EEC - RESTRICTIONS ON CERTAIN IMPORTS FROM NEW ZEALAND

Recourse by New Zealand to Article XXII:1

Communication from New Zealand

The following communication, dated 10 March 1986, has been received from the New Zealand Permanent Mission, with the request that it be circulated, for information, to contracting parties.

The New Zealand Government has requested consultations with the European Economic Community under Article XXII:1 of the General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade regarding the actions of France in banning selected imports from New Zealand.

Our purpose in requesting these consultations is to discuss the apparent conflict between France's action in banning lamb brain imports from New Zealand and the European Economic Community's obligations under the General Agreement. We are also seeking further information on why France has taken action against some other imports from New Zealand. We have requested a rapid reversal of France's policy in banning New Zealand lamb brain imports.