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Notification/ Date of Circulation	Region/Country affected (as identified)	"Product" or issue	Objective	Deadline for submission of comments
Honduras G/SPS/N/HND/11 3 February 2006	All trading partners	All products in wood packaging – ISPM 15	Plant protection Protect territory from other damage from pests	n.a.
Chile G/SPS/N/CHL/209 3 February 2006	All regions and countries	Fresh, chilled and frozen meat of poultry other than Ratitae – Sanitary requirements	Animal health	25 March 2006
Chile G/SPS/N/CHL/204/Add.1 3 February 2006	Countries exporting these products to Chile	Horses – Health requirements – Extension of the comment period	Animal health	4 March 2006
New Zealand G/SPS/N/NZL/343 3 February 2006	Australia, Pacific Islands, all countries	Specified bee products – Health standards	Animal health Protect humans from animal/plant pest or disease Protect territory from other damage from pests	20 February 2006
United States G/SPS/N/USA/1221 3 February 2006	Any US trading partners	Imidacloprid in oats and rye - Pesticides	Food safety Plant protection Protect humans from animal/plant pest or disease	27 February 2006
United States G/SPS/N/USA/1222 3 February 2006	Any US trading partners	Pyraclostrobin in almond hulls - Pesticides	Food safety Plant protection Protect humans from animal/plant pest or disease	27 February 2006
United States G/SPS/N/USA/1223 3 February 2006	Any US trading partners	Sorbitol octanoate in all food commodities – Exemption from the requirement of a tolerance - Pesticides	Food safety Plant protection Protect humans from animal/plant pest or disease	28 March 2006
United States G/SPS/N/USA/1224 3 February 2006	Any US trading partners	Colour additives carmine and cochineal extract in all foods and cosmetics – Food additive	Food safety	1 May 2006

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United States G/SPS/N/USA/1087/Add.1 3 February 2006	All trading partners	Irradiation treatment of imported fruits and vegetables	Animal health Plant protection Protect territory from other damage from pests	
United States G/SPS/N/USA/1117/Add.1 3 February 2006	Argentina	Poultry and poultry products – Exotic Newcastle disease - Regionalization	Animal health	
Guatemala G/SPS/N/GTM/36 9 February 2006	Countries listed in the notification	Products listed in the notification	Food safety Plant protection Protect humans from animal/plant pest or disease Protect territory from other damage from pests	60 days after circulation of the notification
Paraguay G/SPS/N/PRY/5 8 February 2006	All trading partners	Packaging material in international trade – ISPM 15	Protect territory from other damage from pests	n.a.
Paraguay G/SPS/N/PRY/6 8 February 2006	All trading partners	Packaging material in international trade – Quarantine treatment	Protect territory from other damage from pests	n.a.
Paraguay G/SPS/N/PRY/7 8 February 2006	All trading partners	Timber sleepers – Treatment of wood for export	Protect territory from other damage from pests	n.a.
Paraguay G/SPS/N/PRY/8 8 February 2006	All trading partners	Timber sleepers – Import requirements	Food safety	n.a.
Paraguay G/SPS/N/PRY/9 8 February 2006	All trading partners	Packaging material in international trade – Quarantine treatment	Protect territory from other damage from pests	n.a.

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Colombia G/SPS/N/COL/91/Add.1 9 February 2006	Countries trading with Colombia	Agricultural, agri-food and agro-industrial products – Technical regulations and sanitary any phytosanitary measures	Food safety Animal health Protect humans from animal/plant pest or disease Protect territory from other damage from pests	Not applicable
European Communities G/SPS/N/EEC/282 6 February 2006	EC member States and countries exporting to the European Communities	Foodstuffs in which smoke flavourings are used – Quality criteria	Food safety	60 days after circulation of the notification
Spain G/SPS/N/ESP/3 - EMRG 8 February 2006	All countries and territories	Ban on the importation and transit of palm plants, excluding fruits and seeds, with a base diameter of more than 5 cm	Plant protection	
United States G/SPS/N/USA/1225 7 February 2006	Any US trading partners	C11-12 rich aromatic hydrocarbon fluid in food commodities – Exemption from the requirement of a tolerance - Pesticides	Food safety Plant protection Protect humans from animal/plant pest or disease	3 March 2006
United States G/SPS/N/USA/1226 7 February 2006	Any US trading partners	Inorganic chlorates in rice, corn, soybeans, dry beans, potatoes, sunflowers, flax, safflower, chilli peppers, grain sorghum, and wheat – Risk assessments	Food safety Plant protection Protect humans from animal/plant pest or disease	3 April 2006
United States G/SPS/N/USA/1227 7 February 2006	Any US trading partners	Amine oxides in food commodities – Exemption from the requirement of a tolerance - Pesticides	Food safety Plant protection Protect humans from animal/plant pest or disease	3 March 2006
Thailand G/SPS/N/THA/139 8 February 2006	All countries	High risk food products – Health certificate	Food safety	60 days after circulation of the notification

