

PHILIPPINES – TAXES ON DISTILLED SPIRITS

Agreement under Article 21.3(b) of the DSU

The following communication, dated 20 April 2012, from the delegation of the Philippines and the delegation of the European Union to the Chairperson of the Dispute Settlement Body, is circulated in accordance with Article 21.3(b) of the DSU.

We wish to inform you that, pursuant to Article 21.3(b) of the *Understanding on Rules and Procedures Governing the Settlement of Disputes*, the Philippines and the European Union have agreed that the reasonable period of time for the Philippines to implement the recommendations and rulings of the Dispute Settlement Body ("DSB") in the dispute *Philippines – Taxes on Distilled Spirits* (DS396) shall be 13 months and 16 days from the 20 January 2012 date of adoption of the DSB recommendations and rulings. Accordingly, the reasonable period of time expires on 8 March 2013.

We request that you circulate this notification to the Members of the DSB.

(Signed)
For the Philippines

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