

**GENERAL AGREEMENT ON  
TARIFFS AND TRADE**

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REQUEST BY THE EUROPEAN COMMUNITIES FOR CONSULTATIONS  
UNDER ARTICLE XXII:1

The following communication, dated 24 June 1982, has been received from the Commission of the European Communities.

In accordance with the procedure adopted by the CONTRACTING PARTIES on 10 November 1958 for consultations under Article XXII, I shall be grateful if you will forward to the contracting parties, for information, the following communication which the delegation of the Commission of the European Communities forwarded to the United States delegation on 24 June 1982.

"During the negotiations in 1973/74 under Article XXIV:6 of the GATT, the European Economic Community re-bound in concessions list LXXII the exemption from customs duty for tariff sub-heading 23.03 A II (residues from the manufacture of starch from maize - excluding concentrated steeping liquors - of a protein content calculated on the dry product not exceeding 40 per cent by weight). Of the products classified under this sub-heading, corn gluten feed is the most important.

The application of this concession is causing a problem for the Community following the development of the technical and economic conditions for the production of isoglucose and methanol of which these products are by-products.

The European Economic Community therefore requests of the United States authorities consultations on this question pursuant to Article XXII:1 of the General Agreement."

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