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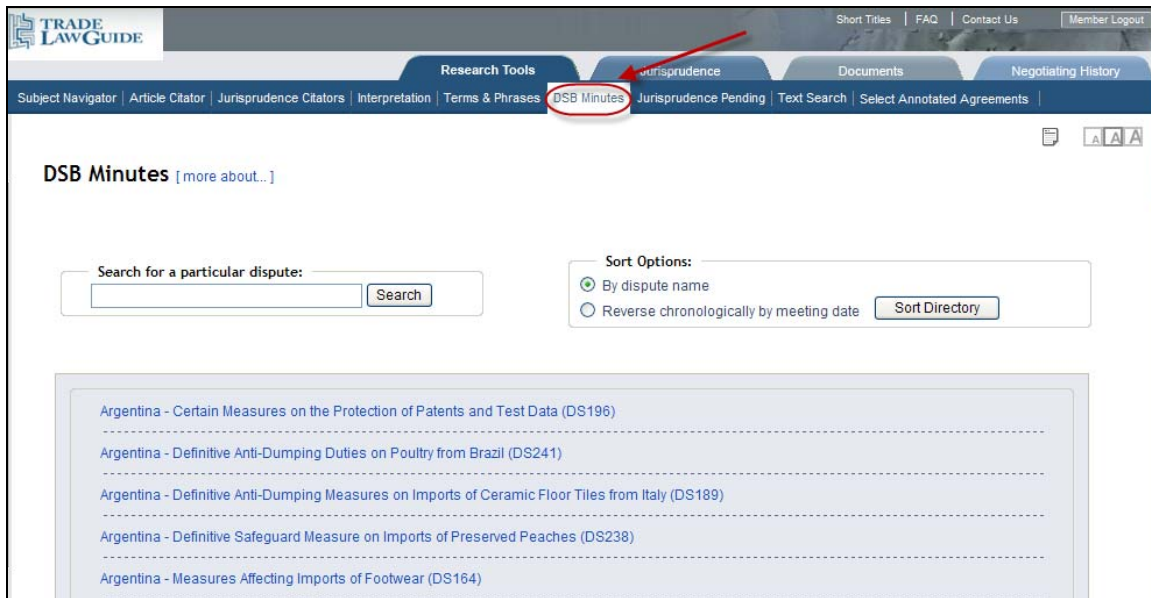
## 1. Overview

Dispute Settlement Body (DSB) minutes contain discussions of policy and other issues that arise in respect of WTO jurisprudence (reports, awards and decisions).

46. The representative of the European Communities said that the EC welcomed the conclusions and recommendations of the Report which related to long-standing difficulties encountered by European industry. The EC noted with satisfaction the Panel's ruling on Article X:3(a) of the GATT 1994, which recognized the importance of ensuring the confidentiality of business information in the context of customs procedures. The Report had also confirmed the fundamental principle of ensuring non-discriminatory taxation of imported goods, as provided for in Article III:2 of the GATT 1994. Respect for this principle was essential and Members, when making their decisions in the tax area, had to ensure that there was no discrimination against imported goods in any form. The EC wished to comment on one specific point of the Report, namely, the Panel's interpretation of the relationship between paragraph (d) of Article XX of the GATT 1994 and the chapeau of that provision. The EC believed that the measure to be examined under Article XX(d) was the actual measure in dispute in each case, and in particular its infringing provisions, and not the general design of the measure. In the EC's view that interpretation had been confirmed by the Appellate Body's Report in the case on Korea-Beef (WT/DS161).

If you intend to rely on a particular report, award or decision it is prudent to review the DSB minutes to determine if any policy or other issues have been expressed concerning that jurisprudence.

The DSB Minutes tool enables you to quickly determine the nature of any criticisms or policy concerns that were expressed to the DSB concerning jurisprudence that you intend to rely upon.



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Argentina - Definitive Anti-Dumping Measures on Imports of Ceramic Floor Tiles from Italy (DS189)

Argentina - Definitive Safeguard Measure on Imports of Preserved Peaches (DS238)

Argentina - Measures Affecting Imports of Footwear (DS164)

## 2. DSB Minutes Dataset

The DSB minutes are indexed in TradeLawGuide when they are made publicly available which is usually approximately two-three months after a meeting.