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Thailand G/SPS/N/THA/140 8 February 2006	Countries listed in the notification	Meat and meat products derived from cattle – BSE	Food safety Animal health	60 days after circulation of the notification
Chinese Taipei G/SPS/N/TPKM/72 9 February 2006	Regions or countries producing these products	Alcohol products – Methanol content of spirits	Food safety	60 days after circulation of the notification
United States G/SPS/N/USA/1228 9 February 2006	Costa Rica, El Salvador, Guatemala, Honduras, Nicaragua and Panama	Tomatoes – Quarantine pests	Plant protection	7 April 2006
Colombia G/SPS/N/COL/99/Add.1 15 February 2006	Trading partners	Medical devices and biomedical equipment for human use	Protect humans from animal/plant pest or disease	n.a.
Canada G/SPS/N/CAN/157/Rev.11 - EMRG 9 February 2006	European Communities, Switzerland and the United States	All plants – Phytosanitary requirements	Plant protection	
United States G/SPS/N/USA/1206/Add.1 9 February 2006	Any US trading partners	Iodomethane in strawberries, tomatoes, peppers, turf, ornamentals, trees and vines – Risk assessment – Extension of the comment period	Food safety Plant protection Protect humans from animal/plant pest or disease	21 February 2006
Chile G/SPS/N/CHL/210 15 February 2006	European Communities	Onion bulbs for consumption – Phytosanitary requirements	Plant protection	1 April 2006
Chinese Taipei G/SPS/N/TPKM/73 9 February 2006	Countries exporting the products concerned to Chinese Taipei	Antioxidants of food additives – Scope and application standards	Food safety	15 March 2006
Chinese Taipei G/SPS/N/TPKM/74 9 February 2006	Japan	Fresh fruit of <i>Malus</i> spp., <i>Pyrus</i> spp., <i>Prunus persica</i> , <i>P. Americana</i> , <i>P. domestica</i> and <i>P. salicina</i> – Peach fruit moth	Plant protection	Not available
Kenya G/SPS/N/KEN/16 – EMRG 13 February 2006	Nigeria	Domestic and wild birds, hatching eggs and meat and meat products of domestic and wild birds – Avian Influenza	Animal health Protect humans from animal/plant pest or disease	

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European Communities G/SPS/N/EEC/221/Add.4 13 February 2006	EC member States and countries exporting these products to the European Communities	Wood packaging material – Protective measures against the introduction of harmful organisms	Plant protection	n.a.
Cuba G/SPS/N/CUB/12 24 February 2006	Canada	Bovine meat - BSE	Food safety Animal health Protect humans from animal/plant pest or disease	Not applicable
Cuba G/SPS/N/CUB/13 24 February 2006	Canada	Cattle - BSE	Animal health Protect humans from animal/plant pest or disease	Not applicable
Cuba G/SPS/N/CUB/14 24 February 2006	All trading partners exporting these products to Cuba	Poultry meat and derivatives – Avian Influenza	Food safety Animal health Protect humans from animal/plant pest or disease	Not applicable
Romania G/SPS/N/ROU/7/Corr.1 - EMRG 14 February 2006	All countries	Live animals (excluding equidae) and fresh non- processed meat (including equidae) – Sanitary requirements	Animal health Protect humans from animal/plant pest or disease	
Romania G/SPS/N/ROU/8 15 February 2006	All countries	Fish and fishery products – Health certificate	Protect humans from animal/plant pest or disease	n.a.
Romania G/SPS/N/ROU/9 15 February 2006	All countries	Fish and fishery products – Parasites contamination	Protect humans from animal/plant pest or disease	n.a.
Paraguay G/SPS/N/PRY/10 15 February 2006	Countries trading with Paraguay	Paraquat concentrates	Food safety	n.a.
Kenya G/SPS/N/KEN/17 – EMRG 14 February 2006	Cambodia, Cyprus, Iraq, North Korea, Kuwait, Saudi Arabia and Vietnam	Domestic and wild birds, hatching eggs, meat and meat products, including products for animal feed, for agricultural and industrial uses – Avian Influenza	Animal health Protect humans from animal/plant pest or disease	

