

**Committee on Sanitary and Phytosanitary Measures**

**QUESTIONNAIRE ON TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE**

Submission by Paraguay

Addendum

<b>Technical assistance requirements:</b>					
	<b>Information</b>	<b>Training</b>	<b>Infrastructure (Hard and/or Soft)</b>	<b>Specific Concerns</b>	<b>Other</b>
<b>Rights, obligations and practical operation of the SPS Agreement<sup>1</sup></b>	Seminars on the WTO SPS Agreement for public- and private-sector officials.	Enquiry and notification points for sanitary and phytosanitary measures.	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Establishment and operation of enquiry and notification points for sanitary and phytosanitary measures.</li> <li>2. Provision of computer equipment (multimedia and audiovisual).</li> </ol>		
<b>Food safety<sup>2,3</sup></b>	Seminars and workshops on Codex standards on unprocessed and semi-processed products.	Techniques and procedures for analyzing residues in products of animal and plant origin.	Provision of equipment, standards and reagents for residue laboratories.		
<b>Animal health<sup>2</sup></b>	Conferences, seminars and workshops on: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. The SPS Agreement.</li> <li>2. Equivalence and appropriate level of protection.</li> <li>3. Animal health in relation to the SPS Agreement, the Protocol on Biosafety, the Codex and the Office International des Epizooties (OIE).</li> </ol>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Disease diagnosis</li> <li>2. Epidemiological monitoring</li> <li>3. Biologics control</li> <li>4. Regionalization guidelines and procedures</li> <li>5. Guidelines and procedures for determining equivalence</li> <li>6. Risk assessment.</li> </ol>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Inspection and quarantine facilities at entry points.</li> <li>2. Communications equipment for regional office / checkpoint network.</li> <li>3. Computer and audiovisual equipment.</li> </ol>		
<b>Plant health<sup>3</sup></b>	Conferences, seminars and workshops on: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Principles of plant quarantine as related to international trade;</li> <li>2. Equivalence and appropriate level of protection.</li> <li>3. Design, set-up and development of a plant quarantine pest database.</li> <li>4. Plant health as related to the Cartagena Protocol on Biosafety, the Convention on Biological Diversity and the Codex Alimentarius.</li> <li>5. Establishment of an information exchange system (creation of local, national and international</li> </ol>	Training on: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Pest risk assessment.</li> <li>2. Procedures for the determination and application of equivalence.</li> <li>3. Regionalization guidelines and procedures</li> <li>4. Monitoring and inspection systems for the purpose of pest detection.</li> <li>5. Inspection, sampling and test methods and relevant treatment procedures.</li> <li>6. Production of antisera for detected viral infections.</li> <li>7. Handling and control of GMOs and GM products and by-products.</li> </ol>	A. HARD INFRASTRUCTURE <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Building, vehicle and equipment rehabilitation for main entry points.</li> <li>2. Facilities for quarantine services.</li> <li>3. Establishment of a biotechnology laboratory with disease diagnosis facilities.</li> </ol>		

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	networks).				
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ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

*(Such information could include, inter alia, a more detailed description of the technical assistance required, any relevant background information on the reasons for the request, the possibility of using a regional approach to the provision of the requested assistance and the scope for a coordinated approach among relevant international organizations.)*

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