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Request for derestriction of the Panel Report (L/6264)

Communication from the United States

The following communication dated 9 March has been received from the Permanent Mission of the United States.

The United States wishes to request that the Council of Representatives at its 22 March 1988 meeting, authorize the immediate derestriction of the Report of the Panel on United States Customs User Fee (L/6264), circulated on 25 November 1987, instead of waiting for the scheduled derestriction date of 19 April.

The panel Report, adopted by the Council at its 2 February 1988 meeting, found the present U.S. Customs user fee to be inconsistent with obligations of the United States under the GATT. Immediate derestriction would aid prompt consideration by the U.S. Congress of proposals to bring the current United States Customs user fee into conformity with the Panel's report.