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KOREA – IMPORT BANS, AND TESTING AND CERTIFICATION REQUIREMENTS FOR RADIONUCLIDES

COMMUNICATION FROM KOREA

The following communication, dated 14 May 2019, was received from the delegation of Korea with the request that it be circulated to the Dispute Settlement Body (DSB).

On 26 April 2019, the Dispute Settlement Body ("DSB") adopted recommendations and rulings in the dispute *Korea- Import Bans, and Testing and Certification Requirements for Radionuclides* (DS495). The Republic of Korea ("Korea") hereby informs the DSB of its intentions to implement the recommendations and rulings of the DSB pursuant to Article 21.3 of the Understanding on Rules and Procedures Governing the Settlement of Disputes ("DSU"). Japan has agreed that, in order to comply with Article 21.3, first sentence and footnote 11 of the DSU, Korea would inform the DSB of its intentions by letter rather than at a special meeting of the DSB held for that purpose.

Korea intends to implement the recommendations and rulings of the DSB in this dispute in a manner consistent with its WTO obligations. For this, Korea will need a reasonable period of time. My delegation stands ready to discuss this matter with Japan in due course, in accordance with Article 21.3(b) of the DSU.

Korea respectfully requests you to circulate this communication to the Members of the DSB. At the same time, Korea requests the DSB to kindly include implementation of this dispute in the agenda of the regular DSB meeting that will be held on 28 May 2019 to reconfirm our intentions.