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Notifying Member/Notification/ Date of Circulation	Region/Country affected (as identified)	Product covered	Keywords	Deadline for submission of comments
Costa Rica G/SPS/N/CRI/59 1 February 2008	Trading partners	All animals and products and by-products of animal origin requiring official tests and trials	Animal diseases Animal health Food safety Human health	60 days after circulation of the notification
Philippines G/SPS/N/PHL/124/Add.2 1 February 2008	Virginia, United States	Domestic and wild birds and their products including poultry meat, day-old chicks and semen	Animal diseases Avian Influenza Food safety Regionalization Zoonoses Withdrawal of the measure	Not applicable
United States G/SPS/N/USA/1343/Add.1 1 February 2008	Any US trade partners	Fluopicolide in fruits and vegetables	Food safety Maximum residue limits (MRLs) Pesticides	Objections and requests for hearings must be received on or before 31 March 2008
United States G/SPS/N/USA/1764 1 February 2008	Any US trade partners	Bacillus thuringiensis modified Cry1Ab protein in all crops	Food safety Pesticides Tolerance exemption Genetically modified organisms	Comments must be received on or before 29 February 2008.
New Zealand G/SPS/N/NZL/392 4 February 2008	Australia	Crocodilia and Crocodilia hatching eggs	Animal health Human health Territory protection	12 March 2008
Albania G/SPS/N/ALB/50 – EMRG 5 February 2008	Province of West Bengal, province of Birbhum and Dakshin Dinajpur (India)	Live fowls (domestic and wild), hatching eggs and eggs for human consumption, live fowls semen, live fowls meat, products originating from fowls destined for poultry and animal feed; for industrial and agricultural uses, and pathological material and biological products	Animal diseases Animal health Avian Influenza Food safety Human health Regionalization Zoonoses	Not applicable

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Albania G/SPS/N/ALB/51 - EMRG 5 February 2008	Province of Mazandaran (Iran)	Live fowls (domestic and wild), fledges (24 hour-old birds), decorative fowls (regardless of origin until further notice), hatching eggs and eggs for human consumption, live fowls semen, live fowls meat, products originating from fowls destined for fowl and animal feed; for industrial and agricultural uses, and pathological material and biological products	Animal diseases Animal health Avian Influenza Food safety Human health Regionalization Zoonoses	Not applicable
Albania G/SPS/N/ALB/52 - EMRG 5 February 2008	Province of Crimean, Krasnogvardeisk region (Ukraine)	Live fowls (domestic and wild), fledges (24 hour-old birds), decorative fowls (regardless of origin), hatching eggs and eggs for human consumption, live fowls semen, live fowls meat, products originating from fowls destined for fowl and animal feed; for industrial and agricultural uses, and pathological material and biological products	Animal diseases Animal health Avian Influenza Food safety Human health Regionalization Zoonoses	Not applicable
Albania G/SPS/N/ALB/53 – EMRG 5 February 2008	Province of Zonguldak, Caycuma region (Turkey)	Live fowls (domestic and wild), fledges (24 hour-old birds), decorative fowls (regardless of origin), hatching eggs and eggs for human consumption, live fowls semen, live fowls meat, products originating from fowls destined for fowl and animal feed; for industrial and agricultural uses, and pathological material and biological products.	Animal diseases Animal health Avian Influenza Food safety Human health Regionalization Zoonoses	Not applicable
Canada G/SPS/N/CAN/157/Rev.19 - EMRG 5 February 2008	European Communities, Norway, Switzerland, United States	All plants for planting and non propagative plant parts that are hosts of the pathogen <i>Phytophthora ramorum</i> . Propagative material, including nursery stock, of regulated species; wood products with bark of regulated species; non-propagative material, including branches, wreaths, greenery, cuttings and prunings of regulated species; soil and growing media (ICS: 65.020)	Plant diseases Plant health	Not applicable

