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Status Report by the European Communities

Addendum

The following communication, dated 3 March 2008, from the delegation of the European Communities to the Chairman of the Dispute Settlement Body, is circulated pursuant to Article 21.6 of the DSU.

Status Report Regarding Implementation of the
DSB Recommendations and Rulings in the Dispute
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and Marketing of Biotech Products
(WT/DS291, WT/DS292, WT/DS293)

Since its last status report, the European Communities and the three complainants have continued to be engaged in constructive discussions with the goal of resolving this dispute and related issues.

Further extensions of the reasonable period of time beyond 11 January 2008 were agreed under Article 21.3(b) of the *Understanding on Rules and Procedures Governing the Settlement of Disputes* with Argentina and Canada. On 15 February 2008, the US and the EC requested the suspension of arbitration proceedings under Article 22.6 DSU in order to allow the dialogue to continue.
