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Notification/ Date of Circulation	Region/Country affected (as identified)	"Product" or issue	Objective	Deadline for submission of comments
United States of America G/SPS/N/USA/1097/Add.1 1 March 2006	Trading partners	All foods – Tomato lycopene extract and tomato lycopene concentrate used as colour additives – Entry into force of new regulation	Food safety	
New Zealand G/SPS/N/NZL/338/Add.1 6 March 2006	Thailand	Ginger (<i>Zingiber officinale</i>) – Import health standard – Entry into force of new regulation	Plant protection	
Nicaragua G/SPS/N/NIC/31 14 March 2006	Trading partners	Various commodities – Technical standard	Plant protection Protect humans from animal/plant pest or disease Protect territory from other damage from pests	60 days after circulation of the notification
Nicaragua G/SPS/N/NIC/32 14 March 2006	Trading partners	Pallets, crating, drums, load boards, wooden spools, dunnage, packing blocks, cases, pallet collars – Technical standard	Plant protection Protect territory from other damage from pests	n.a.
Kenya G/SPS/N/KEN/22 - EMRG 6 March 2006	India	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/23 - EMRG 6 March 2006	Russia, Slovak Republic and Switzerland	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/24 - EMRG 6 March 2006	Austria, Hong Kong (SARPRC), Hungary, Malaysia (Peninsular) and Niger	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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Kenya G/SPS/N/KEN/25 - EMRG 6 March 2006	Egypt	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	
Philippines G/SPS/N/PHL/95 - EMRG 6 March 2006	Nigeria	Live poultry, poultry meat, day-old chicks, eggs and semen – Avian Influenza	Animal health	
Colombia G/SPS/N/COL/107 - EMRG 6 March 2006	Ecuador	Rice – Liposcelis paetus and rice stink bug	Food safety Plant protection Protect territory from other damage from pests	
Chinese Taipei G/SPS/N/TPKM/78 6 March 2006	Korea	Fresh fruit of <i>Malus</i> spp., <i>Pyrus</i> spp., and <i>Prunus persica</i> – Peach fruit moth	Plant protection	n.a.
Kenya G/SPS/N/KEN/26 – EMRG 6 March 2006	Bosnia and Herzegovina	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	
European Communities G/SPS/N/EEC/283 6 March 2006	EC member States and countries exporting these products to the European Communities	Various pesticides – MRLs in cereals, foodstuffs of animal origin and certain products of plant origin, including fruit and vegetables	Food safety Plant protection	60 days after circulation of the notification
European Communities G/SPS/N/EEC/284 6 March 2006	EC member States and countries exporting these products to the European Communities	Various pesticides – MRLs in cereals, foodstuffs of animal origin and certain products of plant origin, including fruit and vegetables	Food safety Plant protection	60 days after circulation of the notification
Colombia G/SPS/N/COL/93/Add.2 15 March 2006	Countries trading with Colombia	Tinned sardines – Sanitary requirements – Entry into force of a new regulation	Food safety Animal health Protect territory from other damage from pests	

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Philippines G/SPS/N/PHL/96 - EMRG 8 March 2006	Egypt and India	Live poultry, poultry meat, day-old chicks, eggs and semen – Avian Influenza	Animal health	
Philippines G/SPS/N/PHL/97 - EMRG 8 March 2006	Greece and Italy	Live poultry, poultry meat, day-old chicks, eggs and semen – Avian Influenza	Animal health	
Philippines G/SPS/N/PHL/98 - EMRG 8 March 2006	Azerbaijan, Bulgaria and Slovenia	Live poultry, poultry meat, day-old chicks, eggs and semen – Avian Influenza	Animal health	
Kenya G/SPS/N/KEN/27 – EMRG 8 March 2006	Whole of Asia, Iran and the United Kingdom	Domestic and wild birds, hatching eggs, table eggs and 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	
Japan G/SPS/N/JPN/158 8 March 2006	All countries	Cereals, forage and mixed feed - MRLs in animal feed	Food safety Animal health	60 days after circulation of the notification
New Zealand G/SPS/N/NZL/346 8 March 2006	All countries	Nursery stock – Import health standard	Plant protection	28 April 2006
Korea G/SPS/N/KOR/98/Add.12 - EMRG 8 March 2006	Poland and Switzerland	Propagative and non-propagative materials – Sudden Oak Death disease	Plant protection	
United States of America G/SPS/N/USA/1241 8 March 2006	Any US trading partners	Boric acid/sodium borate salts in forests and ornamental lawns and turf – Risk assessment	Food safety Animal health Plant protection Protect humans from animal/plant pest or disease	24 April 2006
Oman G/SPS/N/OMN/5 14 March 2006	All countries	Food products – Expiration periods	Food safety	17 May 2006
Peru G/SPS/N/PER/128 – EMRG 9 March 2006	Countries listed in the notification	Birds – Avian Influenza	Animal health	

