



Committee on Sanitary and Phytosanitary Measures

SUMMARY OF THE MEETING OF 21-22 MARCH 2019

NOTE BY THE SECRETARIAT¹

*Corrigendum**

Paragraph 3.82. of document G/SPS/R/94 should read as follows:

3.82. China reiterated its concerns over EU Commission Decisions 2002/994/EC, 2004/621/EC and 2008/463/EC, which required that each consignment of poultry meat, casings, aquaculture fishery products and crayfish be tested for chloramphenicol, nitrofurans, malachite green, crystal violet and their metabolites before being exported from China to the EU market. China stated that it had been implementing strict inspection and quarantine procedures for animal products exported to the EU market for more than 17 years, and that the European Union had recognized China's food safety and residue regulatory systems when revising Directive 2002/994/EC. China further explained that the European Union had committed to expediting the cancellation of the additional certificate for the food of animal origin exported from China to Europe. In this context, an EU report on China's food safety and residue regulatory systems had been submitted to the EU member States for comments, and China had provided feedback to the European Union in January 2019. China urged the European Union to apply the principle of equivalence and remove additional testing requirements for the products at issue.

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