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This volume contains a collection of the legal texts related to the settlement of disputes under the Agreement Establishing the World Trade Organization (WTO). To facilitate their use, the texts have been grouped by subject matter, and cross-references and a subject index have been added by the WTO Secretariat. These additions do not form part of the legal texts and therefore should not be used as sources of interpretation.


Furthermore, a repertoire of the dispute settlement practice under the GATT 1947 can be found in the *Guide to GATT Law and Practice*, Updated Sixth Edition published by the WTO Secretariat, ISBN 92-870-1143-5.
ABBREVIATIONS

In this publication the following abbreviations have been used:

ADP  Agreement on Implementation of Article VI of GATT 1994
Aircraft  Tokyo Round Agreement on Trade in Civil Aircraft
BISD  Basic Instruments and Selected Documents (published by GATT)
CPs  Contracting Parties
CTG  Council for Trade in Goods
CTS  Council for Trade in Services
Customs Valuation  Agreement on Implementation of Article VII of GATT 1994
Dairy  International Dairy Agreement
DSB  Dispute Settlement Body
DSU  Dispute Settlement Understanding
GATS  General Agreement on Trade in Services
GPA  Agreement on Government Procurement
Montreal Decision  Decision of 12 April 1989 on Dispute Settlement (BISD 36S/61) adopted by the CPs following the Mid-Term Review of the Uruguay Round Negotiations
PGE  Permanent Group of Experts
SCM  Agreement on Subsidies and Countervailing Measures
SPS  Agreement on the Application of Sanitary and Phytosanitary Measures
TBT  Agreement on Technical Barriers to Trade
1966 Decision  Decision on 5 April 1966 on Procedures under (GATT) Article XXIII (BISD 14S/18)