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EUROPEAN COMMUNITIES – MEASURES AFFECTING THE APPROVAL AND MARKETING OF BIOTECH PRODUCTS

Agreement under Article 21.3(b) of the DSU

The following communication, dated 26 February 2009, from the delegation of the European Communities and the delegation of Argentina to the Chairman of the Dispute Settlement Body, is circulated in accordance with Article 21.3(b) of the DSU.

With regard to the dispute "*European Communities – Measures Affecting the Approval and Marketing of Biotech Products*" – WT/DS293, we are pleased to inform you that Argentina and the European Communities have mutually agreed to modify the "reasonable period of time" for implementation of the recommendations and rulings of the Dispute Settlement Body, which was originally established pursuant to Article 21.3(b) of the Understanding on Rules and Procedures Governing the Settlement of Disputes, so as to expire on 30 June 2009.

We request that you circulate this notification to the Members of the Dispute Settlement Body.

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