

Committee on Sanitary and Phytosanitary Measures

DOCUMENTS AND NOTIFICATIONS CIRCULATED DURING 2005

Note by the Secretariat¹

For the information of the Committee, the Secretariat has compiled the following summary identifying all documents 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 2005.² This summary includes notifications and revised notifications, but does not include addenda and corrigenda to notifications.

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 2004, see G/SPS/GEN/540.

NOTIFICATIONS AND OTHER SPS DOCUMENTS

Country	Notifications		Other SPS Documents		
	Normal	Emergency	Symbol	Subject	Date of Issue
Albania	ALB/3				
Antigua and Barbuda	ATG/1-4				
Argentina	ARG/73-84		G/SPS/GEN/606	Article 6 of the Agreement on the Application of SPS Measures	05.12.05
Armenia		ARM/1			
Australia	AUS/172-189 AUS/193	AUS/190-192	G/SPS/W/172	Monitoring of international harmonization: regionalization	04.03.05
Barbados			G/SPS/GEN/554	Recent establishment of a national enquiry point	30.03.05
Bahrain, Kingdom of	BRH/5-7				
Bolivarian Rep. of Venezuela	VEN/12				
Bolivia	BOL/9 BOL/12-14	BOL/10-11			
Brazil	BRA/99-136		G/SPS/W/177	Improving the application of Article 6 of the SPS Agreement	28.06.05
			G/SPS/GEN/561	Pest free area of Minas Gerais state – <i>Micosphaerella fijiensis</i>	31.05.05
			G/SPS/GEN/562	Pest free area of Ceará state – <i>Anastrepha grandis</i>	31.05.05
			G/SPS/GEN/584	Foot and mouth disease free zone – Brazilian experience on regionalization	05.07.05
			G/SPS/GEN/586	Technical Committee on the health and hygiene of fishery products of Argentina, Brazil, Chile and Uruguay – Equivalence of inspection systems	07.07.05

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			G/SPS/GEN/600	Brazilian approval of the new revised text of the IPPC 1997	24.10.05
			G/SPS/GEN/601	Recognition of the state of Acre and the municipalities of Boca Do Acre and Guajará in the state of Amazonas, Northern region of Brazil, as foot-and-mouth disease – Free zones where vaccinations is practised	24.10.05
			G/SPS/GEN/608	Newcastle disease – Brazilian experience in certifying disease free flocks	08.12.05
			G/SPS/GEN/609	Classical swine fever – Brazilian experience in regionalization	08.12.05
Canada	CAN/158/Rev.1 CAN/188/Rev.1 CAN/196/Rev.1 CAN/237-254	CAN/154/Rev.8-10 CAN/233/Rev.1	G/SPS/GEN/585	Update on developments in Canada regarding Bovine Spongiform Encephalopathy (BSE)	06.07.05
			G/SPS/GEN/613	Implementation of Article 6 of the SPS Agreement (Regionalization)	16.12.05
Chile	CHL/175-198 CHL/200-203	CHL/199	G/SPS/W/170	Second review of the operation and implementation of the SPS Agreement	23.02.05
			G/SPS/W/171	Proposal by Chile to further the discussion concerning the implementation of Article 6 on regionalization	23.02.05
			G/SPS/W/181	Notification of recognition of pest- and disease-free zones - Regionalization	08.12.05
			G/SPS/GEN/610	Experience in the application of the principle of regionalization	07.12.05
China	CHN/81-83 CHN/85-95	CHN/84	G/SPS/GEN/551	Monitoring the use of international standards: ISPM 15	04.03.05
Colombia	COL/94-95 COL/97-103	COL/96 COL/104	G/SPS/GEN/602	Avian influenza – Statement at the meeting held on 24 October 2005	09.11.05