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Peru G/SPS/N/PER/129 10 March 2006	All countries	Rice grains – Food safety and marketing quality	Food safety	20 May 2006
United States of America G/SPS/N/USA/1242 9 March 2006	Any US trading partners	Tridemorph in bananas and plantains – Yellow and black sigatoka	Food safety Plant protection Protect humans from animal/plant pest or disease	24 March 2006
United States of America G/SPS/N/USA/1143/Add.1 9 March 2006	Any US trading partners	Ethylene oxide in spices and other seasoning materials – Risk assessments	Food safety Plant protection Protect humans from animal/plant pest or disease	24 April 2006
Sri Lanka G/SPS/N/LKA/4 - EMRG 9 March 2006	All countries affected by Avian Influenza	Live domestic and wild birds, eggs, meat and meat products of domestic and wild birds including products intended for animal feed and for agricultural and industrial use and feathers – Avian Influenza	Food safety Animal health Protect humans from animal/plant pest or disease	
Egypt G/SPS/N/EGY/10 9 March 2006	All countries	Honey and honey bees	Protect territory from other damage from pests	1 April 2006
Egypt G/SPS/N/EGY/11 9 March 2006	All countries	All products requiring phytosanitary certificates	Plant protection	1 April 2006
Bolivia G/SPS/N/BOL/16 31 March 2006	Countries trading with Bolivia, Colombia, Ecuador, Peru and Venezuela	Live bovine animals, their products and by- products – Health requirements	Food safety Animal health	60 days after circulation of the notification
Thailand G/SPS/N/THA/141 - EMRG 13 March 2006	Austria, Bulgaria, Cyprus, France, Germany, Greece, Hungary, Italy and Slovenia	Live poultry and poultry carcasses – Avian Influenza	Animal health	

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Korea G/SPS/N/KOR/198/Add.1 13 March 2006	Countries exporting these products to Korea	Agricultural products and their processed products – GMOs – Extension of the comment period	Food safety Animal health Plant protection Protect humans from animal/plant pest or disease	9 April 2006
United States of America G/SPS/N/USA/1243 13 March 2006	Any US trading partners	Fomesafen in dry beans, snap beans, cotton seed and gin by-products	Food safety Plant protection Protect humans from animal/plant pest or disease	31 March 2006
United States of America G/SPS/N/USA/1244 13 March 2006	Any US trading partners	Hexythazox – MRLs in field corn	Food safety Animal health Plant protection Protect humans from animal/plant pest or disease	31 March 2006
United States of America G/SPS/N/USA/1245 13 March 2006	Any US trading partners	Bentazon – MRLs in peaches and nectarines	Food safety Animal health Plant protection Protect humans from animal/plant pest or disease	31 March 2006
United States of America G/SPS/N/USA/1246 13 March 2006	Any US trading partners	Endosulfan, diazinon and carbaryl in cherry nursery stock dip, peach nursery stock dip, plum nursery stock dip, strawberries	Food safety Plant protection Protect humans from animal/plant pest or disease	31 March 2006
Korea G/SPS/N/KOR/202 14 March 2006	Tonga	Squash pumpkin – Quarantine requirements	Plant protection	n.a.
Korea G/SPS/N/KOR/203 14 March 2006	Michoacan region (Mexico)	Avocado – Quarantine requirements	Plant protection	n.a.

