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EUROPEAN COMMUNITIES - TRADE DESCRIPTION OF SARDINES

<u>Withdrawal of Appeal by the European Communities</u> in accordance with Rule 30(1) of the *Working Procedures for Appellate Review*

The following communication, dated 28 June 2002, from the Permanent Delegation of the European Commission to the Chairman of the Dispute Settlement Body, is circulated to Members.

Pursuant to paragraph 4 of Article 16 of the Understanding on Rules and Procedures Governing the Settlement of Disputes (the "DSU") the European Communities hereby notify their decision to appeal the Panel report on *European Communities – Trade Description of Sardines* (WT/DS231/R, 29 May 2002).

We attach the Notice of Appeal. This Notice of Appeal replaces the one filed on 25 June 2002 (WT/DS231/10), which is withdrawn pursuant to Rule 30 of the *Working Procedures for Appellate Review* conditionally on the right of the European Communities to file the new Notice of Appeal.