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			G/SPS/GEN/611	Procedures for recognition of pest- or disease- free areas or areas of low pest or disease prevalence under Article 6 of the SPS Agreement	12.12.05
			G/SPS/GEN/612	Experiences in regionalization: FMD	12.12.05
Costa Rica	CRI/37-42	CRI/43	G/SPS/W/180	Second review of the operation and implementation of the SPS Agreement – Prioritization of issues for the future work programmes of the SPS Committee.	25.11.05
			G/SPS/GEN/582	Panama: Concerns regarding the inspection regime applying to imports of products of animal origin – Questions posed by Costa Rica	28.06.05
			G/SPS/GEN/604	Phytosanitary certificate	23.11.05
Cuba	CUB/7-10		G/SPS/GEN/538	Measures implemented in the field of veterinary medicine	25.01.05
Dominican Republic			G/SPS/GEN/587	Current domestic measures to facilitate the implementation of the WTO Agreement on the Application of SPS Measures	
Ecuador	ECU/1-6	ECU/7-8	G/SPS/GEN/591	Establishment of the National Codex Alimentarius Committee	25.07.05
Egypt	EGY/1-2 EGY/4-5	EGY/3			
El Salvador	SLV/61-70				
European Communities	EEC/254 EEC/256 EEC/258-276 EEC/278-279	EEC/255 EEC/257 EEC/277	G/SPS/W/178	Transitional Review Mechanism under paragraph 18 of the Protocol of Accession of the People's Republic of China – Comments for China	04.08.05
			G/SPS/GEN/539	Traceability of food, feed, food-producing animals, and any other substance intended to be, or expected to be, incorporated into a food or feed imported into the Community for placing on the market	04.02.05

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			G/SPS/GEN/556	Implementation of ISPM 15 from 1 March 2005: new requirements for the import of wood packaging material and dunnage for a better protection against the introduction of pests or diseases in the European Union	22.03.05
			G/SPS/GEN/557	Questions and answers on the procedure to obtain import tolerances and the inclusion of active substances for plant protection uses in the European Communities list	29.03.05
			G/SPS/GEN/588	Clarification of Article 6 of the SPS Agreement	08.07.05
Guatemala	GTM/28-35	GTM/27			
Honduras	HND/7-9				
Hong Kong, China	HKG/22				
Iceland		ISL/6-7 ISL/4/Rev.1			
India	IND/18-30 IND/32	IND/31			
Indonesia	IDN/23-25	IDN/26			
Jamaica	JAM/8				
Japan	JPN/132-153		G/SPS/GEN/605	Implementation of Article 6 (Regionalization) of the Agreement on the Application of SPS Measures	05.12.05
Kazakhstan			G/SPS/GEN/544	Transparency	28.02.05
Kenya		KEN/10-15			
Kingdom of Bahrain	BHR/5-7		G/SPS/GEN/537	Adoption of international Codex standards	18.01.05
Korea	KOR/177-197				

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Mauritius			G/SPS/GEN/547	Implementation of international standards	02.03.05
Mexico	MEX/208-210		G/SPS/GEN/491/Add.2		24.05.05
			G/SPS/GEN/491/Add.3		28.11.05
Morocco	MAR/25-26				
Nepal	NPL/1				
Netherlands	NLD/63				
New Zealand	NZL/313-336		G/SPS/W/179	Second review of the operation and implementation of the SPS Agreement – Work programme	25.11.05
			G/SPS/GEN/352/Rev.1	Technical assistance provided to developing country Members by New Zealand since 1 January 1995 - Revision	25.02.05
Nicaragua	NIC/28-30		G/SPS/GEN/575	Status of the national classical swine fever eradication programme in Nicaragua	23.06.05
			G/SPS/GEN/576	Nicaragua initiates brucellosis – and tuberculosis - free certification for farms	23.06.05
Norway	NOR/12 NOR/15	NOR/13-14			
Oman	OMN/1	OMN/2-4			
Panama	PAN/42-46				
Paraguay	PRY/2-4				
Peru	PER/84-88 PER/91-96 PER/98-122	PER/89-90 PER/97 PER/123-124	G/SPS/W/176	Draft report of the Committee on the review of the operation and implementation of the SPS Agreement	24.06.05

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			G/SPS/GEN/558	Current status of foot-and mouth disease	29.03.05
			G/SPS/GEN/578	Recognition of Southern Peru as a foot-and-mouth disease-free zone where vaccination is not practised	27.06.05
			G/SPS/GEN/579	Technical assistance within the framework of the WTO Agreement on the Application of SPS Measures	27.06.05
			G/SPS/GEN/607	Regionalization	06.12.05
Philippines	PHL/76-77 PHL/80 PHL/83-85 PHL/88	PHL/75 PHL/78-79 PHL/81-82 PHL/86-87 PHL/89-91			
Romania		ROU/7			
Singapore	SGP/28 SGP/30	SGP/29 SGP/31			
South Africa		ZAF/22-23			
Sri Lanka	LKA/2		G/SPS/GEN/597	Trade difficulties encountered in the export of Sri Lankan cinnamon to the European Communities	10.10.05
Switzerland	CHE/41-43 CHE/45-46 CHE/48	CHE/36/Rev.2 CHE/44 CHE/47/Rev.1			
Chinese Taipei	TPKM/19/Rev.6-9 TPKM/46-67				
United Arab Emirates	ARE/6-7	ARE/8-12			

