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INDONESIA – IMPORTATION OF HORTICULTURAL PRODUCTS, ANIMALS AND ANIMAL PRODUCTS

STATUS REPORT REGARDING IMPLEMENTATION OF THE DSB RECOMMENDATIONS AND RULINGS BY INDONESIA

Addendum

The following communication, dated 13 June 2019, from the delegation of Indonesia to the Chairperson of the Dispute Settlement Body, is circulated pursuant to Article 21.6 of the DSU.

Indonesia submits this report pursuant to Article 21.6 of the Understanding on Rules and Procedures Governing the Settlement of Disputes (DSU).

On 22 November 2017, the Dispute Settlement Body (DSB) adopted the recommendations and rulings in respect of the panel and Appellate Body reports in "Indonesia – Importation of Horticultural Products, Animals and Animal Products" (WT/DS477/DS478). In the DSB meeting on 28 February 2018, Indonesia informed the DSB that it intended to implement the DSB recommendations and rulings in these disputes, but that it would need reasonable period of time to do so.

Pursuant to Article 21.3 (b) of the DSU, Indonesia, New Zealand and the United States have mutually agreed on the reasonable period of time to implement the DSB recommendations and rulings that expired on 22 July 2018. Nevertheless, with regard to the DSB's recommendations and rulings concerning Measure 18, Indonesia, New Zealand and the United States also have mutually agreed that Indonesia will have more time to make statutory changes to comply with the DSB recommendations and rulings in these disputes. Accordingly, New Zealand and the United States will not initiate further proceedings concerning Measure 18 until at least 22 June 2019.

Indonesia is committed to improve its importation system through adjusting the relevant regulations in order to attain full compliance with the recommendations and rulings of the DSB in these disputes. As of this moment, Indonesia would like to inform the DSB that further adjustment which aims to address measures 1-17, is under intensive discussion and almost concluded.

With regard to measure 18, the government has prepared the documents required for the statutory changes including the draft amendments and their respective academic drafts. These documents have been intensively discussed and consulted with all related ministries and agencies.

Indonesia thanks New Zealand and the United States for having bilateral engagement. Indonesia will continue this effort and engagement to resolve these disputes.