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European Communities G/SPS/N/EEC/190/Add.1 5 February 2008	EC member States and third countries exporting these products to the European Communities	Live bovine, swine, ovine and caprine animals (CN 0102 to 0104 and 0106). Meat and edible meat offal (CN 0201 to 0206). Minced meat of bovine, ovine and caprine (CN 020230, 020329, 020423, 0204539, 0204579) as such or in meat preparations under CN position 1606. Game meat (subheading CN 0208-90). (See certificates for more details on Combined Nomenclature)	Animal health	n/a
European Communities G/SPS/N/EEC/323 5 February 2008	EC member States and third countries exporting these products to the European Communities	Live bovine, ovine, caprine, porcine animals and live non domestic ruminants (HS Codes 0102 to 0104 and 0106); Meat and edible meat offal from bovine, ovine, caprine, porcine and equines animals (HS Codes 0201 to 0206); Minced meat of bovine, ovine and caprine animals (HS Codes 020230, 020329, 020423, 0204539 and 0204579); Game meat from farmed suidae and other cloven-hoofed animals, and from wild suidae, other cloven-hoofed animals and solipeds (Game meat subheading HS Codes 0208-90) and Certain Artiodactylae and Proboscidae animals. More details of the HS Codes are provided in the certificates.	Animal health Food safety Human health Territory protection	Comments on errors in countries or territory designations, commodity designations etc would be welcomed anytime.
United States G/SPS/N/USA/1765 5 February 2008	All trading partners	Meat and poultry products	Bacteria Food safety Salmonella	27 February 2008
Albania G/SPS/N/ALB/54 - EMRG 6 February 2008	Province of ChumSaeng, location Nakhon Sawan (Thailand)	Live fowls (domestic and wild fowls), fledges (24 hours old birds), decorative fowls regardless of origin, hatching eggs and eggs for human consumption, live fowls semen, live fowls meat, products originating from fowls intended to fowl and animal feed, for industrial and agricultural uses, pathologic material and biologic products originating from fowls.	Animal diseases Animal health Avian Influenza Food safety Human health Regionalization Zoonoses	Not applicable
Korea, Republic of G/SPS/N/KOR/272 6 February 2008	All countries	Ethyl carbamate in wine	Beverages Contaminants Food safety	60 days after circulation of the notification
Colombia G/SPS/N/COL/123/Add.2 11 February 2008	Trading partners	Dietary supplements	Food safety Adoption/Entry into force of a regulation	Not applicable

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United States G/SPS/N/USA/1614/Add.2 11 February 2008	Any US trade partners	2,4-D (2,4-dichlorophenoxyacetic acid) in fruits	Adoption/Entry into force of regulation Food safety Human health Plant protection Maximum residue limits (MRLs) Pesticides	7 April 2008
United States G/SPS/N/USA/1766 11 February 2008	Any US trade partners	Bensulide in cucurbit, leafy vegetable, onion, broccoli, cabbage, brussels sprouts	Food safety Human health Plant health Maximum residue limits (MRLs) Pesticides	7 April 2008
India G/SPS/N/IND/53 13 February 2008	Trading partner countries listed in the Regulation, exporting plants and plant materials to India	Plants and plant materials and other regulated articles as per plant quarantine (Regulation of Import into India) Order, 2003 and its amendments	Pests Plant diseases Plant health Territory protection	3 March 2008
India G/SPS/N/IND/54 13 February 2008	All trading partners exporting food additives to India and those producing food additives for storage or sell in India	Food products with food additives	Food additives Food safety	28 February 2008
Viet Nam G/SPS/N/VNM/4 13 February 2008	Not stated.	Draft No. 10: Regulations on management of hygien and safety of food products originated from gene-modified organisms	Food safety Genetically modified organisms	28 March 2008