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United States G/SPS/N/USA/841/Add.2 14 February 2006	Any US trading partners	Boscalid – MRLs in bananas, celery and spinach and for Imazethapyr – MRLs in rice and crayfish – Entry into force of new regulation - Pesticides	Food safety Protect humans from animal/plant pest or disease	Objections and requests for hearings must be received by 10 April 2006
United States G/SPS/N/USA/1229 14 February 2006	Any US trading partners	Imazethapyr – MRLs in rice and crayfish - Pesticides	Food safety Animal health Plant protection Protect humans from animal/plant pest or disease	10 April 2006
United States G/SPS/N/USA/1230 14 February 2006	Any US trading partners	Lindane in barley, corn, rye, sorghum and wheat – Risk assessment - Pesticides	Food safety Animal health Plant protection Protect humans from animal/plant pest or disease Protect territory from other damage from pests	10 April 2006
India G/SPS/N/IND/35 14 February 2006	All trading partners exporting these products to India	Plants and plant materials – Quarantine measures	Plant protection Protect humans from animal/plant pest or disease Protect territory from other damage from pests	2 April 2006
Korea G/SPS/N/KOR/201 14 February 2006	Any trading partners	Food products – Standards and specifications	Food safety	27 February 2006
Colombia G/SPS/N/COL/102/Add.1 15 February 2006	Trading partners	All food for human consumption – Labelling and marking requirements	Food safety	n.a.

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Guatemala G/SPS/N/GTM/37 – EMRG 15 February 2006	Trading partners	Meat and bone meal and their mixtures of ruminant origin – BSE	Animal health Protect territory from other damage from pests	
Chinese Taipei G/SPS/N/TPKM/75 16 February 2006	Countries exporting these products to Chinese Taipei	Tilmicosin in chickens – Establishment of a tolerance	Food safety	31 March 2006
Singapore G/SPS/N/SGP/33 – EMRG 16 February 2006	Region north of the 42°S parallel in Argentina	Frozen and chilled mutton and beef – FMD - Regionalization	Animal health	
United States G/SPS/N/USA/1231 - EMRG 16 February 2006	Kazakhstan, Romania, Russia, Turkey and Ukraine	Poultry and poultry products – Avian Influenza	Animal health	
Kenya G/SPS/N/KEN/18 – EMRG 16 February 2006	Italy	Domestic and wild birds, hatching eggs, meat and meat products of domestic and wild birds including products intended for animal feed and for agricultural and industrial use – Avian Influenza	Animal health Protect humans from animal/plant pest or disease	
Kenya G/SPS/N/KEN/19 – EMRG 16 February 2006	Bulgaria	Domestic and wild birds, hatching eggs, meat and meat products of domestic and wild birds including products intended for animal feed and for agricultural and industrial use – Avian Influenza	Animal health Protect humans from animal/plant pest or disease	
China G/SPS/N/CHN/42/Add.3 17 February 2006	Countries exporting these products to China	Wood packaging material – Quarantine treatment and marking – Entry into force of new regulation	Plant protection	
Bolivia G/SPS/N/BOL/15 24 February 2006	Paraguay	Wood parquet and <i>aserrada</i> – Phytosanitary treatments	Plant protection	60 days after circulation of the notification
Peru G/SPS/N/PER/127 – EMRG 24 February 2006	Argentina	Ruminants and live swine, semen and embryos thereof, chilled or frozen meat, and their products - FMD	Animal health	

