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PANAMA – TARIFF CLASSIFICATION OF CERTAIN MILK PRODUCTS

Notification of Mutually Agreed Solution

The following communication, dated 20 September 2005, from the delegation of Mexico and the delegation of Panama to the Chairman of the Dispute Settlement Body, is circulated pursuant to Article 3.6 of the DSU.

Pursuant to Article 3.6 of the Understanding on Rules and Procedures Governing the Settlement of Disputes, the Governments of Mexico and Panama hereby inform the Dispute Settlement Body that in the dispute *Panama – Tariff Classification of Certain Milk Products* (WT/DS329), the parties have reached a mutually agreed solution regarding the matters raised by Mexico in its request for consultations.

We accordingly attach hereto a copy of Cabinet Decree No. 18 of 3 August 2005, published in the *Gaceta Oficial* (Official Journal) of 5 August, amending the tariff item challenged by Mexico.

The foregoing is without prejudice to the WTO rights and obligations of Mexico and Panama.

(signed)
Permanent Representative of Mexico
to the WTO
Ambassador Fernando de Mateo

(signed)
Permanent Representative of Panama
to the WTO
Ambassador Norman Harris

No. 25,358

Gaceta Oficial, Friday 5 August 2005

**CABINET COUNCIL
CABINET DECREE NO. 18
(of 3 August 2005)**

Amending the Import Tariff

THE CABINET COUNCIL,
pursuant to the authority conferred on it by the Constitution and the law

WHEREAS:

According to Article 200.7 of the Political Constitution, the Cabinet Council establishes and amends tariffs, rates and other provisions pertaining to the customs regime, subject to the rules set in the laws referred to in Article 159.11 of the Political Constitution;

Pursuant to Law No. 41 of 1 July 1996, the Cabinet Council shall issue provisions on the customs regime, based on existing legal instruments and practices relating to international trade;

HEREBY DECREES:

ARTICLE ONE: The customs tariff shall be amended in respect of the following item, to read as follows:

CODE	DESCRIPTION	RATE OF DUTY	ITBM
1901.10.19	Other	5.0%	

ARTICLE TWO: In accordance with Article 200.7 of the Political Constitution of the Republic of Panama, an authenticated copy of the present Cabinet Decree shall be sent to the National Assembly.

ARTICLE THREE: This Cabinet Decree shall take effect from the date of its approval.

FOR COMMUNICATION AND EXECUTION.

Done at Panama City on 3 August 2005.

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