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Brazil G/SPS/N/BRA/268/Add.1 15 February 2008	All countries	<i>Ceratitis capitata</i> and <i>Anastrepha fratecurlus</i> in papaya (Carica papaya)	Adoption/Entry into force of regulation Food safety Fruit fly Pests	Not applicable
Brazil G/SPS/N/BRA/386 15 February 2008	Argentina	<i>Pinus taeda</i>	Adoption/Entry into force of regulation Plant health Territory protection	Not applicable
India G/SPS/N/IND/46/Add.5 - EMRG 15 February 2008	Trading partners exporting these products to India	Domestic and wild birds, live poultry and live pig, their products and by-products	Animal diseases Animal health Avian Influenza Food safety Zoonoses Withdrawal of the measure	Not applicable
Thailand G/SPS/N/THA/166 15 February 2008	All countries (including domestically produced foods)	General foods (ICS 67.040)	Bacteria Food safety	60 days after circulation of the notificatin
United States G/SPS/N/USA/1290/Add.2 15 February 2008	Any US trade partners	Desmedipham in sugar	Food safety Human health Plant health Maximum residue limits (MRLs) Pesticides	7 April 2008
United States G/SPS/N/USA/1609/Add.2 15 February 2008	Any US trade partners	DCPA in brassica	Food safety Human health Animal health Plant health Maximum residue limits (MRLs) Pesticides	7 April 2008

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United States G/SPS/N/USA/1767 15 February 2008	Any US trade partners	Fenamiphos in peanut, eggplant, brussels sprout, cotton, citrus, goat, cow, pig, sheep, horse, cherry	Food safety Plant health Human health Maximum residue limits (MRLs) Pesticides	7 April 2008
United States G/SPS/N/USA/1768 15 February 2008	Any US trade partners	Tetrachlorvinphos in cow, pig, sheep, horse, goat, poultry	Food safety Human health Plant health Maximum residue limits (MRLs) Pesticides	7 April 2008
United States G/SPS/N/USA/1769 15 February 2008	Any US trade partners	Terbufos in corn, sorghum	Food safety Human health Animal health Plant health Maximum residue limits (MRLs) Pesticides	7 April 2008
United States G/SPS/N/USA/1770 15 February 2008	Any US trade partners	Phorate in corn, bean, sugarcane, soybean, sorghum, potato, hop, wheat, coffee	Food safety Human health Plant health Maximum residue limits (MRLs) Pesticides	7 April 2008
United States G/SPS/N/USA/1771 15 February 2008	Any US trade partners	Clothianidin in sugar beets	Adoption/Entry into force of regulation Food safety Human health Plant health Maximum residue limits (MRLs) Pesticides	Objections and requests for hearings must be received on or before 7 April 2008.

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United States G/SPS/N/USA/1772 15 February 2008	Any US trade partners	Dimethoate in apple, cabbage, collards, grape, lentil, spinach, lettuce, turnip, sorghum, alfalfa, corn, soybean, cherry, wheat	Food safety Human health Plant health Maximum residue limits (MRLs) Pesticides	7 April 2008
Japan G/SPS/N/JPN/208 20 February 2008	All countries	Cadmium and lead in glass (HS Code: 70.13), ceramics (HS Code: 69.11, 69.12) or enamelled (HS Code: 73.23) equipment, dinnerware and containers for food use	Food safety Packaging	60 days after circulation of the notification
United States G/SPS/N/USA/1233/Add.2 20 February 2008	Any US trade partners	Boscalid in berries, vegetables and sugar	Food safety Human health Plant health Maximum residue limits (MRLs) Pesticides	14 March 2008
United States G/SPS/N/USA/1773 20 February 2008	Any US trade partners	Metconazole in beet, barley, oat, rye, soybean, triticale, wheat, stone fruit, tree nuts, pistachio, peanut	Food safety Human health Plant health Maximum residue limits (MRLs) Pesticides	14 March 2008
United States G/SPS/N/USA/1774 20 February 2008	Any US trade partners	Forchlorfenuron (KT-30) in almond, cherry, fig, pear, pistachio, plum/prune	Food safety Human health Plant health Maximum residue limits (MRLs) Pesticides	14 March 2008
United States G/SPS/N/USA/1775 20 February 2008	Any US trade partners	Peroxyacetic acid in all agricultural commodities	Food safety Human health Plant health Pesticides Tolerance exemption	14 March 2008

