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Committee on Sanitary and Phytosanitary Measures

SUMMARY OF THE MEETING HELD ON 19-21 MARCH 2002

Note by the Secretariat

Corrigendum

The following corrections are made to the summary report of the Twenty-Third Meeting of the Committee on Sanitary and Phytosanitary Measures held on 19-21 March 2002.

The text of paragraph 25 is amended to read as follows:

25. The representative of China explained that Medfly and South American fruit fly had not been reported in China and that effective measures had to be taken to prevent entry given their destructiveness. A risk assessment by Chinese experts had concluded that the risk of introducing these pests from Argentina was high. China was requesting Argentina to provide data on the efficacy of cold treatment against fruit flies and to demonstrate that it could provide an equivalent level of protection in comparison with importing from pest-free areas. He noted that establishing pest-free places of production was not practicable for all pests, as recognized by the IPPC standard, and that countries with advanced research on fruit fly control and quarantine did not accept importation from places of production where the pest had previously been present, even if they were currently pest-free. China was open to bilateral technical discussions and joint research with Argentina on this issue.
