

**EUROPEAN COMMUNITIES – MEASURES AFFECTING ASBESTOS  
AND PRODUCTS CONTAINING ASBESTOS**

Request to Join Consultations

Communication from Brazil

The following communication, dated 12 June 1998, from the Permanent Mission of Brazil to the Permanent Delegation of the European Commission and to the Dispute Settlement Body, is circulated in accordance with Article 4.11 of the DSU.

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Pursuant to Article 4.11 of the DSU, I inform you that the Government of Brazil, due to its substantial trade interest, wishes to be joined in the consultations under Article XXII of the General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade 1994, Article 11 of the Agreement on the Application of Sanitary and Phytosanitary Measures and Article 14 of the Agreement on Technical Barriers to Trade requested by the Government of Canada, in letter dated 28 May 1998 (WT/DS135/1). Such consultations refer to certain measures taken by France for the prohibition of asbestos and products containing asbestos.

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