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United States G/SPS/N/USA/1776 20 February 2008	Any US trade partners	Homobrassinolide in food commodities	Food safety Human health Animal health Plant health Pesticides Tolerance exemption	14 March 2008
Albania G/SPS/N/ALB/55 - EMRG 21 February 2008	Hazafon region (Israel)	Meat, meat products, milk products	Animal diseases Animal health Food safety Human health Foot and mouth disease Regionalization Zoonoses	Not applicable
Albania G/SPS/N/ALB/56 – EMRG 21 February 2008	Lebanon	Meat, meat products, milk products	Animal diseases Animal health Food safety Human health Foot and mouth disease Regionalization	Not applicable
Albania G/SPS/N/ALB/57 - EMRG 22 February 2008	province of Gabala, Nidzh region (Azerbaijan)	All live domestic and wild pigs, semen of domestic and wild pigs, fresh meat of domestic and wild pigs, pig products destined for animal feed, pathologic materials and the biological pig products	Animal diseases Animal health Classical Swine Fever Food safety Regionalization	Not applicable
Brazil G/SPS/N/BRA/115/Add.15 22 February 2008	All countries	<i>Mycosphaerella fijensis</i>	Adoption/Entry into force of regulation Fungi Pests Plant health Regionalization	Not applicable

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Brazil G/SPS/N/BRA/387 22 February 2008	Germany	<i>Impatiens</i> spp.	Plant health Territory protection	Not Applicable. The requirements have been adopted after consultation with Germany.
Oman G/SPS/N/OMN/26 22 February 2008	All trading partners	Fortification of wheat flour, edible salt, cooking vegetable oils ant fats	Food additives Food safety Human health	1 April 2008
Chinese Taipei G/SPS/N/TPKM/123/Add.1 22 February 2008	Australia (excluding Riverland and Tasmania), Thailand and the Netherlands	Plants and plant products	Adoption/Entry into force of regulation Fruit fly Nematode Pests Plant health Quarantine measures	Not applicable
Chinese Taipei G/SPS/N/TPKM/130 22 February 2008	All trading partners	Plants or plant products	Pests Plant health Quarantine measures Risk assessment	Not applicable
Chinese Taipei G/SPS/N/TPKM/131 22 February 2008	Countries exporting these products concerned to Chinese Taipei	Fruits, vegetables, tea and cereals	Food safety Maximum residue limits (MRLs) Pesticides	7 April 2008
United States G/SPS/N/USA/1300/Add.2 25 February 2008	All trade partners	Mesotrione in various commodities	Adoption/Entry into force of regulation Food safety Human health Plant health Maximum residue limits (MRLs) Pesticides	Objections and requests for hearings must be received on or before 21 April 2008.

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United States G/SPS/N/USA/1632/Add.1 25 February 2008	Any US trade partners	Carfentrazone-ethyl in sorghum, grain, rice, soybean, millet, barley, oat, rye, wheat, aspirated grain fractions, hog, sugarcane, poultry	Adoption/Entry into force of regulation Food safety Human health Plant health Maximum residue limits (MRLs) Pesticides	Objections and requests for hearings must be received on or before 21 April 2008.
Ecuador G/SPS/N/ECU/35 26 February 2008	France	Poultry for breeding, fertile eggs, and products, by-products and derivatives of avian origin	Adoption/Entry into force of regulation Animal diseases Animal health Avian Influenza Food safety Human health Withdrawal of the measure Zoonoses	Not applicable
Ecuador G/SPS/N/ECU/36 26 February 2008	Not specified	Mangoes (<i>Mangifera indica</i>)	Adoption/Entry into force of regulation Human health Pests Plant health Territory protection	Not applicable
Ecuador G/SPS/N/ECU/37 26 February 2008	Not specified	Plants, plant products and commodities	Adoption/Entry into force of regulation Human health Pests Plant health Territory protection	Not applicable

