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Committee on Sanitary and Phytosanitary Measures

DOCUMENTS AND NOTIFICATIONS CIRCULATED DURING 2002

Note by the Secretariat¹

For the information of the Committee, the Secretariat has compiled the following summary identifying all documents (including notifications) which have been submitted by Members and observer International Intergovernmental Organizations, as well as those prepared by the Secretariat, with relation to the Agreement on the Application of Sanitary and Phytosanitary Measures during calendar year 2002.²

¹ This document has been prepared under the Secretariat's own responsibility and is without prejudice to the positions of Members or to their rights or obligations under the WTO.

²For documents issued in 2001, see G/SPS/GEN/298.

NOTIFICATIONS AND OTHER SPS DOCUMENTS

Country	Notifications		Other SPS Documents		
	Normal	Emergency	Symbol	Subject	Date of Issue
Argentina	ARG/67-69	ARG/64-66 ARG/70	G/SPS/W/116	Equivalence	25.02.02
			G/SPS/W/117	Interpretation of Article 7 of Decision G/SPS/19 on the implementation of Article 4 of the SPS Agreement	11.03.02
			G/SPS/W/123	Clarification of paragraph 5 of the Decision on Equivalence	25.10.02
			G/SPS/GEN/301	Chilean restrictions on the import of fresh or frozen meat due to FMD	11.03.02
			G/SPS/GEN/302	Chilean measures affecting exports of pet food	11.03.02
			G/SPS/GEN/303	Bolivian restrictions on Argentine exports due to foot-and-mouth disease	15.03.02
			G/SPS/GEN/313	Importation of species susceptible to arboviral encephalitis	22.04.02
			G/SPS/GEN/314	Importation of domestic swine for breeding	23.04.02
			G/SPS/GEN/315	Evolution of the national FMD disease eradication plan in Argentina	23.04.02
			G/SPS/GEN/323	Evolution of the foot-and-mouth disease eradication plan in Argentina	17.06.02
			G/SPS/GEN/324	Indonesia – Restrictions on the entry of milk products because of foot-and-mouth disease	17.06.02
			G/SPS/GEN/325	Cuba - Restrictions on the entry of cooked sausages and raw and cooked salted meat due to foot-and-mouth disease	17.06.02
			G/SPS/GEN/354	Response from the European Commission to comments submitted by WTO Members under G/SPS/N/EEC/149 and 150	04.11.02
Australia	AUS/135-144		G/SPS/GEN/331	Interpretation of paras 5, 6 and 7 of Decision G/SPS/19 on the implementation of Art. 4 of the SPS Agreement	19.06.02

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Austria		AUT/2/Add.1			
Bahrain		BHR/4			
Belarus	BLR/1-3		G/SPS/GEN/295/Add.7	Technical assistance – Responses to the questionnaire	01.03.02
Belgium	BEL/6-7				
Bolivia		BOL/1-3			
Brazil	BRA/61-68 BRA/70-72	BRA/69 BRA/73	G/SPS/GEN/330	South Africa – Restrictions on the import of beef and pork	17.06.02
			G/SPS/GEN/355 & Corr.1	European Communities – Restrictions on the importation of fruit, fruit juices	05.11.02
Brunei Darussalam		BHR/4			
Canada	CAN/100/Rev.1 CAN/124-140 CAN/142-156	CAN/141 CAN/157	G/SPS/W/127	Enhancing transparency of special and differential treatment within the SPS Agreement	30.10.02
Chile	CHL/105-120				
China	CHN/9-10 CHN/15	CHN/1-8 CHN/11-14	G/SPS/GEN/295/Add.24	Technical assistance – Responses to the questionnaire	02.08.02
Colombia	COL/50 COL/52-56 COL/58-59 COL/63 COL/65-66	COL/39/Rev.1 COL/51 COL/57 COL/60-62 COL/64 COL/67-68	G/SPS/GEN/295/Add.10	Technical assistance – Responses to the questionnaire	01.03.02
Costa Rica	CRI/26	CRI/25 CRI/27-28	G/SPS/GEN/295/Add.18	Technical assistance – Responses to the questionnaire	24.06.02

