

**UNITED STATES - MEASURES AFFECTING TEXTILES
AND APPAREL PRODUCTS (II)**

Request to Join Consultations

Communication from Japan

The following communication, dated 7 December 1998, from the Permanent Mission of Japan to the Permanent Mission of the United States, the Permanent Delegation of the European Commission and to the Chairman of the Dispute Settlement Body, is circulated in accordance with Article 4.11 of the DSU.

Pursuant to paragraph 11 of Article 4 of the Understanding on Rules and Procedures Governing the Settlement of Disputes, the Government of Japan hereby notifies the Government of the United States that, in light of the substantial trade interest of Japan, it desires to be joined in the consultations requested by the European Communities in a communication circulated to WTO Members on 25 November 1998 (WT/DS151/1, G/TMB/N/341, G/RO/D/3, G/TBT/D/19, G/L/279) entitled "United States - Measures Affecting Textiles and Apparel Products (II)".
