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REQUESTS FOR ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

Communication from the United States

Supplement

A copy of the following communication, dated 8 November 1988, addressed to the delegation of Australia has been received from the delegation of the United States with the request that it be circulated to the members of the Group.

In accordance with the procedures adopted by the Negotiating Group on Tropical Products at its sixth meeting, my authorities are requesting information on some of your government's policies affecting tropical products. The enclosed submission is a request for information only.

The policies on which we seek information represent a sample of the types of measures that could be the subject of negotiations. The products selected are among those currently under consideration in the Negotiating Group. We note that it is understood by the Negotiating Group that the seven product categories do not constitute a definition of tropical products.

We look forward to receiving an early response from your authorities. Should there be any questions concerning this request, please let me know.

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The United States requests that Australia provide information on all tariff, non-tariff, export, and domestic measures affecting the following products:

- HS Number Description
- 06.02.99 Orchid plants
- 06.03.10 Fresh cut flowers
- 06.03.20 Other cut flowers
- 08.04.20 Figs, fresh or dried
- 08.04.40 Avocados, fresh or dried
- 09.10.40 Bay leaves
- 10.06.10 Rice in the husk
- 10.06.20 Husked rice
- 10.06.30 Semi- or wholly milled rice
- 10.06.40 Broken rice
- 12.02.10Peanuts, in shell12.02.20Peanuts, shelled
- 24.01 Unmanufactured tobacco

44.03 Wood, in the Rough, whether or not stripped of the bark

* The U.S. is making this request for informational purposes only. The U.S. does not intend to imply that any of these products are "tropical" agricultural products.