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			G/SPS/GEN/295/Add.29	Technical assistance – Responses to the questionnaire	10.12.02
			G/SPS/GEN/347 & Rev.1 & Rev.1/Add.1	Restriction in absolute terms on chicken imports from Costa Rica – Questions to Honduras	22.11.02
Cuba	CUB/1-6		G/SPS/GEN/295/Add.13	Technical assistance – Responses to the questionnaire	18.03.02
Cyprus			G/SPS/GEN/295/Add.11	Technical assistance – Responses to the questionnaire	01.03.02
Czech Rep.	CZE/18/Add.1				
Denmark	DNK/3				
Egypt			G/SPS/GEN/295/Add.1	Technical assistance – Responses to the questionnaire	06.02.02
			G/SPS/GEN/358	Comments on the Canadian proposal (Transparency)	15.11.02
El Salvador	SLV/36-44	SLV/45			
European Communities	EEC/133/Rev.1	EEC/147	G/SPS/W/118	Comments on transparency and in particular on G/SPS/W/112 NZ proposal for review of the notification procedure	12.03.02
	EEC/148-154	EEC/155			
	EEC/156-163	EEC/164	G/SPS/W/125	China's transitional review mechanism – Questions to China	28.10.02
	EEC/165-170	EEC/171-172			
	EEC/173	EEC/174	G/SPS/GEN/297	Statement by the European Communities concerning notifications G/SPS/N/EEC/149 and G/SPS/N/EEC/150 and notifications G/TBT/N/EEC/6 and G/TBT/N/EEC/7	13.02.02
	EEC/175-176	EEC/177			
	EEC/178-180	EEC/181	G/SPS/GEN/304	A practical example of implementation of the principle of equivalence	12.03.02
			G/SPS/GEN/320	Membership in WTO and international standard-setting bodies	10.06.02
		G/SPS/GEN/337	Response from the EC to comments submitted by WTO Members under either or both G/TBT/N/EEC/6 and G/SPS/N/EEC/149	26.07.02	
		G/SPS/GEN/338 & Corr.1	Response from the EC to comments submitted by WTO Members under either or both G/TBT/N/EEC/7 and G/SPS/N/EEC/150	26.07.02	
Gambia			G/SPS/GEN/295/Add.23	Technical assistance – Responses to the questionnaire	01.08.02

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Georgia			G/SPS/GEN/295/Add.3	Technical assistance – Responses to the questionnaire	08.02.02
Germany	DEU/6/Rev.1				
Great Britain		GBR/2-3			
Guatemala			G/SPS/GEN/295/Add.22	Technical assistance – Responses to the questionnaire	30.07.02
Honduras			G/SPS/GEN/295/Add.26	Technical assistance – Responses to the questionnaire	29.08.02
			G/SPS/GEN/362	Sanitary measures adopted by Honduras in connection with its avian health situation	22.11.02
			G/SPS/GEN/363	Replies by Honduras to questions posed by Costa Rica	22.11.02
Hong Kong, China	HKG/18	HKG/19			
Hungary	HUN/15	HUN/14			
India	IND/9-11				
Indonesia	IDN/17-	IDN/18	G/SPS/GEN/295/Add.6	Technical assistance – Responses to the questionnaire	13.02.02
Japan	JPN/78-83 JPN/88-91	JPN/84-87			
Jordan		JOR/1-2			
Kenya			G/SPS/GEN/295/Add.21	Technical assistance – Responses to the questionnaire	16.07.02
Korea	KOR/107-108 KOR/110-112 KOR/114-122	KOR/109 KOR/113	G/SPS/GEN/318	Standards & procedures for authorization of domestic/foreign official laboratories and for recognition of inspection certificates or certificates of laboratory test results – 1999-5 – Korea Food and Drug Administration	07.05.02
			G/SPS/GEN/348	FMD eradication in the Republic of Korea	23.10.02
Latvia	LVA/42-	LVA/43-46			
Malawi			G/SPS/GEN/349	Establishment of national WTO TBT/SPS Enquiry Point – Project proposal	24.10.02
Malaysia	MYS/12				
Maldives			G/SPS/GEN/295/Add.15	Technical assistance – Responses to the questionnaire	06.06.02

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Mauritius	MUS/8-9		G/SPS/GEN/295/Add.27	Technical assistance – Responses to the questionnaire	12.09.02
Mexico	MEX/176-178 MEX/180-181 MEX/184-186	MEX/179 MEX/182-183 MEX/187-190	G/SPS/GEN/366	Ban on imports of Mexican cantaloupe melons by the United States	20.12.02
Moldova			G/SPS/GEN/334	Romania's measures on animal products	21.06.02
Morocco			G/SPS/GEN/295/Add.17	Technical assistance – Responses to the questionnaire	19.06.02
Netherlands	NLD/55/Rev.1 NLD/57-58	NLD/56			
New Zealand	NZL/162-177 NZL/180-196	NZL/178-179 NZL/197	G/SPS/W/112/Rev.1	Enhancing transparency: Proposed changes to the recommended notification procedures (G/SPS/7/Rev.1)	12.03.02
			G/SPS/GEN/326	Equivalence	17.06.02
			G/SPS/GEN/352	Technical assistance provided to developing country Members by New Zealand since 1 January 2002	28.10.02
			G/SPS/GEN/357	Japan – Official control	15.11.02
			G/SPS/GEN/364	New Zealand change to format for phytosanitary certificates	13.12.02
Panama	PAN/39-40		G/SPS/GEN/295/Add.16	Technical assistance – Responses to the questionnaire	10.06.02
			G/SPS/GEN/295/Add.25	Technical assistance – Responses to the questionnaire	14.08.02
Paraguay			G/SPS/GEN/359	Statement made at the meeting of 7-8 November 2002 (Newcastle disease)	18.11.02
			G/SPS/GEN/360	Foot-and-mouth disease	18.11.02
			G/SPS/GEN/361	Situation in Paraguay regarding the programme to keep the country free of Newcastle disease	18.11.02

