



Committee on Sanitary and Phytosanitary Measures

SUMMARY OF THE MEETING OF 15-16 JULY 2015

NOTE BY THE SECRETARIAT¹

*Corrigendum**

The following paragraphs should be corrected to read as follows:

3 SPECIFIC TRADE CONCERNS

3.1 New issues

3.1.5 Korea's import restrictions due to African swine fever – Concerns of the European Union

3.12. Korea responded that it had banned pork and pork products from Poland since the first case of ASF was reported in February 2014, in agreement with Poland. In response to the European Union for regionalization, Korea had implemented the necessary steps to assess the current situation in Poland, and sent experts to have an on-site inspection. The preliminary assessment on ASF had been delivered to Poland and an exchange of views was still under way. As a result, Korea had been consistent with Articles 6.2 and 6.3 of the SPS Agreement and hoped to continue bilateral discussion on the basis of science and data.

3.2 Issues previously raised

3.2.11 EU revised proposal for categorization of compounds as endocrine disruptors – Concerns of the United States (No. 382)

3.51. Australia, Brazil, Canada, Chile, China, Colombia, the Dominican Republic, Egypt, India, Kenya, Malaysia, Mexico, New Zealand, Nigeria, and Peru also spoke about the revised EU proposal on endocrine disruptors. They urged the European Union to take into account all the comments made during the public consultation and requested that the Committee be informed of any relevant developments.

3.3 Consideration of specific notifications received

3.3.1 Korea's notifications G/SPS/N/KOR/495, G/SPS/N/KOR/503 and G/SPS/N/KOR/504 – Concerns of the European Union

3.72. Korea explained that it had notified the regulation immediately to the Secretariat and had given a reasonable time for Members to submit their comments, in accordance with the SPS Agreement. The measures comprised the food sanitation act, an act on sanitary control of livestock products and a functional food act. The purpose of this integration was to enhance integrity, efficiency, convenience and transparency for trading partners. In order to facilitate understanding, Korea had held a public hearing on 30 April 2015 and a briefing session on 30 June 2015 with foreign embassies based in Korea.

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