Item 2. CHINA - MEASURES AFFECTING THE PROTECTION AND ENFORCEMENT OF INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY RIGHTS

A. Implementation of the recommendations of the DSB

1. China recalls that the DSB adopted on March 20, 2009 the Panel Report on China - Measures Affecting the Protection and Enforcement of Intellectual Property Rights (WT/DS362). After reaching an agreement with the United States, China had informed the DSB of its intentions to implement the recommendations and rulings of the DSB by letter on April 15, 2009 rather than at a special meeting of the DSB, and had requested this item be placed on the agenda.

2. China is pleased to reaffirm its intention to implement the recommendations and rulings of the DSB in this dispute in a manner that respects its WTO obligations. China will need a reasonable period of time in which to implement. China stands ready to consult with the United States regarding a reasonable period of time to implement, in accordance with Article 21.3(b) of the DSU.
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Thank you, Mr. Chairman. We thank China for its statement today, indicating that it intends to implement the DSB's recommendations and rulings in this dispute. We further thank China for its letter of April 15 that conveyed this same intention, and we are pleased to confirm that, as stated in that letter, we agreed that China would inform the DSB of its intentions by letter rather than at a special meeting of the DSB.

In light of the pressing problems of IPR infringement, we look forward to China moving promptly to bring its measures into compliance with its obligations.

We stand ready to discuss with China a reasonable period of time for its implementation, under Article 21.3(b) of the DSU.
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EC statement

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Mr. Chairman,

- As we have stated under item 1 of the agenda, the EC attaches great importance to the effective protection of IP rights.

- We hope that China will expeditiously implement the recommendations of the DSB.