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The following communication, dated 18 May 2007, is being circulated at the request of the Delegation of the United States.

DRAFT TEXT ON INTERNET PUBLICATION

1. In a previous communication (TN/TF/W/13; 1 February 2005) the United States submitted a proposal on "transparency and publication". Subsequently, Chile, Peru and the United States submitted a communication setting forth "elements of a commitment on internet publication" (TN/TF/W/89; 4 April 2006). In light of more recent discussions in the Negotiating Group, the United States now submits the following draft text for its consideration.

Textual Proposal:

Internet Publication

Each Member shall make available and keep current, on a publicly accessible Internet website:

- (a) a full and precise description of its customs procedures, including procedures for the appeal of customs determinations; and
 - (b) the forms and documents required for importation into or exportation from the territory of that Member.
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