

AGREEMENT ON IMPORT LICENSING PROCEDURES

Notification under Article 5

MOLDOVA

The following communication, dated 15 October 2008, is being circulated at the request of the Delegation of Moldova.

Pursuant to Article 5.1-5.4 of the Agreement on Import Licensing Procedures, we hereby notify the new Government Decision No. 1363 of 29 November 2006 regarding the Procedures for the Issuance of Authorizations to Import Meat, Edible Offal, Meat Products (Commodities) and Dairy Products.¹

(a) List of products subject to licensing procedures

Meat, edible offal, meat products (commodities) and dairy products.

(b) Contact point for information on eligibility

Authorizations to import meat, edible offal, meat products (commodities) and dairy products shall be issued by the Special Committee.

(c) Administrative body(ies) for submission of applications

An application in the established format, signed by the entity's CEO or authorized representative, must be submitted to the Special Committee.

(d) Date and name of publication where import licensing procedures are published

Government Decision No. 1363 of 29 November 2006 regarding the Procedures for the Issuance of Authorizations to Import Meat, Edible Offal, Meat Products (Commodities) and Dairy Products, *Monitorul Oficial (Official Gazette) No. 184-185/1454 of 1 December 2006*.

(e) Indication of whether the licensing procedure is automatic or non-automatic according to definitions contained in Articles 2 and 3

The procedure is non-automatic.

¹ The text of the Decision is available for consultation in the WTO Secretariat, Market Access Division (in English only, unofficial translation).

- (f) In the case of automatic import licensing procedures, their administrative purpose

Non applicable.

- (g) In the case of non-automatic import licensing procedures, indication of the measure being implemented through the licensing procedure

The issue of authorization to import meat, edible offal, meat products (commodities) and dairy products aims to establish a pre-release verification mechanism to monitor and control imports of such goods.

- (h) Expected duration of the licensing procedure if this can be estimated with some probability, and if not, reason why this information cannot be provided

The expected duration of the procedure is consistent with Article 3.5(f) of the Agreement on Import Licensing Procedures.