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Philippines G/SPS/N/PHL/99 – EMRG 14 March 2006	Germany	Live poultry, poultry meat, day-old chicks, eggs and semen – Avian Influenza	Animal health	
Philippines G/SPS/N/PHL/100 – EMRG 14 March 2006	France	Live poultry, poultry meat, day-old chicks, eggs and semen – Avian Influenza	Animal health	
United States of America G/SPS/N/USA/1138/Add.1 14 March 2006	Costa Rica, El Salvador, Guatemala, Honduras and Nicaragua	Peppers – Quarantine pests – Entry into force of a new regulation	Plant protection	
United States of America G/SPS/N/USA/1187/Add.1 14 March 2006	Canada, Canary Islands and Israel	Nursery stock – Extension of the comment period	Plant protection	31 March 2006
Chile G/SPS/N/CHL/211 16 March 2006	EC member States	Quince reproductive material – Phytosanitary requirements	Plant protection	20 April 2006
Chile G/SPS/N/CHL/212 16 March 2006	State of California (United States of America)	Fresh carrots – Phytosanitary requirements	Plant protection	20 April 2006
Chile G/SPS/N/CHL/213 16 March 2006	All countries exporting these products to Chile	Dried vegetable products for consumption – Phytosanitary requirements	Plant protection	20 April 2006
Chinese Taipei G/SPS/N/TPKM/79 15 March 2006	Australia (excluding Riverland and Tasmania)	Fresh fruits – Quarantine requirements and Mediterranean fruit fly or Queensland fruit fly	Plant protection	n.a.
United States of America G/SPS/N/USA/1247 16 March	Any US trading partners	Azoxystrobin – MRLs in various commodities	Food safety Animal health Plant protection Protect humans from animal/plant pest or disease	7 April 2006
United States of America G/SPS/N/USA/1248 16 March 2006	Any US trading partners	Dimethomorph in brassica – Establishment of a tolerance	Food safety Plant protection Protect humans from animal/plant pest or disease	10 April 2006

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United States of America G/SPS/N/USA/1249 16 March 2006	Any US trading partners	Residues of various ethylenediaminetetraacetic acid (EDTA) chemicals in or on raw agricultural commodities Exemptions from the requirement of a tolerance	Food safety Plant protection Protect humans from animal/plant pest or disease	8 May 2006
Cuba G/SPS/N/CUB/15 - EMRG 27 March 2006	Africa, Asia and Europe	Live poultry and eggs – Avian Influenza	Animal health Protect humans from animal/plant pest or disease	
European Communities G/SPS/N/EEC/103/Add.11 17 March 2006	EC member States and countries exporting these products to the European Communities	Animal products and by-products not for human consumption – Processing of milk and milk products intended for feeding – Entry into force of a new regulation	Food safety Animal health Protect humans from animal/plant pest or disease	n.a.
Malaysia G/SPS/N/MYS/16/Add.1 - EMRG 17 March 2006	United States of America	Live bovine animals, beef and beef products and products thereof – BSE – Withdrawal of the ban	Food safety Animal health Protect humans from animal/plant pest or disease	
Chinese Taipei G/SPS/N/TPKM/80 20 March 2006	Countries exporting these products to Chinese Taipei	Acephate, mmethamidophos, methomyl, mevinphos and phosalone in edible flowers – Revocation of pesticide residue limits	Food safety	10 May 2006
United States of America G/SPS/N/USA/1250 20 March 2006	Any US trading partners	All biochemical and microbial pesticide products	Food safety Animal health Plant protection Protect humans from animal/plant pest or disease	6 June 2006
United States of America G/SPS/N/USA/1251 20 March 2006	Any US trading partners	Spinosad – MRLs in various commodities – Entry into force of a new regulation	Food safety Plant protection Protect humans from animal/plant pest or disease	Objections and requests for hearings must be received by 8 May 2006

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United States of America G/SPS/N/USA/1176/Add.1 20 March 2006	Any US trading partners	Flumiclorac pentyl ester – MRLs in cotton – Entry into force of a new regulation	Food safety Plant protection Protect humans from animal/plant pest or disease	
United States of America G/SPS/N/USA/828/Add.4 20 March 2006	Canada	Live ruminants and ruminant products – BSE – Entry into force of a new regulation	Animal health	
Canada G/SPS/N/CAN/258 20 March 2006	Not stated	Citric acid in fruits and vegetable products	Food safety	Not for comment at this time. A comment period will be provided in a revision of this notification
Macao, China G/SPS/N/MAC/9 – EMRG 20 March 2006	United States of America	Bovine meat - BSE	Food safety Protect humans from animal/plant pest or disease	
India G/SPS/N/IND/37 20 March 2006	All trading partners exporting these products to India	Food items including processed food items	Food safety	No comments period
Brazil G/SPS/N/BRA/145 23 March 2006	All countries	Plant products from musaceae and heliconiaceae families – <i>Mycosphaerella fijiensis</i>	Plant protection	n.a.
Brazil G/SPS/N/BRA/146 23 March 2006	All countries	Imazalil – MRLs in melon	Food safety	24 February 2006
Brazil G/SPS/N/BRA/147 23 March 2006	All countries	11-hexadecenyl acetate in broccoli, kale and cabbage	Food safety	22 March 2006
Brazil G/SPS/N/BRA/148 23 March 2006	All countries	Bifenthrin – MRLs in banana	Food safety	26 March 2006
Brazil G/SPS/N/BRA/149 23 March 2006	United States of America	Potato seeds (<i>Solanum tuberosum</i>) – Phytosanitary requirements	Plant protection Protect territory from other damage from pests	n.a.