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Guatemala G/SPS/N/GTM/38 24 February 2006	Trading partners	Honey	Food safety Protect humans from animal/plant pest or disease	60 days after circulation of the notification
Guatemala G/SPS/N/GTM/39 24 February 2006	Trading partners	Products listed in the notification	Protect territory from other damage from pests	60 days after circulation of the notification
United Arab Emirates G/SPS/N/ARE/14 – EMRG 17 February 2006	All countries	All kinds of ornamental birds – Avian Influenza	Animal health Protect humans from animal/plant pest or disease	
Egypt G/SPS/EGY/9 - EMRG 20 February 2006	All countries	Imported live birds, their meat and products – Avian Influenza	Animal health Protect humans from animal/plant pest or disease	
United States G/SPS/N/USA/1232 20 February 2006	US trading partners	Poly-hydrochloride in food-contact paper and paperboard	Food safety	Special instructions for comments
Colombia G/SPS/N/COL/106 - EMRG 21 February 2006	Argentina	Bovine animals, sheep, goats, swine and other susceptible species, semen and embryos thereof, fresh, chilled or frozen meat and products thereof – FMD	Animal health	
India G/SPS/N/IND/36 21 February 2006	All countries	Plants and plant materials - Quarantine	Plant protection Protect humans from animal/plant pest or disease Protect territory from other damage from pests	2 April 2006
Kenya G/SPS/N/KEN/20 - EMRG 20 February 2006	Germany	Domestic and wild birds, hatching eggs, meat and meat products of domestic and wild birds including products intended for animal feed and for agricultural and industrial use – Avian Influenza	Animal health Protect humans from animal/plant pest or disease	

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European Communities G/SPS/N/EEC/263/Add.1 22 February 2006	EC Member states and countries exporting these products to the European Communities	Various commodities – Microbiological criteria	Food safety Protect humans from animal/plant pest or disease	n.a.
Chinese Taipei G/SPS/N/TPKM/76 22 February 2006	Countries exporting these products to Chinese Taipei	Nutritional additives – Scope and application standards	Food safety	31 March 2006
Bulgaria G/SPS/N/BGR/24 22 February 2006	All countries	Wood products and wood packaging materials – ISPM 15	Plant protection Protect territory from other damage from pests	Not applicable
Japan G/SPS/N/JPN/155 24 February 2006	All countries	Butanol as a food additive – Establishment of standards and specifications – Food additives	Food safety	26 April 2006
Japan G/SPS/N/JPN/156 24 February 2006	All countries	Dinotefuran – MRLs in various commodities – Food additives	Food safety	26 April 2006
Japan G/SPS/N/JPN/157 24 February 2006	All countries	Malachite green and leucomalachite green in all food – Establishment of a tolerance – Food additives	Food safety	26 April 2006
Chinese Taipei G/SPS/N/TPKM/77 24 February 2006	Countries exporting these products to Chinese Taipei	L-Theanine as a food additive – Scope and application standard	Food safety	10 April 2006
Kenya G/SPS/N/KEN/21 - EMRG 24 February 2006	Azerbaijan and Slovenia	Domestic and wild birds, hatching eggs, meat and meat products of domestic and wild birds including products intended for animal feed and for agricultural and industrial use – Avian Influenza	Animal health Protect humans from animal/plant pest or disease	
Canada G/SPS/N/CAN/257 24 February 2006	Not stated	Phospholipase enzyme – Interim marketing authorization	Food safety	Not for comment at this time. A comment period will be provided in a revision of this notification
New Zealand G/SPS/N/NZL/344 24 February 2006	All countries	Wood packaging material – ISPM 15	Plant protection	18 April 2006

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New Zealand G/SPS/N/NZL/345 24 February 2006	All countries	Garlic (<i>Allium sativum</i>) – Import health standard	Plant protection	Comments at any time
New Zealand G/SPS/N/NZL/337/Add.1 24 February 2006	Thailand	Mangosteen (<i>Garcinia mangostana</i>) – Import health standard – Entry into force of new regulation	Plant protection	
New Zealand G/SPS/N/NZL/339/Add.1 24 February 2006	Papua New Guinea	Ginger (<i>Zingiber officinale</i>) – Import health standard – Entry into force of new regulation	Plant protection	
Ecuador G/SPS/N/ECU/9 - EMRG 28 February 2006	Countries trading agricultural products with Ecuador	Agricultural products and sub-products – Phytosanitary certificates	Plant protection	
United States G/SPS/N/USA/1233 24 February 2006	Any US trading partners	Boscalid in strawberry and berries commodities - Pesticides	Food safety Plant protection Protect humans from animal/plant pest or disease	17 March 2006
United States G/SPS/N/USA/1234 24 February 2006	Any US trading partners	Epoxiconazole in coffee beans – Establishment of a tolerance - Pesticides	Food safety Plant protection Protect humans from animal/plant pest or disease	17 March 2006
United States G/SPS/N/USA/1235 24 February 2006	Any US trading partners	Oxytetracycline in pears, peaches and nectarines – Tolerance reassessment - Pesticides	Food safety Plant protection Protect humans from animal/plant pest or disease	17 April 2006
United States G/SPS/N/USA/1236 24 February 2006	Any US trading partners	Propiconazole in agricultural crops, ornamentals and turf – Risk assessments	Food safety Plant protection Protect humans from animal/plant pest or disease	17 April 2006

