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## AUSTRALIA – QUARANTINE REGIME FOR IMPORTS

### Notification of Mutually Agreed Solution

The following communication, dated 9 March 2007, from the delegation of Australia and the delegation of the European Communities to the Chairman of the Dispute Settlement Body, is circulated pursuant to Article 3.6 of the DSU.

The European Communities and the Government of Australia wish to notify the Dispute Settlement Body in accordance with Article 3.6 of the *Understanding on Rules and Procedures Governing the Settlement of Disputes* that they have reached a mutually agreed solution to the matters raised by the European Communities in WT/DS287/7/Rev.1 dated 14 October 2003

In this context, the European Communities and the Government of Australia have agreed to a solution to address the issues identified by the EC, whilst respecting the appropriate level of protection of Australia and consistent with Australia's SPS legislation and import policy development process. This solution includes enhanced transparency of the quarantine regime of Australia, principles of treatment for market access applications from the European Communities, and continued expert discussions on scientific aspects associated with trade in pig meat and chicken meat.

(signed)  
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