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Brazil G/SPS/N/BRA/150 23 March 2006	All countries	Cocoa beans – Quality requirements	Food safety	60 days after circulation of the notification
Brazil G/SPS/N/BRA/151 23 March 2006	India	Bovine embryos collected <i>in vivo</i> – Sanitary requirements	Animal health	n.a.
Brazil G/SPS/N/BRA/152 23 March 2006	All countries	Veterinarian products	Animal health	n.a.
Brazil G/SPS/N/BRA/153 23 March 2006	All countries	Apples – Quality requirements	Food safety	n.a.
Brazil G/SPS/N/BRA/154 23 March 2006	All countries	Prevention and control of Newcastle Disease and Avian Influenza	Animal health Protect humans from animal/plant pest or disease Protect territory from other damage from pests	22 March 2006
Brazil G/SPS/N/BRA/155 23 March 2006	All countries	Establishment of an FMD free zone	Animal health Protect humans from animal/plant pest or disease	na.
Brazil G/SPS/N/BRA/156 23 March 2006	All countries	Pear – Quality requirements	Food safety	n.a.
Brazil G/SPS/N/BRA/157 23 March 2006	All countries	FMD–susceptible animals and derived products	Animal health Protect humans from animal/plant pest or disease	n.a.
Brazil G/SPS/N/BRA/158 23 March 2006	Ukraine	Wheat (Triticum aestivum) – Phytosanitary requirements	Plant protection Protect territory from other damage from pests	n.a.

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Brazil G/SPS/N/BRA/86/Add.1 23 March 2006	All countries	Semiochemical products – Registration, toxicological and environmental evaluation – Entry into force of a new regulation	Food safety Animal health Plant protection	
Brazil G/SPS/N/BRA/90/Add.1 23 March 2006	All countries	Natural enemies used in biological control - Registration, toxicological and environmental evaluation – Entry into force of a new regulation	Food safety Animal health Plant protection	
Nepal G/SPS/N/NPL/2 - EMRG 20 March	All countries	All live birds and their products – Avian Influenza	Animal health Protect humans from animal/plant pest or disease	
United States of America G/SPS/N/USA/1252 23 March 2006	Any US trading partners	Quillaja Saponaira extract in all food commodities – Exemption from the requirement of a tolerance	Food safety Animal health Plant protection Protect humans from animal/plant pest or disease	14 April 2006
United States of America G/SPS/N/USA/1253 23 March 2006	Any US trading partners	Mancozeb in various commodities – Establishment of a tolerance	Food safety Plant protection Protect humans from animal/plant pest or disease	14 April 2006
United States of America G/SPS/N/USA/1254 23 March 2006	Any US trading partners	Vegetable oils in dietary supplements – Entry into force of a new regulation	Food safety	12 April 2006
Australia G/SPS/N/AUS/195 23 March 2006	All countries	Milk and milk products at the primary production level	Food safety	15 May 2006
Australia G/SPS/N/AUS/196 23 March 2006	All countries	Processed foods - GMOs	Food safety	12 May 2006
Philippines G/SPS/N/PHL/101 - EMRG 23 March 2006	Austria, Bosnia and Herzegovina and Malaysia	Live poultry, poultry meat, day-old chicks, eggs and semen – Avian Influenza	Animal health	

