "United States - Measures Affecting Alcoholic and malt Beverages."

With regard to the federal measures at issue, USTR discussed the issue of implementation of the Panel's recommendations with staff of the Committee on Ways and Means of the US House of Representatives, the House Committee responsible for legislation involving federal taxes.

With regard to measures involving the states, we note that most state legislatures have adjourned for 1993. The United States remains committed to working with states in their efforts to implement the Panel's recommendations.