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TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE – RESPONSE TO THE QUESTIONNAIRE

Submission by Uganda

Addendum

Technical assistance <u>requirements</u>:					
	Information	Training	Infrastructure: (Hard and/or Soft)	Specific concern	Other
Rights, obligations and practical operation of the SPS Agreement	<p>Conferences, seminars and workshops:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Introduction to the WTO and the international trading systems - Presentation of the SPS Agreement and related issues 	<p>Specific understanding of the SPS agreement by the technical people:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Implementation of transparency - Provisions, applications of risk analysis - Determination of appropriate level of protection - Recognition of equivalence - Regionalization - WTO dispute settlement procedure and analysis of SPS related trade disputes 		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Limited awareness of SPS agreement nationally at technical, policy public and private sector levels - Limited ability to organize awareness seminars - Limited capacity to attend international conferences - Limited technical persons - Facilitation of a trained person to train others 	
Food safety					
Animal health					

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Plant health	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Up dating of national regulatory framework - Absence of regulations despite the presence of laws - Pest lists and distribution maps - Creation of national data for other countries import's requirement 	Training of inspectors on risk assessment, inspection, quarantine diagnostics and certification procedures	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Capacity building including building of a central and regional referral plant quarantine diagnostic laboratories - Equipment, computers, CD-ROMs and databases 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Limited pest identifiers - Training in risk analysis and diagnosis techniques - Upgrading of the Central Post Entry Phytosanitary Laboratory - Establishing satellite laboratories at main entry points 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Designing cost recovery mechanisms for sustainability - Processing and storage facilities for laboratory specimens
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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 organisations.)
