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Notification/ Date of Circulation	Region/Country affected (as identified)	"Product" or issue	Objective	Deadline for submission of comments
South Africa G/SPS/N/ZAF/15 4 February 2003	Any country exporting food products to South Africa	Abamectin, ceftiofur, azaperone, danofloxacin – MRLs in liver, fat, muscle and milk obtained from sheep, cattle, chickens and pigs	Food safety	13 March 2003
European Communities G/SPS/N/EEC/188 6 February 2003	EC member States and countries exporting these products to the European Communities	Plants and plant products – Import procedures	Plant protection	n.a.
European Communities G/SPS/N/EEC/189 6 February 2003	EC member States and countries exporting these products to the European Communities	Tomato plants intended for planting – Pepino mosaic virus	Plant protection	n.a.
United States G/SPS/N/USA/690 6 February 2003	Trading partners	Food for human and animal consumption, except meat, poultry and egg products - Bioterrorism	Food safety Animal health Protect humans from animal/plant pest or disease	4 April 2003
United States G/SPS/N/USA/691 6 February 2003	Trading partners who export food for consumption in the United States	Food for human and animal consumption, except meat, poultry and egg products - Bioterrorism	Food safety Animal health Protect humans from animal/plant pest or disease	4 April 2003
United States G/SPS/N/USA/692 6 February 2003	Italy	Pork and pork products – Swine vesicular disease	Animal health	24 March 2003
Canada G/SPS/N/CAN/159 6 February 2003	n.a.	Vitamins A and D – MRLs in pre-term infant formulas	Food safety	Not for comment at this time – to be provided in a revision

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Canada G/SPS/N/CAN/160 6 February 2003	n.a.	Sodium hydroxide in whey cheese (Ricotta)	Food safety	Not for comment at this time – to be provided in a revision
South Africa G/SPS/N/ZAF/16 11 February 2003	Any country exporting food products to South Africa	Foodstuffs containing comfrey and jelly confectionery containing konjac - Prohibition	Food safety	13 March 2003
Philippines G/SPS/N/PHL/46 – EMRG 11 February 2003	State of Nevada (United States)	Domestic and wild birds and their products including poultry meat, day-old chicks, eggs and semen – Newcastle disease	Animal health Protect territory from other damage from pests	
Switzerland G/SPS/N/CHE/32 10 February 2003	Countries exporting these products to Switzerland	Plants and plant products – Various harmful organisms	Plant protection	14 April 2003
European Communities G/SPS/N/EEC/94/Rev.1/Add.1 11 February 2003	EC member States and countries exporting these products to the European Communities	Food of animal origin (fresh meat, molluscs, fishery products, milk and milk products – Final rule	Food safety Animal health Protect humans from animal/plant pest or disease	n.a.
Panama G/SPS/N/PAN/41 12 February 2003	n.a.	Animals, products and by-products of animal origin	Animal health	n.a.
Norway G/SPS/N/NOR/7 17 February 2003	n.a.	Various pesticides - MRLs in fresh fruits and vegetables, including potatoes and cereals	Food safety	20 April 2003
Slovenia G/SPS/N/SVN/21 17 February 2003	All countries exporting these products to Slovenia	Genetically modified organisms, micro-organisms, plants, animals, feed and seeds – Environmental effects	Protect territory from other damage from pests	n.a.
United States G/SPS/N/USA/693 17 February 2003	Uruguay	Chilled or frozen fresh beef – FMD – Withdrawal of the ban under certain conditions	Animal health	11 April 2003

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Hungary G/SPS/N/HUN/16 18 February 2003	All countries	Contaminants – MRLs in foodstuffs	Food safety	28 February 2003
Colombia G/SPS/N/COL/53/Corr.1 25 February 2003	All countries exporting these products to Colombia	Live animals, their products or other products of risk to animals – Amendment in the resolution	Animal health	n.a.
Colombia G/SPS/N/COL/69 25 February 2003	See list of countries in notification	Plants and vegetable products – Pink Hibiscus Mealy Bug, <i>Maconellicoccus hirsutus</i> (Green)	Plant protection	n.a.
Colombia G/SPS/N/COL/70 – EMRG 25 February 2003	State of California (United States)	Apples, pears, peaches and nectarines – Codling Moth (<i>Cydia Pomonella</i>) and the Oriental Fruit Moth (<i>Cydia Molesta</i>)	Plant protection	n.a.
Chinese Taipei G/SPS/N/TPKM/16 20 February 2003	Countries exporting these products to Chinese Taipei	Various pesticides – MRLs in fruits and vegetables	Food safety	15 April 2003
Hungary G/SPS/N/HUN/16/Corr.1 20 February 2003	All countries	Foodstuffs	Food safety	n.a.
China G/SPS/N/CHN/16 – EMRG 25 February 2003	Netherlands	<i>Calathea ornate</i> and other host plants of <i>Radopholus similes</i> (Cobb) Thorne and potting medium	Plant protection Protect territory from other damage from pests	
Malaysia G/SPS/N/MYS/13 – EMRG 27 February 2003	United States	Live poultry, game birds and eggs, meat and by-products – Newcastle Disease	Animal health	n.a.

n.a. = not available, not identified