

Committee on Sanitary and Phytosanitary Measures

DOCUMENTS AND NOTIFICATIONS CIRCULATED DURING 2009

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, observers 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 2009.² 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.

² For documents issued in 2008, see G/SPS/GEN/897.

NOTIFICATIONS AND OTHER SPS DOCUMENTS

Country	Notifications		Other SPS Documents		
	Normal	Emergency	Symbol	Subject	Date of Issue
Albania		ALB/97-125			
Argentina	ARG/123-129		G/SPS/W/233	Article 12.2 – Consultations	18.02.09
			G/SPS/W/241	Good Offices of the Chairperson	12.06.09
			G/SPS/W/242	Proposed Revision of the Procedure to Enhance Transparency of Special and Differential Treatment in Favour of Developing Country Members (G/SPS/33)	16.06.09
			G/SPS/W/244	Control Inspection and Approval Procedures	15.09.09
			G/SPS/W/245	Third Review of the SPS Agreement – Guidelines on the Implementation of Art. 13 of the SPS Agreement	15.09.09
			G/SPS/W/246	Legal Framework for Private Standards in the WTO	30.09.09
			G/SPS/W/249	Private Standards	23.12.09
			G/SPS/GEN/923	Phytosanitary Import Authorization (AFIDI)	18.05.09
			G/SPS/GEN/940	Project on Cooperation for Harmonization of Veterinary and Phytosanitary Standards and Procedures, Food Safety and Differentiated Agricultural Production	16.06.09
		G/SPS/GEN/987	National Prevention Programme for HLB (Huanglongbing)	22.12.09	
Australia	AUS/229-236 AUS/238-242	AUS/237	G/SPS/W/238 & Corr.1	Third Review of the WTO SPS Agreement – Proposal from China - Comments from Australia on G/SPS/W/234	05.05.09
Bahrain	BHR/21-63				

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Barbados		BRB/2			
Belize			G/SPS/GEN/911	Private and Commercial Standards	16.03.09
			G/SPS/GEN/912	Technical Assistance from the European Communities to Enhance National SPS Capacity in Belize	16.03.09
			G/SPS/GEN/913	Newcastle Disease	16.03.09
			G/SPS/GEN/920	Declaration of the Entire Territory of Belize as Free from the Mediterranean Fruit Fly (<i>Ceratitits Capitata</i>)	28.04.09
			G/SPS/GEN/978	Strengthening of Sanitary and Phytosanitary (SPS) Capacity to Increase Competitiveness of Belizean Products in the Export Markets	10.11.09
			G/SPS/GEN/980	Technical Assistance	10.11.09
Brazil	BRA/511-524 BRA/525/Rev.1-601		G/SPS/W/244	Control Inspection and Approval Procedures	15.09.09
			G/SPS/W/245	Third Review of the SPS Agreement – Guidelines on the Implementation of Art. 13 of the SPS Agreement	15.09.09
			G/SPS/W/246	Legal Framework for Private Standards in the WTO	30.09.09
			G/SPS/W/248	Article 12.2 – Consultations	26.10.09
			G/SPS/W/249	Private Standards	23.12.09
			G/SPS/GEN/922	Information on the Outbreaks of A/H1N1 Human Influenza Virus	13.05.09
			G/SPS/GEN/940	Project on Cooperation for Harmonization of Veterinary and Phytosanitary Standards and Procedures, Food Safety and Differentiated Agricultural Production	16.06.09

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Canada	CAN/357/Rev.1 CAN/375-376 CAN/378-413	CAN/377			
Chile	CHL/290-310 CHL/311/Rev.1 CHL/318		G/SPS/GEN/952	Recognition of "Negligible Risk" Status with Regard to Bovine Spongiform Encephalopathy (BSE)	23.06.09
			G/SPS/GEN/953	International Technical Cooperation Internships in Chile	23.06.09
			G/SPS/GEN/981	Health Status, Transparency and Trade Reactions	12.11.09
China	CHN/111-115 CHN/119-199 CHN/111/Suppl.1 CHN/121/Suppl.1	CHN/116-118 CHN/200	G/SPS/W/234	Third Review of the WTO/SPS Agreement	19.02.09
			G/SPS/W/234/Add.1	Third Review of the WTO/SPS Agreement – China's Responses to Comments on G/SPS/W/234	22.06.09
			G/SPS/GEN/985	China's Safety Administrative System for Export Poultry and Poultry Products	08.12.09
Colombia	COL/166-171 COL/174-185	COL/172-173	G/SPS/GEN/983	Suspension of Inspection and Delivery of Plant and Animal Health Certificates for Imports from Colombia by the Bolivarian Republic of Venezuela	18.11.09
			G/SPS/GEN/984	New Structure of the Colombian Agricultural Institute (ICA)	23.11.09
Costa Rica	CRI/72-76 CRI/79-81	CRI/77-78 CRI/82	G/SPS/GEN/930	Information on Measures to be Taken to Prevent the Entry of the Huanglongbing (HLB) Bacterium that Attacks Citrus Fruit	12.06.09

