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COMMUNICATION FROM MEXICO

Addendum

The following communication, dated 13 May 2005, is being circulated at the request of the delegation of Mexico.

Pursuant to paragraph 3(a) of Annex B of the Agreement on the Application of Sanitary and Phytosanitary Measures and Articles 2.9.1 and 10.3.1 of the Agreement on Technical Barriers to Trade, the Government of Mexico hereby reports that the Ministry of the Economy, through the General Directorate of Standards, published the *National Standardization Programme for 2005* in Spanish in the *Diario Oficial de la Federación* (Mexican Official Journal) on 9 May 2005.

In accordance with Article 61-A of the Federal Law on Metrology and Standardization and Article 55 of the regulations thereto, the *National Standardization Programme for 2005* includes a list of the subject matter to be developed as Mexican official standards ("technical regulations" and "sanitary and phytosanitary measures"), reference standards for government procurement and Mexican standards ("voluntary standards") by the departments and agencies of the Federal Public Administration and registered national standards bodies, respectively.

All draft technical regulations and sanitary and phytosanitary measures prepared on the basis of this Programme will, in due course, be published in the Mexican Official Journal for public consultation and, where appropriate, notified to the Secretariat of the World Trade Organization through the Central Registry of Notifications.

This notification has been sent for purposes of transparency and in order to provide Members with further information on the Mexican regulatory process.

The *National Standardization Programme for 2005* is available for consultation in Spanish on the website <u>http://www.economia.gob.mx/?P=210</u> or through the Mexican National Enquiry Point.

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