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**STRENGTHENING OF SANITARY CONTROL FOR FISHERY AND AQUACULTURE PRODUCTS  
THROUGH THE RISK-BASED AUDIT PROCESS MODEL**

COMMUNICATION FROM PERU

The following communication, received on 6 November 2020, is being circulated at the request of the delegation of Peru.

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1. As part of the implementation of the Agreement on the Application of Sanitary and Phytosanitary Measures and the Trade Facilitation Agreement, the National Fisheries Health Service of Peru (SANIPES), as the health authority responsible for hydrobiological resources and products, hereby informs WTO Members that it has strengthened sanitary control for fishery and aquaculture products through the implementation of a risk-based audit process model.
  2. The classification of facilities based on risk control in the processing of fishery and aquaculture products ensures compliance with the sanitary requirements laid down by our trading partners' competent authorities.
  3. This model covers aspects such as the control of processing plants through ensuring compliance with the hazard analysis and critical control point (HACCP) system, good manufacturing practices, hygiene and sanitation protocols, and traceability. Support will be provided through technological solutions allowing for the sharing, recording and analysis of information provided by those involved with the model, as well as the control of SANIPES processes and immediate certification.
  4. Lastly, it is important to mention that this model promotes effective international cooperation among stakeholders in matters relating to trade facilitation and compliance with procedures for the exportation of Peruvian hydrobiological products.
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