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Philippines G/SPS/N/PHL/102 - EMRG 23 March 2006	Egypt and Turkey	Live horses, cattle, swine, goat, sheep, lamb, their meat and meat products and other products derived from these animals - FMD	Animal health	
New Zealand G/SPS//N/NZL/347 23 March 2006	All countries exporting these products to New Zealand	Processed foods - GMOs	Food safety	12 May 2006
New Zealand G/SPS//N/NZL/317/Add.1 23 March 2006	Vanuatu	Citrus – Import health standard – Entry into force of a new regulation	Plant protection	
United States of America G/SPS/N/USA/1255 23 March 2006	Any US trading partners	Biochemical and microbial pesticide products	Food safety Plant protection Protect humans from animal/plant pest or disease	n.a.
Egypt G/SPS/N/EGY/12 - EMRG 24 March 2006	Corrientes (Argentina)	Live animals and their meat - FMD	Animal health Protect humans from animal/plant pest or disease	
Thailand G/SPS/N/THA/142 27 March 2006	All countries	Live carps (<i>Cyprinus carpio</i>) and their gametes – Health requirements	Animal health	20 April 2006
Brazil G/SPS/N/BRA/159 27 March 2006	All countries	(Z)-11-hexadecenyl in broccoli, kale and cabbage	Food safety	22 March 2006
United States of America G/SPS/N/USA/1256 29 March 2006	Any US trading partners	Boscalid in various food commodities	Food safety Plant protection Protect humans from animal/plant pest or disease	17 April 2006
United States of America G/SPS/N/USA/1257 29 March 2006	Any US trading partners	Bromine in potable water	Food safety Plant protection Protect humans from animal/plant pest or disease	17 April 2006

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United States of America G/SPS/N/USA/1258 29 March 2006	Any US trading partners	Potable water	Food safety Plant protection Protect humans from animal/plant	17 April 2006
United States of America G/SPS/N/USA/1220/Add.1 29 March 2006	Any US trading partners	Cry3A protein in corn – GMOs - Extension of the exemption from the requirement of a tolerance	Food safety Plant protection Protect humans from animal/plant pest or disease	Objections and requests for hearings must be received by 15 May 2006
Chinese Taipei G/SPS/N/TPKM/81 29 March 2006	Listed in the notification	Plants or plant products – Quarantine requirements	Plant protection	27 April 2006
United States of America G/SPS/N/USA/856/Add.3 - EMRG 28 March 2006	Albania, Azerbaijan, Cameroon, Egypt, India, Kazakhastan, Malaysia, Myanmar, Nigeria, Romania, Russian Federation, Turkey and Ukraine	Birds and bird products – Avian influenza	Protect humans from animal/plant pest or disease	
United Arab Emirates G/SPS/N/ARE/17 - EMRG 29 March 2006	Albania	All kind of tame, wild and ornamental birds and products and offals therefrom – Avian Influenza	Animal health Protect humans from animal/plant pest or disease	
United Arab Emirates G/SPS/N/ARE/18 - EMRG 29 March 2006	Cameroon	All kind of tame, wild and ornamental birds and products and offals therefrom – Avian Influenza	Animal health Protect humans from animal/plant pest or disease	
Peru G/SPS/N/PER/130 - EMRG 29 March 2006	Listed in the notification	Live poultry, eggs, poultry meat, products and by-products – Avian Influenza	Animal health	
Philippines G/SPS/N/PHL/103 - EMRG 31 March 2006	Argentina	Live horses, cattle, swine, goat, sheep, lamb, their meat and meat products and other products derived from these animals – FMD-	Animal health	

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United Arab Emirates G/SPS/N/ARE/7/Corr.1 31 March 2006	Countries affected by these diseases	Palm trees and seedlings – Lethal yellowing disease, Bayoud disease and palm red weevil	Plant protection	n.a.
Brazil G/SPS/N/BRA/160 31 March 2006	All countries	Cymoxanil – MRLs in melon, watermelon, onion	Food safety	24 February 2006
Brazil G/SPS/N/BRA/161 31 March 2006	All countries	Triophanate-methyl – MRLs in cotton	Food safety	26 February 2006
Brazil G/SPS/N/BRA/162 31 March 2006	All countries	Clodinafop-propargyl – MRLs in wheat	Food safety	11 February 2006
Brazil G/SPS/N/BRA/163 31 March 2006	All countries	Famoxadone – MRLs in watermelon, melon	Food safety	24 February 2006
Brazil G/SPS/N/BRA/164 31 March 2006	All countries	Carbaryl – MRLs in cotton	Food safety	15April 2006
Chinese Taipei G/SPS/N/TPKM/82 30 March 2006	Countries exporting these products to Chinese Taipei	Drug residues in fish and shrimp	Food safety	20 May 2006

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n.a. = not available, not identified