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INDIA – MEASURES CONCERNING SUGAR AND SUGARCANE

REQUEST TO JOIN CONSULTATIONS

Communication from Brazil

The following communication, dated 12 March 2019, from the delegation of Brazil to the delegation of India, and the delegation of Australia, is circulated to the Dispute Settlement Body in accordance with Article 4.11 of the DSU.

Pursuant to Article 4.11 of the Understanding on Rules and Procedures Governing the Settlement of Disputes (DSU), Brazil hereby notifies the Government of India, the Government of Australia, and the Dispute Settlement Body that, in the light of its substantial trade interest, it desires to be joined in the consultations requested by Australia in a communication circulated to WTO Members on 7 March 2019 (WT/DS580/1, G/L/1299/G/AG/GEN/152, G/SCM/D124/1), entitled "India – Measures Concerning Sugar and Sugarcane".

Brazil notes that the request for consultations relates to certain measures of support of Indian sugarcane and sugar producers. Brazil is the world's largest producer and exporter of sugar. Brazil has also presented its own request for consultations (DS579) to India, which converges significantly to the Australian request. Therefore, India's measures have a substantial impact on the production, sale and exportation of Brazilian sugar, giving Brazil a substantial trade interest in these consultations
