The following communication, dated 25 September 1989, from the Office of the United States Trade Representative in Geneva to the Permanent Mission of Canada in Geneva, is circulated in accordance with paragraph C.3 of the CONTRACTING PARTIES' 1989 Decision on Improvements to the GATT Dispute Settlement Rules and Procedures (L/6489).

On instructions from my authorities, I wish to convey to you the request of the United States for consultations under Article XXII:1 of the General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade concerning Canadian restrictions on imports of broiler hatching eggs/chicks.

The United States believes that these trade restrictions, which went into effect on May 6, could contravene the obligations of Canada under the General Agreement, inter alia of Article XI, and nullify or impair benefits accruing to the U.S. thereunder.

We propose that these consultations under Article XXII:1 take place in Canada on October 3 or, alternatively, on October 6.