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**EUROPEAN UNION – MEASURES AFFECTING TARIFF CONCESSIONS  
ON CERTAIN POULTRY MEAT PRODUCTS**

**NOTIFICATION OF A MUTUALLY AGREED SOLUTION**

The following communication, received on 30 May 2019, from the delegation of China and the delegation of the European Union to the Chairperson of the Dispute Settlement Body, is circulated pursuant to Article 3.6 of the DSU.

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The Government of the People's Republic of China and the European Union wish to notify the Dispute Settlement Body that we have signed the attached notification of a Mutually Agreed Solution to the matters raised by China in the dispute "European Union – Measures Affecting Tariff Concessions on Certain Poultry Meat Products (WT/DS492).

We ask that you circulate this notification and the attachment to the Dispute Settlement Body.

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**NOTIFICATION OF A MUTUALLY AGREED SOLUTION**

The People's Republic of China and the European Union wish to notify the Dispute Settlement Body, in accordance with Article 3.6 of the Understanding on Rules and Procedures Governing the Settlement of Disputes, that they have reached a mutually agreed solution to the matters raised by China in the dispute DS 492: "European Union — Measures Affecting Tariff Concessions on Certain Poultry Meat Products".

The People's Republic of China and the European Union concluded an Agreement in the form of an Exchange of Letters between the European Union and the People's Republic of China in connection with DS492 "European Union — Measures Affecting Tariff Concessions on Certain Poultry Meat Products". This Agreement was signed in Geneva on 30 November 2018. In order to settle the dispute, the European Union will grant market access for three specific processed poultry products in the form of tariff rate quotas (TRQs):

- a tariff rate quota of 6060 tonnes for the tariff line 1602.3929 (processed duck, geese, guinea fowl meat, cooked, containing 57% or more by weight of poultry meat or offal), which, in agreement with all the substantial supplying Members, is to be allocated 6000 tonnes to China and 60 tonnes to all others, having an in-quota duty rate of 10.9%;
- a tariff rate quota of 660 tonnes for the tariff line 1602.3985 (processed duck, geese, guinea fowl meat, cooked, containing less than 57% by weight of poultry meat or offal), which, in agreement with all the substantial supplying Members, is to be allocated 600 tonnes to China and 60 tonnes to all others, having an in-quota duty rate of 10.9%;
- an erga omnes tariff rate quota of 5000 tonnes for the tariff line 1602.3219 (of fowls of the species *Gallus domesticus*, cooked, containing 57% or more by weight of poultry meat or offal), with an in-quota duty rate of 8%.

China and the European Union have notified each other of the completion of their internal procedures for the entry into force of this Agreement, respectively on 15 February 2019 and 18 March 2019. The Agreement entered into force 14 days after the date of receipt of the latest notification, namely on 1 April 2019. The European Union confirms it opened the above-mentioned TRQs from that date.<sup>1</sup>

On this basis, China confirms that, with regard to DS492, it will neither request initiation of procedures pursuant to Article 21.5 of the DSU nor request suspension of concessions or other obligations pursuant to DSU Article 22.6, as long as the European Union is in compliance with all of its obligations under this Agreement.

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<sup>1</sup> See [Commission implementing Regulation \(EU\) 2019/398 of 8 March 2019](#) amending Regulation (EC) No 616/2007 as regards some additional tariff quotas in the sector of poultry meat and derogating from that Regulation for the quota year 2018/2019, OJ L 71, 13.3.2019, p. 18–23. The European Union confirms this Regulation opened the tariff rate quotas pursuant to the Agreement. It applies from 1 April 2019.