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Costa Rica (cont'd)			G/SPS/GEN/955	Costa Rica on Alert Due to the Presence of the South American Cucurbit Fruit Fly (<i>Anastrepha Grandis</i>) in Panama	20.06.09
			G/SPS/GEN/962	Phytosanitary State of Emergency Due to the Cotton Rat Pest (<i>Sigmodon spp.</i>)	16.09.09
			G/SPS/GEN/966	Costa Rica Declares Itself Free from Classical Swine Fever	16.10.09
Dominican Rep.	DOM/5-27				
Ecuador	ECU/82		G/SPS/GEN/901	Communication from Ecuador	06.02.09
			G/SPS/GEN/982	Progress in the Area of Sanitary and Phytosanitary Measures	12.11.09
Egypt	EGY/33-36	EGY/37			
El Salvador	SLV/86-88				
European Communities ³	EEC/340-367		G/SPS/GEN/896	Control Regime Applicable for Imports from Third Countries of Certain Products of Animal Origin and of Live Animals with Regard to Provisions Related to the Agreement Between the European Communities and the Swiss Confederation on Trade in Agricultural Products	29.01.09
			G/SPS/GEN/925	Guidelines as Regards Measures to be Taken Concerning the Presence of Nicotine in Wild Mushrooms	18.05.09
			G/SPS/GEN/949	Guidance Document on the Animal Health Requirements for Placing on the Market, Import and Transit of Aquaculture Animals According to Council Directive 2006/88/EC and Commission Regulation (EC) N° 1251/2008	19.06.09

³ On 1 December 2009, the Treaty of Lisbon amending the Treaty on European Union and the Treaty establishing the European Community (done at Lisbon, 13 December 2007) entered into force. On 29 November 2009, the WTO received a Verbal Note (WT/L/779) from the Council of the European Union and the Commission of the European Communities stating that, by virtue of the Treaty of Lisbon, as of 1 December 2009, the European Union replaces and succeeds the European Community.

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European Communities (cont'd)			G/SPS/GEN/968	Transitional Review Mechanism Pursuant to Paragraph 18 of the Protocol on the Accession of the People's Republic of China - Questions from the European Communities to China concerning Sanitary and Phytosanitary Measures	20.10.09
			G/SPS/GEN/970	Relationship Between the SPS Committee and the Three International Standard-Setting Bodies Referenced in the SPS Agreement	21.10.09
			G/SPS/GEN/976	Application and Amendment of European Communities Regulation No. 258/97 Concerning Novel Foods	06.11.09
Fiji	FJI/3-4				
Former Yugoslav Rep. of Macedonia	MKD/2	MKD/1 MKD/3			
Guatemala	GTM/45-46				
Honduras	HND/32				
Hong Kong, China	HKG/31				
India	IND/59-62		G/SPS/W/236 & Rev.1	Third Review of the SPS Agreement	03.11.09
Indonesia	IDN/40-42		G/SPS/GEN/946	Free Status of Khapra Beetle (<i>Trogoderma granarium</i> Everts) in the Territory of Indonesia	18.06.09
Israel	ISR/7-8				
Japan	JPN/223-242				
Jordan	JOR/19	JOR/20-21			
Kenya	KEN/29				