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Thailand	THA/121-124 THA/127-128 THA/133-135	THA/125-126 THA/129-132 THA/136-137			
United Arab Emirates	ARE/6-7	ARE/8-12			
United Kingdom		GBR/4			
United States	USA/1017-1187		G/SPS/GEN/181/Add.5	Technical assistance to developing countries provided by the United States - Addendum	15.06.05
			G/SPS/GEN/181/Add.5/Rev.1	Technical assistance to developing countries provided by the United States – Revision	12.07.05
			G/SPS/GEN/594	Transitional review mechanism pursuant to paragraph 18 of the Protocol on the Accession of the People's Republic of China ("China") – Questions from the United States	03.10.05
Uruguay			G/SPS/W/169	Undue delays	15.02.05
St Vincent and the Grenadines	VCT/1				

DOCUMENTS SUBMITTED BY OBSERVERS

Organization	Symbol	Subject	Date of Issue
CODEX	G/SPS/GEN/546	Information on activities of the Codex Alimentarius Commission	28.02.05
	G/SPS/GEN/564	FAO/WHO project and trust fund for enhanced participation in Codex – 28 th session, 4-9 July 2005 – Annual Report for 2004	08.06.05
	G/SPS/GEN/565	FAO/WHO project and fund for enhanced participation in Codex – 28 th session, 4-9 July 2005 – 5 th progress report (Jan-June 2005)	08.06.05
	G/SPS/GEN/566	Information on activities of the Codex Alimentarius Commission	10.06.05
	G/SPS/GEN/599	Information on activities of the Codex Alimentarius Commission	17.10.05
IPPC	G/SPS/GEN/568	Regionalization (excerpts of the 7 th Commission on Phytosanitary Measures report)	17.06.05
	G/SPS/GEN/571	Status of international standards for phytosanitary measures	22.06.05
	G/SPS/GEN/573	Decisions from the 7 th Interim Commission on Phytosanitary Measures	22.06.05
	G/SPS/GEN/581	International plant health risk analysis workshop – Niagara Falls, Canada – 24-28 October 2005	28.06.05
OIE	G/SPS/GEN/542 & Add.1	Official OIE recognition of Member countries' health status	23.02.05
		<i>Idem</i> - Appendix	02.03.05
	G/SPS/GEN/550	List of seminars, workshops and technical meetings organized by the OIE in 2004 and planned for 2005	04.03.05
	G/SPS/GEN/552	New or revised standards being proposed for adoption at the 73 rd OIE General Session (May 2005)	04.03.05
	G/SPS/GEN/569	Avian influenza (Recommendations of OIE/FAO international scientific conference)	20.06.05
	G/SPS/GEN/574	Chapter 1.3.5. - Zoning and compartmentalization	22.06.05
G/SPS/GEN/577	Issues of interest to the SPS Committee discussed by the OIE International Committee at the 73 rd General Session	24.06.05	
IICA	G/SPS/GEN/549	Actions aimed at the implementation of the WTO SPS Agreement	03.03.05
	G/SPS/GEN/570	Actions aimed at the implementation of the WTO SPS Agreement	21.06.05
ISO	G/SPS/GEN/589	Relevant work of the International Standards Organization (ISO)	11.07.05

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OIRSA	G/SPS/GEN/553	Report on activities undertaken by OIRSA in relation to the SPS Agreement	07.03.05
	G/SPS/GEN/580	Report on activities undertaken by OIRSA in relation to the SPS Agreement	27.06.05
UNCTAD	G/SPS/GEN/567	Executive summary of a study on agri-food safety and SPS compliance in Guinea Conakry, Mozambique and Tanzania	17.06.05
WORLD BANK	G/SPS/GEN/555	Standards and trade e-learning course: "Challenges and opportunities for developing country exports" Call for applicants	17.03.05