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Peru	PER/40 PER/42	PER/39 PER/41 PER/43			
Philippines	PHL/38-39 PHL/41 PHL/44	PHL/36-37 PHL/40 PHL/42-43 PHL/45	G/SPS/GEN/295/Add.14	Technical assistance – Responses to the questionnaire	27.05.02
Singapore	SGP/22				
Slovak Rep.	SVK/21				
Slovenia	SVN/15-16	SVN/13-14 SVN/17			
Saudi Arabia			G/SPS/GEN/295/Add.8	Technical assistance – Responses to the questionnaire	01.03.02
Senegal			G/SPS/GEN/295/Add.20 & Rev.1	Technical assistance – Responses to the questionnaire	20.08.02
South Africa	ZAF/10-14		G/SPS/GEN/295/Add.19 & Rev.1	Technical assistance – Responses to the questionnaire	16.10.02
Sri Lanka			G/SPS/GEN/295/Add.2 & Rev.1	Technical assistance – Responses to the questionnaire	30.07.02
Switzerland	CHE/28-30 CHE/32	CHE/31	G/SPS/GEN/321	US restrictions on the import of meat and meat products (BSE)	10.06.02
			G/SPS/GEN/322	Polish restrictions on the import of bovine semen and gelatin (BSE)	10.06.02
Chinese Taipei	TPKM/1-6 TPKM/8-14	TPKM/7	G/SPS/W/124	China's transitional review mechanism – Questions to China	28.10.02
			G/SPS/GEN/339 & Corr.1	Relevant laws, decrees, regulations and administrative rulings of general application relating to SPS	02.08.02

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Thailand	THA/82-92		G/SPS/GEN/295/Add.9	Technical assistance – Responses to the questionnaire	01.03.02
Trinidad and Tobago			G/SPS/GEN/295/Add.4	Technical assistance – Responses to the questionnaire	08.02.02
Tunisia			G/SPS/GEN/295/Add.12	Technical assistance – Responses to the questionnaire	06.03.02
Uganda			G/SPS/GEN/295/Add.5	Technical assistance – Responses to the questionnaire	08.02.02
United States	USA/527-531	USA/532	G/SPS/W/126	China's transitional review mechanism – Questions to China	30.10.02
	USA/533-547	USA/548	G/SPS/GEN/181/Add.2	Technical assistance to developing countries provided by the United States	25.06.02
	USA/549-564	USA/565-566			
	USA/567-579	USA/580	G/SPS/GEN/311	Information on the process for development of US SPS measures and explanation for the volume of recent US SPS notifications	18.03.02
	USA/581-589	USA/590	G/SPS/GEN/343	Procedure to monitor the process of international harmonization	10.10.02
	USA/591-613	USA/614			
	USA/615-622	USA/623-624			
	USA/625-643	USA/644			
	USA/645-653				
Uruguay		URY/5			
Yugoslavia			G/SPS/GEN/295/Add.28	Technical assistance – Responses to the questionnaire	17.10.02

DOCUMENTS SUBMITTED BY OBSERVERS

Organization	Symbol	Subject	Date of Issue
CODEX	G/SPS/GEN/308	Summary reports of recent meetings	13.03.02
	G/SPS/GEN/344	Capacity building for food standards and regulations (document based on information provided by FAO and WHO)	21.10.02
OIE	G/SPS/W/119	Draft paper on the judgement of equivalence of sanitary measures relating to international trade in animals and animal products	18.03.02
	G/SPS/GEN/305 & Rev.1	International meeting schedule in 2002: Participation of the OIE	17.04.02
	G/SPS/GEN/306 & Rev.1	List of seminars and workshops organized by the OIE – Seminars and workshops in each region	17.04.02
	G/SPS/GEN/327	Issues of interest to the SPS Committee discussed by the OIE International Committee at the 70 th General Session	19.06.02
	G/SPS/GEN/328	International meeting schedule in 2002: Participation of the OIE	19.06.02
	G/SPS/GEN/351	International meeting schedule for 2002 and 2003	28.10.02
	G/SPS/GEN/353	Conclusions of the World Veterinary Congress held in Tunis on 27-28 September 2002	01.11.02
IICA	G/SPS/GEN/310	Actions aimed at implementing the SPS Agreement	14.03.02
	G/SPS/GEN/333	Actions aimed at the implementation of the SPS Agreement	21.06.02
	G/SPS/GEN/350	Actions aimed at the implementation of the SPS Agreement	28.10.02
ITC	G/SPS/GEN/335	Joint COMSEC/ITC project on case studies to determine technical assistance needs in the areas of TBT and SPS	26.06.02
OIRSA	G/SPS/GEN/307	Measures to strengthen implementation of the SPS Agreement in member countries of OIRSA	13.03.02
OIV³	G/SPS/GEN/329	Improvements brought about by the Agreement of 3 April 2001 establishing the International Organization of Vine and Wine	19.06.02

³ OIV request for observer status is pending.