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Korea, Rep. of	KOR/309-312 KOR/314-317 KOR/319-338 KOR/340-353	KOR/313 KOR/318 KOR/339			
Kuwait		KWT/2-3			
Madagascar			G/SPS/GEN/975	Sanitary and Phytosanitary Status	27.10.09
Malaysia	MYS/20-24				
Mexico	MEX/215-221	MEX/222	G/SPS/GEN/491/Add.9 & 10	National Standardization Programme for 2009	04.05.09 17.09.09
			G/SPS/GEN/908	Report on Activities Undertaken with a View to Declaring the Entire Territory of Mexico Free from Classical Swine Fever	25.02.09
			G/SPS/GEN/921	Information on Outbreaks of A/H1N1 Human Influenza Virus on Mexican Territory	05.05.09
			G/SPS/GEN/988	Article 12.2 – Consultations – Comments from Mexico on the Proposal by Brazil (G/SPS/W/248)	23.12.09
			G/SPS/GEN/989	Recommended Procedure for Ad Hoc Consultations or Negotiations Among Members Under the SPS Agreement (Article 12.2) - Comments by Mexico on Document G/SPS/W/243	23.12.09
Nepal	NPL/12				
New Zealand	NZL/416-418	NZL/419			
	NZL/420-435				
Nicaragua	NIC/51				
Panama			G/SPS/GEN/945	Colombia: Concerns Regarding Exports of Processed Chicken Products from Panama	17.06.09

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Paraguay			G/SPS/W/244	Control Inspection and Approval Procedures	15.09.09
			G/SPS/W/245	Third Review of the SPS Agreement – Guidelines on the Implementation of Art. 13 of the SPS Agreement	15.09.09
			G/SPS/W/246	Legal Framework for Private Standards in the WTO	30.09.09
			G/SPS/W/249	Private Standards	23.12.09
			G/SPS/GEN/934	Activities of Members	16.06.09
			G/SPS/GEN/935	Harmonization	16.06.09
			G/SPS/GEN/936	Technical Assistance and Cooperation	16.06.09
			G/SPS/GEN/937	Transparency of the Official Veterinary Service	16.06.09
		G/SPS/GEN/940	Project on Cooperation for Harmonization of Veterinary and Phytosanitary Standards and Procedures, Food Safety and Differentiated Agricultural Production	16.06.09	
Peru	PER/238-240				
Philippines	PHL/150-152 PHL/154-155 PHL/161-163 PHL/165-169	PHL/148-149 PHL/153 PHL/156-160 PHL/164	G/SPS/GEN/906	Regionalization – Pest-Free Areas	24.02.09
Qatar	QAT/3-8				
Singapore	SGP/37		G/SPS/GEN/959	Optical Watermark on Export Certificates	01.09.09
South Africa	ZAF/26				
Sri Lanka	LKA/14-18				
Swaziland		SWZ/1			

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Switzerland			G/SPS/GEN/967	Voluntary Standards	20.10.09
Chinese Taipei	TPKM/148-177				
Thailand	THA/175-183				
Turkey	TUR/6-7				
Ukraine	UKR/3/Rev.1-2 UKR/1/Suppl.1	UKR/2 UKR/4-7			
Uruguay			G/SPS/W/244	Control Inspection and Approval Procedures	15.09.09
			G/SPS/W/245	Third Review of the SPS Agreement – Guidelines on the Implementation of Art. 13 of the SPS Agreement	15.09.09
			G/SPS/W/246	Legal Framework for Private Standards in the WTO	30.09.09
			G/SPS/W/249	Private Standards	23.12.09
			G/SPS/GEN/940	Project on Cooperation for Harmonization of Veterinary and Phytosanitary Standards and Procedures, Food Safety and Differentiated Agricultural Production	16.06.09
United States	USA/1893-1900 USA/1902-1924 USA/1928-1933 USA/1935-1961 USA/1963-1966	USA/1901 USA/1925-1927 USA/1934 USA/1962	G/SPS/W/233	Article 12.2 – Consultations	18.02.09
			G/SPS/GEN/963	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 to China Concerning Sanitary and Phytosanitary Measures	07.10.09
Viet Nam	VNM/5-16		G/SPS/GEN/931	Report on Food Hygiene and Safety Control in Basa Catfish Industry in Viet Nam	15.06.09
Zambia			G/SPS/GEN/941	Plant Quarantine and Phytosanitary Service (PQPS) in Zambia Agriculture Research Institute	17.06.09
			G/SPS/GEN/965	Pest Survey Programmes	15.10.09

