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Communication from the United States

A copy of the following communication, dated 22 January 1985, from the Office of the United States Trade Representative in Geneva to the Permanent Representative of Brazil, has been received from the former with the request that it be circulated for the information of all contracting parties. (BISD 7S/24.)

On instructions from my authorities, I wish to inform you that the United States Government requests consultations with the Government of Brazil under Article XXII of the General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade regarding Brazilian "informatics" policy, relevant decrees and the recently-passed "informatics" law.

Our purpose in requesting these consultations is to discuss how the policy and law may affect the operation of the General Agreement, as well as to gather more information on the new law and its potential trade effects.

I look forward to receiving your Government's response to this request for consultations.