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## E.C.-U.S. AIRBUS DISPUTE

The E.C. Commission wishes to express its concern and deep regret at the news that the United States has decided to suspend the bilateral negotiations on the introduction of new international disciplines on trade in civil aircraft and to resume trade action against the European Community.

The Commission is very concerned that the U.S. decision will inevitably increase trade tensions and contribute to the climate of uncertainty which already reigns over the world aircraft market.

The Commission reaffirms its willingness to pursue a constructive dialogue with the United States Government in order to find a solution to this long-standing dispute. However, if the United States carries out its threat of pursuing trade action against the Community, its member states or its civil aircraft manufacturers, the Community will of course be obliged to react, with unpredictable consequences for the course of world trade.

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