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## SANITARY REQUIREMENTS FOR THE IMPORTATION INTO PERU OF PROCESSED FOODS OTHER THAN FISHERY AND AQUACULTURE PRODUCTS

COMMUNICATION FROM PERU

The following communication, received on 16 June 2016, is being circulated at the request of the delegation of <u>Peru</u>.

1. Peru would like to notify WTO Members of the recent revision of the sanitary requirements governing the importation of processed foods other than fishery and aquaculture products. The new requirements facilitate trade in processed products and improve transparency in this respect for Peru's trading partners.

2. Information on sanitary requirements governing the importation of processed foods is available online at <u>http://www.digesa.sld.pe/Orientacion/Requisitos\_Sanitarios.asp</u>.

3. It should also be noted that the Peruvian health authority responsible for processed foods in Peru is the Directorate-General of Environmental Health and Food Safety (DIGESA), which is part of the Ministry of Health.

4. Peru therefore requests Members to address information on visits by foreign health authorities, enquiries regarding import requirements, requests for model export health certificates issued by the health authority of the country of origin, and any questionnaires concerning the importation of processed foods into Peru, directly to DIGESA, the competent authority in this area.

5. Lastly, Peru would be grateful if enquiries and requests for sanitary information concerning processed foods could sent by email to <u>foodsafety-peru@digesa.minsa.gob.pe</u>.