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IMPORT AND EXPORT CERTIFICATES FOR AGRICULTURAL, LIVESTOCK, AQUACULTURE AND FISHERIES PRODUCTS

Communication from Mexico

The following communication, dated 13 August 2012, is being circulated at the request of the delegation of $\underline{\text{Mexico}}$.

- 1. Pursuant to Article 7 of and paragraph 3(b) of Annex B to the Agreement on the Application of Sanitary and Phytosanitary Measures, Mexico hereby advises WTO Members that the **Decision establishing the procedure for obtaining, by electronic means, import and export certificates for agricultural, livestock, aquaculture and fisheries products was published in the** *Diario Oficial de la Federación* **(Mexican Official Journal) on 9 August 2012.**
- 2. The notified Decision establishes the procedure for obtaining, by electronic means, import and export certificates for agricultural, livestock, aquaculture and fisheries products.
- 3. This Decision seeks to facilitate and streamline the procedure for issuing import and export certificates for the above-mentioned products and applies to natural and legal persons wishing to import or export such products.
- 4. The Decision is available in Spanish at: http://www.dof.gob.mx, http://www.dof.gob.mx/nota_detalle.php?codigo=5262925&fecha=09/08/2012 or from the National Enquiry Point (normasomc@economia.gob.mx). Lastly, Mexico wishes to state that this communication is being made for purposes of transparency, without prejudice to the country's rights and obligations under the SPS Agreement.