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¹ WTO Trade Policy Reviews: https://www.wto.org/english/tratop_e/tpr_e/tpr_e.htm

[REDACTED]

- [REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

3. Operation of transparency provisions

[REDACTED]

4. The 4th Review of the operation and implementation of the SPS Agreement

- [REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

- [REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

5. Private and commercial standards

[REDACTED]

6. Resolution of Specific Trade Concerns (STC) – "not reported" cases

[REDACTED]

7. Activities of the EU SPS Notification Authority and Enquiry Point in 2016

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

II. SPECIFIC ISSUES

A. ISSUES OF INTEREST TO THIRD COUNTRIES

- **Endocrine disruptors** – concern of the US, Argentina and many other countries

It is expected that a number of Members will reiterate their STC on the setting of the EU criteria to identify endocrine disruptors. The EU response will take into account the outcome of the next discussion with MSs in the PAFF of 28 February.

- **EU rules on glyphosate** – [REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

- **EU regulation on Novel Foods** – [REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

- **Citrus black spot** – [REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

- **EU's proposal to allow EU Member States to restrict or prohibit the use of GM food and feed** – [REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

- **EU agricultural biotechnology process (delays in approvals)** – [REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

B. ISSUES OF INTEREST TO THE EU

COM thanked MS for the detailed market access information sent to the Commission, and encouraged all MS to follow suit and send regular updates to TRADE-SPS@ec.europa.eu.

MS were requested to continue to provide information on the pending barriers and equally on those which had been solved or where progress had been seen. This information is extremely important to assist COM's prioritization of its SPS market access work.

[REDACTED]

1. Russian Federation – Measures on the importation of live pigs, pork and other pig products from the EU: [REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

2. Russian Federation's import restrictions on processed fishery products from Estonia and Latvia

[REDACTED]

3. Russia's import restrictions on certain animal products from Germany

[REDACTED]

Other issues with Russia

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Avian influenza

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4. Import restrictions imposed on the EU due to African Swine Fever (ASF)

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5. Import restrictions imposed on the EU due to Avian Influenza (AI)

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6. Import restrictions imposed on the EU due to Bovine Spongiform Encephalopathy (BSE)

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7. SPS market access priorities – [Redacted]

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8. Market Access Database

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Category	Bar 1 (%)	Bar 2 (%)	Bar 3 (%)
All respondents	100	100	100
Men	100	100	100
Women	100	100	100
18-29	100	100	100
30-49	100	100	100
50+	100	100	100


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WTO Members' contributions to the final agenda of the SPS Committee will have to be submitted to the Secretariat by **9 March**. Should any MS wish to make a suggestion, all relevant information should be submitted to the COM as soon as possible but **no later than 1 March 2017**.

A coordination meeting is foreseen on **22 March** at 08.30 at the WTO premises. Any additional possible coordination to be held prior to that date is to be determined once the final agenda, including the schedule for the informal meetings, is received.

Any general SPS concerns and EU import related issues should be addressed to the EU SPS Notification Authority and Enquiry Point at sps@ec.europa.eu and any general trade and SPS export related issues to [TRADE-SPS @ec.europa.eu](mailto:TRADE-SPS@ec.europa.eu)

MS are kindly reminded that COM would appreciate being kept informed of any significant developments with respect to MS trade concerns particularly when COM has been involved in related multilateral or bilateral discussions.

Annex: 

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