## 3. Sort Options

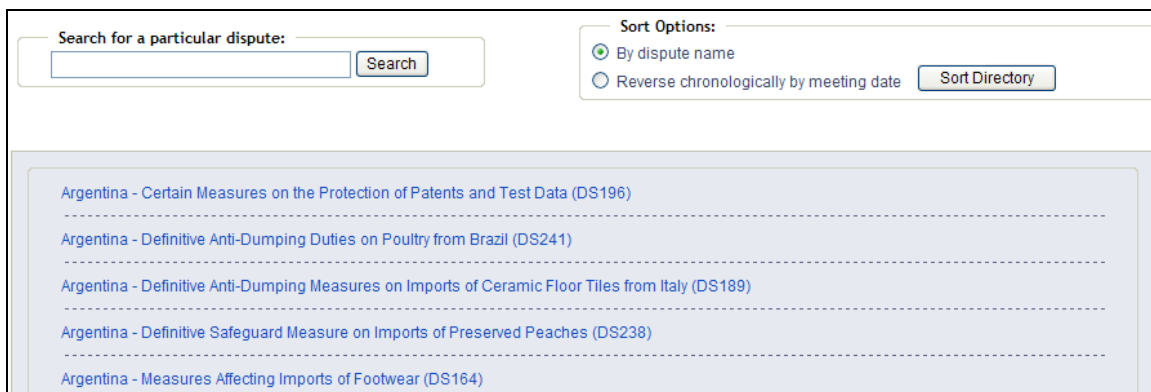
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### 3.1. By Dispute Name

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When you click on a name the DSB minutes for that dispute will be displayed in reverse chronological order.

**Argentina - Measures Affecting Imports of Footwear, Textiles, Apparel and Other Items (DS56)**

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- [Dispute Settlement Body, Minutes of Meeting Held on 28 April 1999](#)
- [Dispute Settlement Body, Minutes of Meeting Held on 19 March 1999](#)
- [Dispute Settlement Body, Minutes of Meeting Held on 17 February 1999](#)
- [Dispute Settlement Body, Minutes of Meeting Held on 22 June 1998](#)
- [Dispute Settlement Body, Minutes of Meeting Held on 22 April 1998](#)
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- [Dispute Settlement Body, Minutes of Meeting Held on 22 January 1997](#)

When you click on the minutes of a meeting, the part of the minutes addressing the dispute at issue is displayed.

Dispute Settlement Body, Minutes of Meeting Held on 22 April 1998  
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2. Argentina - Measures affecting imports of footwear, textiles, apparel and other items  
- Report of the Appellate Body (WT/DS56/AB/R and Corr.1)  
and Report of the Panel (WT/DS56/R)

The Chairman drew attention to the communication from the Appellate Body contained in document WT/DS56/10 transmitting the Appellate Body Report in "Argentina - Measures Affecting Imports of Footwear, Textiles, Apparel and Other Items", which had been circulated in document WT/DS56/AB/R and Corr.1 in accordance with Article 17.5 of the DSU. He reminded delegations that in accordance with the Decision on Procedures for the Circulation and Derestriction of WTO documents contained in WT/L/160/Rev.1, the Appellate Body Report and the Panel Report had been circulated as unrestricted documents. He recalled that pursuant to Article 17.14 of the DSU "An Appellate Body report shall be adopted by the DSB and unconditionally accepted by the parties to the dispute unless the DSB decides by consensus not to adopt the Appellate Body report within 30 days following its circulation to the Members. This adoption procedure is without prejudice to the right of Members to express their views on an Appellate Body report".

The representative of the United States said that her country had requested the adoption of the Panel and the Appellate Body Reports on this matter. The United States had pursued this dispute focusing on two market access problems with regard to Argentina's trade regime. The Panel and the Appellate Body had found that these measures were inconsistent with Argentina's GATT obligations. In this case, Argentina had argued that even if the statistical tax were inconsistent with Article VIII of GATT 1994, the IMF had authorized this tax. Both the Panel and the Appellate Body had rejected this defence. They had found that Argentina had simply not shown evidence that demonstrated that the IMF had approved this tax. They had also noted that the various elements concerning the

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Just click on the title for the minutes of a meeting and the document will be displayed (note that the links are to the individual disputes referred to in the minutes).

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#### 4. Search

To identify the minutes for a particular dispute you can browse the list or use the search tool.

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Argentina - Measures Affecting the Export of Bovine Hides and the Import of Finished Leather (DS155)

Australia - Subsidies Provided to Producers and Exporters of Automotive Leather (DS106)

Australia - Subsidies Provided to Producers and Exporters of Automotive Leather (DS126)