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RUSSIAN FEDERATION – MEASURES ON THE IMPORTATION OF LIVE PIGS, PORK AND OTHER PIG PRODUCTS FROM THE EUROPEAN UNION

RECOURSE TO ARTICLE 22.6 OF THE DSU BY THE RUSSIAN FEDERATION

The following communication, dated 20 December 2017, from the delegation of the Russian Federation to the Chairperson of the Dispute Settlement Body, is circulated pursuant to Article 22.6 of the DSU.

Regarding the recourse of the European Union to Article 22.2 of the Understanding on Rules and Procedures Governing the Settlement of Disputes ("DSU") as set out in WT/DS475/17 in the dispute Russian Federation – Measures on the Importation of Live Pigs, Pork and Other Pig Products from the European Union (DS475), my authorities have instructed me to inform you that the Russian Federation disagrees with the allegations of the European Union that the Russian Federation failed to comply with the recommendations and rulings of the DSB within the reasonable period of time in this dispute. Moreover, pursuant to Article 22.6 of the DSU, the Russian Federation objects to the European Union's proposed level of suspension of concessions or other obligations under the General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade 1994, SPS Agreement and Agreement on Agriculture.