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Status Report by the European Communities

Addendum

The following communication, dated 12 June 2008, from the delegation of the European Communities to the Chairman of the Dispute Settlement Body, is circulated pursuant to Article 21.6 of the DSU.

Status Report Regarding Implementation of the DSB Recommendations and Rulings in the Dispute European Communities – Measures Affecting the Approval and Marketing of Biotech Products (WT/DS291, WT/DS292, WT/DS293)

Since the last status report by the European Communities, the Austrian measures on import and processing of GMO maize MON810 and T-25, which were found WTO incompatible by the panel, have been formally removed by the Austrian authorities.

The European Communities and the three complainants have continued to be engaged in constructive discussions with the goal of resolving this dispute and related issues.

In order to allow this dialogue to continue, Argentina has agreed to further extend the reasonable period of time for implementation of the WTO panel report until 12 August 2008. Further discussions between the United States and the European Communities are scheduled to take place on 18 and 19 June 2008.