DOCUMENTS SUBMITTED BY OBSERVERS

Organization	Symbol	Subject	Date of Issue
CODEX	G/SPS/GEN/909	Information on Activities	25.02.09
	G/SPS/GEN/916	Participation of Developing Countries in the Work of Codex - Data on the Participation of Developing Countries in Codex Sessions <i>Extract from Document CX/GP 09/25/9 Prepared for the Twenty-Fifth Session of the Codex Committee on General Principles (Paris, France, 30 March – 4 April 2009)</i>	26.03.09
	G/SPS/GEN/927	Information on Codex Existing and Ongoing Work on Food Control, Inspection and Sampling	09.06.09
	G/SPS/GEN/928	Information on Activities	11.06.09
	G/SPS/GEN/938	Capacity Building for Food Standards and Regulations (June 2009)	16.06.09
	G/SPS/GEN/973	Information on Activities	26.10.09
IPPC	G/SPS/GEN/915	International Plant Protection Convention	16.03.09
	G/SPS/GEN/926	Report of the International Plant Protection Convention	08.06.09
	G/SPS/GEN/929	IPPC's Contribution on Control Management, Inspection and Approval Procedure	11.06.09
	G/SPS/GEN/979	Matters of Interest Arising from the Work of Observer Organizations	10.11.09
OIE	G/SPS/GEN/905	Communication from the World Organization for Animal Health (OIE)	19.02.09
	G/SPS/GEN/942	Sanitary Issues Arising from the Novel A/H1N1 Influenza Situation	17.06.09
	G/SPS/GEN/943	Communication from the World Organization for Animal Health (OIE)	17.06.09
	G/SPS/GEN/947	Existing and Ongoing Work on Control, Inspection and Sampling (G/SPS/W/234)	18.06.09
	G/SPS/GEN/971	Relevant Recent Activities of the World Organization for Animal Health (OIE)	21.10.09
IICA	G/SPS/GEN/904	Actions aimed at the Implementation of the SPS Agreement	19.02.09
	G/SPS/GEN/950	Actions aimed at the Implementation of the SPS Agreement	19.06.09
	G/SPS/GEN/972	Actions aimed at the Implementation of the SPS Agreement	23.10.09
ITC	G/SPS/GEN/914	Report of the International Trade Centre	16.03.09
	G/SPS/GEN/951	Report of the International Trade Centre	23.06.09

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OIRSA	G/SPS/GEN/907	Activities undertaken by OIRSA relating to the SPS Agreement	25.02.09
	G/SPS/GEN/948	Activities undertaken by OIRSA relating to the SPS Agreement	18.06.09
	G/SPS/GEN/974	Activities undertaken by OIRSA relating to the SPS Agreement	26.10.09

DOCUMENTS ISSUED BY THE SECRETARIAT

Symbol	Subject	Date of Issue
G/SPS/33/Rev.1	Procedure to Enhance Transparency of Special and Differential Treatment in Favour of Developing Country Members	18.12.09
G/SPS/51	Procedure to Monitor the Process of International Harmonization Eleventh Annual Report Adopted by the Committee on 27 July 2009	29.07.09
G/SPS/52	Report to the Council for Trade in Goods on the Transitional Review under Paragraph 18 of the Protocol of Accession of the People's Republic of China	11.11.09
G/SPS/W/224/Rev.2	Proposed Revision of the Procedure to Enhance Transparency of Special and Differential Treatment in Favour of Developing Country Members (G/SPS/33)	26.01.09
G/SPS/W/224/Rev.3	<i>Idem</i>	27.03.09
G/SPS/W/224/Rev.4	<i>Idem</i>	13.05.09
G/SPS/W/224/Rev.5	<i>Idem</i>	20.10.09
G/SPS/W/224/Rev.6	<i>Idem</i>	03.11.09
G/SPS/W/235	Proposed Programme for a Workshop on the Relationship Between the SPS Committee and the International Standard-Setting Organizations	20.02.09
G/SPS/W/237 & Rev.1	Review of the Operation and Implementation of the SPS Agreement	29.09.09
G/SPS/W/239 & Rev.1	Procedure to Monitor the Process of International Harmonization – Draft Eleven Annual Report	13.07.09
G/SPS/W/240	Dates of Meetings of the SPS Committee – 2010	08.06.09
G/SPS/W/243	Proposed Recommended Procedure for Ad Hoc Consultations or Negotiations Among Members under the SPS Agreement (Article 12.2)	07.09.09
G/SPS/W/247	Possible Actions for the SPS Committee Regarding Private SPS Standards	20.10.09
G/SPS/GEN/27/Rev.19	Implementation of the Transparency Obligations as of 31 March 2009	01.04.09
G/SPS/GEN/49/Rev.9	Membership in WTO and International Standard-Setting Bodies	01.04.09
G/SPS/GEN/121/Add.4	Applicants for Observer Status (ECOWAS)	19.10.09
G/SPS/GEN/204/Rev.9	Specific Trade Concerns	05.02.09
G/SPS/GEN/204/Rev.9/Add.1 & Corr.1	Specific Trade Concerns – Issues Considered in 2008	06.02.09 18.02.09
G/SPS/GEN/204/Rev.9/Add.2	Specific Trade Concerns – Issues not Considered in 2008	09.02.09
G/SPS/GEN/204/Rev.9/Add.3	Specific Trade Concerns – Resolved Issues	06.02.09
G/SPS/GEN/235	Proposed Programme for a Workshop on the Relationship Between the SPS Committee and the International Standard-Setting Organizations	20.02.09