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United States G/SPS/N/USA/1237 24 February 2006	Any US trading partners	Steptomycin in apples, pears, crops treated including celery, philodendron, tomato, peppers, dieffenbachia cuttings, chrysanthemums, roses, pyracantha, potatoes and tobacco – Risk assessments	Food safety Plant protection Protect humans from animal/plant pest or disease	17 April 2006
United States G/SPS/N/USA/1238 24 February 2006	Any US trading partners	Triadimefon in apples, grapes, pears, pineapples, and raspberries. Non-food uses including pine seedlings, Christmas trees, residential and commercial turf, ornamentals, and landscapes – Risk assessments	Food safety Plant protection Protect humans from animal/plant pest or disease	17 April 2006
United States G/SPS/N/USA/1239 24 February 2006	Any US trading partners	Triadimenol in barley, corn, cotton, oats, rye, sorghum, wheat, bananas and plant commodities – Risk assessment	Food safety Plant protection Protect humans from animal/plant pest or disease	17 April 2006
United States G/SPS/N/USA/1240 24 February 2006	Any US trading partners	Polydextrose in all foods, except meat and poultry.	Food safety	17 March 2006
Thailand G/SPS/N/THA/138/Add.1 24 February 2006	Israel	Live poultry and poultry carcasses – Newcastle disease – Withdrawal of the ban	Animal health	
Ecuador G/SPS/N/ECU/10 - EMRG 28 February 2006	Croatia, Iraq, Nigeria, Romania, Russia, Turkey and Ukraine	Breeding poultry, fertile eggs and products and by-products and derivatives of species <i>Gallus gallus domesticus</i> y <i>Malaegris gallipavo</i> – Avian Influenza	Animal health Protect humans from animal/plant pest or disease	
Ecuador G/SPS/N/ECU/11 - EMRG February 2006	Argentina	Live animals, animal products and by-products - FMD	Animal health	

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Ecuador G/SPS/N/ECU/3/Add.1 28 February 2006	All countries trading agricultural products with Ecuador	Organic production	Food safety Animal Health Plant protection Protect humans from animal/plant pest or disease Protect territory from other damage from pests	n.a.
Ecuador G/SPS/N/ECU/12 28 February 2006	Galapagos and Inter.- islands	Boat disinfection	Plant protection Protect humans from animal/plant pest or disease Protect territory from other damage from pests	n.a.
Chinese Taipei G/SPS/N/TPKM/19/Rev.9/Add.2 27 February 2006	All trading partners, including Tasmania (Australia)	Plants and plant products – Quarantine requirements of <i>Bactrocera tryoni</i> – Entry into force of new regulation	Plant protection	
Argentina G/SPS/N/ARG/86 – EMRG 28 February 2006	Trading partners	Products, by-products, derivatives of animal origin - FMD	Animal health	
Sri Lanka G/SPS/N/LKA/3 28 February 2006	All countries exporting bottled or packaged drinking water to Sri Lanka	Bottled or packaged drinking water	Food safety	60 days after circulation of the notification
United Arab Emirates G/SPS/N/ARE/15 - EMRG 28 February 2006	Nigeria	All kinds of tamed, wild living birds, ornamental birds, offals thereof and by-products – Avian Influenza	Animal health Protect humans from animal/plant pest or disease	

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United Arab Emirates G/SPS/N/ARE/16 – EMRG 28 February 2006	Province of Corrientes (Argentina)	All kinds of hooved living animals and their products - FMD	Animal health Protect humans from animal/plant pest or disease	

n.a. = not available, not identified