

Notice of Public Meeting in the WTO Dispute:
European Communities and Certain Member States – Measures Affecting Trade in Large Civil Aircraft (DS316)

The Office of the United States Trade Representative (“USTR”) wishes to inform the public of an opportunity to view a videotape of the public session of the second meeting of the Panel in the World Trade Organization (“WTO”) dispute *European Communities and Certain Member States – Measures Affecting Trade in Large Civil Aircraft* (DS316). That meeting is scheduled to begin on July 24, 2007 at the WTO in Geneva, Switzerland and conclude on July 26, 2007. At the public session, parties will make their opening statement and may pose questions or make comments on the other party's statement. The United States does not expect the Panel to pose any questions or make any comments during the public session.

At an appropriate time after the session is over, the Panel will confirm that no business confidential information (“BCI”) was referenced during the session and that no BCI will be disclosed in showing the videotape. After the Panel has done so the public viewing will occur. In the past, the public viewing has taken place the day after the conclusion of the meeting, so in this case the viewing may take place as early as July 27, 2007. The date of viewing will be posted on the USTR website once it is announced by the WTO. Viewing will be on the WTO premises in Geneva, Switzerland and is open to those individuals who apply and are accepted by the WTO.

USTR invites any person interested in viewing the public session to so inform USTR by e-mail at rsvp-DS316@ustr.eop.gov. USTR urges that the request be made as soon as possible and in any event no later than July 20. Requests will be forwarded to the WTO. Each request should indicate the person's full name, contact information (full address, phone, and e-mail), organization (if any), and nationality, and whether the person has made any other request to view the public session (such as a request directly to the WTO or to the other party to the dispute, the European Communities).

More details about the Aircraft dispute may be found at http://www.wto.org/english/tratop_e/dispu_e/cases_e/ds316_e.htm, and the U.S. submission to the panel may be found at http://www.ustr.gov/Trade_Agreements/Monitoring_Enforcement/Dispute_Settlement/WTO/Dispute_Settlement_Index_-_Pending.html.