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G/SPS/GEN/521/Rev.4	SPS Technical Assistance and Training Activities (1 September 1994 to 31 December 2008)	18.02.09
G/SPS/GEN/804/Rev.2	Overview Regarding the Level of Implementation of the Transparency Provisions of the SPS Agreement	20.10.09
G/SPS/GEN/887/Rev.1	Review of the Operation and Implementation of the SPS Agreement - Background Document	06.02.09
G/SPS/GEN/895	Notifications Issued During the Month of December 2008	21.01.09
G/SPS/GEN/903	<i>Idem</i> – January 2009	17.02.09
G/SPS/GEN/910	<i>Idem</i> – February 2009	13.03.09
G/SPS/GEN/917	<i>Idem</i> – March 2009	14.04.09
G/SPS/GEN/924	<i>Idem</i> – April 2009	18.05.09
G/SPS/GEN/944	<i>Idem</i> – May 2009	17.06.09
G/SPS/GEN/957	<i>Idem</i> – June 2009	17.07.09
G/SPS/GEN/958	<i>Idem</i> – July 2009	17.08.09
G/SPS/GEN/960	<i>Idem</i> – August 2009	15.09.09
G/SPS/GEN/964	<i>Idem</i> – September 2009	15.10.09
G/SPS/GEN/977	<i>Idem</i> – October 2009	10.11.09
G/SPS/GEN/986	<i>Idem</i> – November 2009	22.12.09
G/SPS/GEN/897	Documents and Notifications Circulated During 2008	30.01.09
G/SPS/GEN/898	WTO Submission to the Open-Ended Expert Working Group on Building National Phytosanitary Capacity	02.02.09
G/SPS/GEN/899	Evaluation of the Standards and Trade Development Facility (STDF)	02.02.09
G/SPS/GEN/900	Overview of SPS Needs and Assistance in Eight Least Developed Countries	04.02.09
G/SPS/GEN/902	Update on the Operation of the Standards and Trade Development Facility	09.02.09
G/SPS/GEN/932	Effects of SPS-Related Private Standards – Descriptive Report	15.06.09
G/SPS/GEN/932/Rev.1	Effects of SPS Related Private Standards – Compilation of Replies	10.12.09
G/SPS/GEN/933	Programme for a Workshop on the Relationship Between the SPS Committee and the International Standard-Setting Organizations	16.06.09
G/SPS/GEN/939	Update on the Operation of the Standards and Trade Development Facility	16.06.09
G/SPS/GEN/954	Dates of Meetings of SPS Committee - 2010	30.06.09
G/SPS/GEN/956	SPS Technical Assistance Activities in 2009	06.07.09
G/SPS/GEN/961 & Rev.1	STDF Workshop "Using Economic Analysis to Inform SPS Decision Making" - Geneva, - 30 October 2009 - Background Note and Draft Agenda	21.10.09
G/SPS/GEN/969	Update on the Operation of the Standards and Trade Development Facility	20.10.09
G/SPS/R/54	Meeting of 25-26 February 2009	28.04.09

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G/SPS/R/55	Meeting of 23-24 June 2009	23.09.09
G/SPS/INF/17 & Rev.1	List of Representatives – Meeting of 8-9 October 2008	25.02.09
G/SPS/INF/17/Rev.1/Corr.1	<i>Idem</i>	28.04.09
G/SPS/ENQ/25	National Enquiry Points	15.10.09
G/SPS/NNA/15	National Notification Authorities	15.10.09
G/L/897 & Rev.1	Report (2009) on the Activities of the SPS Committee	16.11.09
