AUSTRALIAN CUSTOMS NOTICE NO. 2004/52

Amendments to the *Customs (Prohibited Imports) Regulations 1956* - Dangerous Dogs - Disallowance Motion

On 30 November 2004, the Senate passed a resolution disallowing the *Customs (Prohibited Imports) Amendment Regulation 2004 (No. 3)* (the Amendment Regulations).

The Amendment Regulations amended the *Customs (Prohibited Imports) Regulations 1956* (the PI Regulations) on 18 June 2004, and introduced regulation 5L to permit the importation of four breeds of dangerous dogs for certain scientific purposes.

The Amendment Regulations also removed the absolute prohibition on importing dogs of those breeds from the PI Regulations.

The disallowance means that from 30 November 2004, regulation 5L ceased to have effect.

The PI Regulations have now reverted to the former absolute prohibition on the importation of the following breeds of dangerous dogs under regulation 3 and item 26 of Schedule 1 to the

PI Regulations:

* dogo Argentino
* fila Brasileiro
* Japanese tosa
* American pit bull terrier or pit bull terrier

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