AUSTRALIAN CUSTOMS NOTICE NO. 2006/37

Amendments to the *Customs (Prohibited Exports) Regulations 1958*

Export of Human Embryos

The following amendment to the *Customs (Prohibited Exports) Regulations 1958* (the Prohibited Exports Regulations) was registered on 27 July 2006, and takes effect from 28 July 2006.

Regulation 7 of the Prohibited Exports Regulations prohibits the export of human embryos without the permission of the Minister for Justice and Customs. That regulation was due to cease at the end of 31 July 2006.

The amendment to regulation 7 extends the export control until 31 July 2007. This will allow the Australian Government further time to consider the recommendations arising from the Legislation Review of Australia’s *Prohibition of Human Cloning Act 2002* and the *Research Involving Human Embryos Act 2002.*

The amendments do not alter any other part of the regulation. Anyone wishing to export a human embryo will need to apply for permission from the Minister for Justice and Customs through the Attorney-General’s Department (ACN 2003/24 refers).

Enquiries regarding this notice may be directed to Community Protection Policy on telephone

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