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NOTIFICATION

Addendum

The following communication, received on 18 July 2006, is being circulated at the request of the Delegation of the European Communities.

Ornamental fish (HS 0301.10) or any other live fish traded for ornamental purposes included those in circulation under HS headings 0301 (Live fish) or 0106 (Other live animals)

In fulfilment of Article 6(5) of the SPS Agreement, the Commission, in consultation with the EC member States, has modified the proposal notified in G/SPS/N/EEC/279 (20 December 2005), to take account of the comments received.

Background

By document G/SPS/N/EEC/279 the European Communities C notified to WTO Members the European Commission document *Draft Commission Decision laying down the animal health conditions and certification requirements for imports of fish for ornamental purpose, and amending Decision 2003/858/EC* (SANCO/10381/2005 Rev. 3). The notified document received comments from developing countries concerning the technical and economic feasibility of the proposed measures.

Article 5.6 of the SPS Agreement establishes that proposed measures should not be (Sic.) "*more trade-restrictive than required to achieve their appropriate level of sanitary or phytosanitary protection, taking into account technical and economic feasibility*" by Developing Countries.

The review proposal, in document SANCO/10381/2005 Rev. 5, can be obtained from the EC Enquiry Point: sps@ec.europa.eu.
