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**QUESTIONS FROM THE EUROPEAN UNION TO
THE PLURINATIONAL STATE OF BOLIVIA**

The following communication, dated 16 November 2016, is being circulated at the request of the delegation of the European Union.

As requested by Bolivia, the EU would like to submit in writing the questions raised during the last meeting of the Import Licensing Committee on Bolivia's notifications.

Reference is done to:

1. the notifications circulated as documents G/LIC/N/1/BOL/3 and G/LIC/N/2/BOL/2, relating to the measures put in place with the Supreme decree N. 2752/2016 which requires a prior authorization for importing certain goods that entered into force in July 2016;
2. the notification circulated as document G/LIC/N/1/BOL/4, relating to the measures put in place with Supreme Decree 2865/2016 which requires a prior authorization for importing certain goods, notably certain dry-cleaning machines;
3. the notification circulated as document G/LIC/N/2/BOL/1, relating to the measures put in place with the Supreme decree N. 2600/2015 requiring a prior authorization importation of gaming machines.

In the EU's view, the above-mentioned notifications do not contain sufficient explanations of the procedures put in place by Bolivia. Furthermore, the EU notes also that Bolivia is not submitting its annual import licencing notification since 2000.

For these reasons, the EU would like to ask Bolivia to present further details on the procedures for the submission of the applications, as established in each Supreme decree above mentioned. The EU would also like to ask Bolivia to clarify the purpose, and the intended length of these measures.
