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Committee on Sanitary and Phytosanitary Measures

CHINA'S IMPORT RESTRICTIONS DUE TO HIGHLY PATHOGENIC AVIAN INFLUENZA - SPECIFIC TRADE CONCERN 406

SUBMISSION BY THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

The following submission, received on 26 March 2024, is the statement made by the United States of America at the 20-22 March 2024 WTO SPS Committee, and is being circulated at the request of the Delegation of the <u>United States of America</u>.

- 1. The United States supports the concerns raised by the European Union.
- 2. The United States is concerned that China has not lifted restrictions on US poultry exports from US states that have been declared HPAI-free in a manner consistent with the World Organisation of Animal Health, or WOAH, guidance.
- 3. The United States would like to ensure that the export of US poultry meat can resume as soon as possible and requests that China lift restrictions on exports from US states declared to be HPAI-free based on WOAH guidance.
- 4. The United States remains interested and available to continue working bilaterally with China to address our concerns with this measure.