DOCUMENTS ISSUED BY THE SECRETARIAT

Symbol	Subject	Date of Issue
G/SPS/7/Rev.2	Recommend notifications procedures	02.04.02
G/SPS/7/Rev.2/Add.1	Notification of determination of the recognition of equivalence of SPS measures	25.07.02
G/SPS/19/Add.1	Decision on the implementation of Article 4 of the SPS Agreement (Equivalence – Clarification on paras 5 and 6) – Addendum	15.11.02
G/SPS/20	Equivalence – Programme for further work – Decision by the Committee	21.03.02
G/SPS/21	Procedure to monitor the process of international harmonization – Fourth annual report	27.06.02
G/SPS/22	Chair Report to the Council for Trade in Goods on China's transitional review	15.11.02
G/SPS/23	Chair Report to the Committee on Trade and Development on special and differential treatment	15.11.02
G/SPS/24	Implementation – Related issues and concerns – Chair Report to the Trade Negotiations Committee	15.11.02
G/SPS/W/114 & Rev.1	Proposed format for the notification of agreements of equivalence	21.05.02
G/SPS/W/115	Programme to further the implementation of Article 4 of the SPS Agreement	22.02.02
G/SPS/W/120	Procedure to monitor the process of international harmonization – Draft fourth annual report	28.05.02
G/SPS/W/121	Clarification of paragraph 5 of the Decision on Equivalence	07.10.02
G/SPS/W/122	Clarification of paragraph 6 of the Decision on Equivalence	18.10.02
G/SPS/GEN/27/Rev.9	Implementation of the transparency obligations	14.03.02
G/SPS/GEN/49/Rev.3	Membership in WTO and international standard-setting bodies - Revision	16.01.02
G/SPS/GEN/49/Rev.4	<i>Idem</i>	30.03.02
G/SPS/GEN/204/Rev.2	Specific trade concerns – Revision	18.02.02
G/SPS/GEN/294	Notifications issued during the month of December 2001	11.01.02
G/SPS/GEN/296	<i>Idem</i> – January 2002	07.02.02
G/SPS/GEN/300	<i>Idem</i> – February 2002	08.03.02
G/SPS/GEN/312	<i>Idem</i> – March 2002	05.43.02
G/SPS/GEN/317	<i>Idem</i> – April 2002	07.05.02
G/SPS/GEN/319	<i>Idem</i> – May 2002	04.06.02
G/SPS/GEN/336	<i>Idem</i> – June 2002	08.07.02
G/SPS/GEN/340 & Corr.1	<i>Idem</i> – July 2002	05.08.02
G/SPS/GEN/341	<i>Idem</i> – August 2002	13.09.02
G/SPS/GEN/342 & Corr.1	<i>Idem</i> – September 2002	04.10.02
G/SPS/GEN/356	<i>Idem</i> – October 2002	14.11.02
G/SPS/GEN/365	<i>Idem</i> – November 2002	13.12.02

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G/SPS/GEN/295	Technical assistance – Responses to the questionnaire	06.02.02
G/SPS/GEN/298	Documents and notifications circulated during 2001	19.02.02
G/SPS/GEN/309	Response to the Chairman of the CTD relating to special and differential treatment	14.03.02
G/SPS/GEN/332	Technical assistance and capacity building in the context of the SPS Agreement	24.06.02
G/SPS/R/25 & Corr.1	Meeting of 31 October-1 November 2001	18.01.02
G/SPS/R/26 & Corr.1-2	Meeting of 19-21 March 2002	27.05.02
G/SPS/R/27 & Corr.1-2	Meeting of 25-26 June 2002	02.08.02
G/SPS/ENQ/12/Add.2	List of Enquiry Points – Addendum	13.03.02
G/SPS/ENQ/13 & Corr.1	<i>Idem</i>	21.06.02
G/SPS/ENQ/14	<i>Idem</i>	30.10.02
G/SPS/NNA/2/Add.2	List of National Notification Authorities – Addendum	13.03.02
G/SPS/NNA/3	<i>Idem</i>	21.06.02
G/SPS/NNA/4	<i>Idem</i>	30.10.02
G/L/592	Report (2002) of the SPS Committee	13.11.02