DOCUMENTS ISSUED BY THE SECRETARIAT

Symbol	Subject	Date of Issue
G/SPS/35	Report on Proposals for Special and Differential Treatment – Adopted by the Committee on 30 June 2005	07.07.05
G/SPS/36	Review of the Operation and Implementation of the SPS Agreement – Report adopted by the Committee on 30 June 2005	11.07.05
G/SPS/37	Procedure to Monitor the Process of International Harmonization – Seventh Annual Report adopted by the Committee on 30 June 2005	19.07.05
G/SPS/38	Report to the Council for Trade in Goods on China's Transitional Review	01.11.05
G/SPS/39	Special and Differential Treatment – Report by the Chairman to the General Council	08.11.05
G/SPS/W/173	Review of the operation and implementation of the SPS Agreement – Draft report of the Committee	11.04.05
G/SPS/W/173/Rev.1	Review of the operation and implementation of the SPS Agreement – Draft report of the Committee	17.06.05
G/SPS/W/173/Rev.2	Review of the operation and implementation of the SPS Agreement – Draft report of the Committee - Revision	28.06.05
G/SPS/W/174	Procedure to monitor the process of international harmonization – Draft seventh annual report	31.05.05
G/SPS/W/175	Draft report on proposals for special and differential treatment	08.06.05
G/SPS/W/175/Rev.1	Draft report on proposals for special and differential treatment - Revision	28.06.05
G/SPS/W/175/Rev.2	Draft report on proposals for special and differential treatment - Revision	30.06.05
G/SPS/GEN/27/Rev.14	Implementation of the transparency obligations - Revision	24.06.05
G/SPS/GEN/204/Rev.5	Summary statistics and graphs for all trade concerns raised from 1995 to 2004	25.02.05
G/SPS/GEN/204/Rev.5/Add.1	Information regarding all issues raised during 2004	25.02.05
G/SPS/GEN/204/Rev.5/Add.2	Information regarding all issues raised from 1995 to 2004 on which no further discussion or activities occurred during 2004	25.02.05
G/SPS/GEN/204/Rev.5/Add.3	Information regarding all issues raised from 1995 to 2004 on which a resolution was reported prior to 2004	25.02.05
G/SPS/GEN/299/Add.1 G/L/520/Add.1	Japan – Measures affecting the importation of apples – Request for consultations by the United States -Addendum	02.09.05
G/SPS/GEN/510/Rev.1	Review of the operation and implementation of the SPS Agreement – Background document - Revision	23.02.05
G/SPS/GEN/536	Notifications issued during the month of December 2004	12.01.05
G/SPS/GEN/541	<i>Idem</i> – January 2005	18.02.05
G/SPS/GEN/548	<i>Idem</i> – February 2005	04.03.05
G/SPS/GEN/559	<i>Idem</i> – March 2005	08.04.05
G/SPS/GEN/560	<i>Idem</i> – April 2005	18.05.05
G/SPS/GEN/563	<i>Idem</i> – May 2005	06.06.05

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G/SPS/GEN/590	<i>Idem</i> – June 2005	18.07.05
G/SPS/GEN/592	<i>Idem</i> – July 2005	11.08.05
G/SPS/GEN/593	<i>Idem</i> – August 2005	16.09.05
G/SPS/GEN/598	<i>Idem</i> – September 2005	14.10.05
G/SPS/GEN/603	<i>Idem</i> – October 2005	14.11.05
G/SPS/GEN/614	<i>Idem</i> – November 2005	22.12.05
G/SPS/GEN/540	Documents and notifications circulated during 2004	17.02.05
G/SPS/GEN/543	Proposals and progress on special and differential treatment	28.02.05
G/SPS/GEN/545	Review of standards related issues identified in the Integrated Framework diagnostic trade integration studies	28.02.05
G/SPS/GEN/572	Update on the operation of the STDF	22.06.05
G/SPS/GEN/583	Dates of meetings of the SPS Committee – 2006	05.07.05
G/SPS/GEN/595	Update on the operation of the STDF	07.10.05
G/SPS/GEN/596	French and Spanish translations for STDF	11.10.05
G/SPS/R/35	Summary of the meeting held on 27-28 October 2004	13.01.05
G/SPS/R/36 & Rev.1	Summary of the meeting held on 9-10 March 2005	04.05.05 14.06.05
G/SPS/R/37 & Rev.1	Summary of the meeting held on 29-30 June 2005	11.08.05 18.08.05
Job(05)24	Annotated Draft Agenda – meeting of 9-10 March 05	01.03.05
Job(05)121	Annotated Draft Agenda – meeting of 29-30 June 05	22.06.05
G/SPS/ENQ/18/Add.1 & Add.2	National enquiry points	03.03.05 23.06.05
G/SPS/NNA/8/Add.1 & Add.2	National notification authorities	04.03.05 23.06.05
G/L/755	Report (2005) on the activities of the SPS Committee	01.11.05