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United States G/SPS/N/USA/1539/Add.1 26 February 2008	Any US trade partners	Vitamin E, d-alpha tocopherol, dl-alpha tocopherol, d-alpha tocopheryl acetate and dl-alpha tocopheryl acetate in agricultural commodities	Adoption/Entry into force of regulation Food safety Human health Plant health Pesticides Tolerance exemption	Objections and requests for hearings must be received on or before 21 April 2008
United States G/SPS/N/USA/1777 26 February 2008	Any US trade partners	1-propanesulfonic acid, 2-methyl-2, monosodium salt, polymer with ethanol and ethenyl acetate	Adoption/Entry into force of regulation Food safety Human health Plant health Pesticides Tolerance exemption	Objections and requests for hearings must be received on or before 21 April 2008.
Albania G/SPS/N/ALB/58 - EMRG 27 February 2008	Province of Luangnamtha, location Namme (Lao)	Live fowls (domestic and wild fowls),fledges (24's hours birds),decorative fowls regardless of origin, hatching eggs and eggs for human consume, semen of live fowls and wild, meat of the wild and domestic fowl, products originating from fowls intended to fowls feed and animals as well as those for industrial and agricultural use, pathologic material and biologic products originating from fowls	Animal diseases Animal health Avian Influenza Food safety Human health Regionalization Zoonoses	Not applicable
European Communities G/SPS/N/EEC/324 - EMRG 27 February 2008	EC member States and third countries exporting these products to the European Communities	Isoprene [FL-01.049 (2-methyl-1,3-butadiene)] and food products containing this flavouring substance (ICS 67.220.20)	Food additives Food safety	Not applicable
Korea, Republic of G/SPS/N/KOR/273 27 February 2008	Any trading partners	Propyl- <i>p</i> -hydroxybenzoate	Food additives Food safety	2 April 2008

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Qatar G/SPS/N/QAT/1 27 February 2008	Bahrain, Kuwait, Oman, Qatar, Saudi Arabia and the United Arab Emirates	Certain pulses (ICS: 67.060)	Food safety	60 days after circulation of the notification
United States G/SPS/N/USA/1778 27 February 2008	Trading partners	Foods containing barley betafiber for food labelling health claims. Barley betafiber is the ethanol precipitated soluble fraction of cellulase and alpha-amylase hydrolyzed whole grain barley. Barley betafiber is produced by hydrolysis of whole grain barley flour, with a cellulase and alpha-amylase enzyme preparation, to produce a clear aqueous extract that contains mainly partially hydrolyzed beta-glucan and substantially hydrolyzed starch. The soluble, partially hydrolyzed beta-glucan is separated from the insoluble material by centrifugation, and after removal of the insoluble material, the partially hydrolyzed beta-glucan soluble fiber is separated from the other soluble compounds by precipitation with ethanol. The product is then dried, milled and sifted. Barley betafiber shall have a beta-glucan soluble fiber content of at least 70 percent on a dry weight basis. Whole grain barley flour is as defined in the Barley Glossary (AACC Method 55-99), published in Approved Methods of the American Association of Cereal Chemists, 10th ed. (2000) pages 1 and 2.	Food safety Labelling	12 May 2008
Qatar G/SPS/N/QAT/2 28 February 2008	Bahrain, Kuwait, Oman, Qatar, Saudi Arabia and the United Arab Emirates	Oats (ICS: 67.060)	Food safety	60 days aftercirculation of the notification
Argentina G/SPS/N/ARG/102/Add.1 29 February 2008	Trading partners	Live land snails	Adoption/Entry into force of regulation Food safety Human health Animal health	Not applicable

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Colombia G/SPS/N/COL/98/Add.4 29 February 2008	Trading partners	Dietary supplements	Food safety Human health Labelling Pharmaceutical products	n/a
European Communities G/SPS/N/EEC/322/Add.1 29 February 2008	EC member States and third countries exporting these products to the European Communities	Cereals, foodstuffs of animal origin and certain products of plant origin, including fruit and vegetables	Adoption/Entry into force of regulation Food safety Plant health Maximum residue limits (MRLs) Pesticides	Not applicable

n.a. = not available, not identified