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## NOTIFICATION OF EMERGENCY MEASURES

### Addendum

The following communication, received on 21 September 2004, is being circulated at the request of the Delegation of the United States.

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#### Importation of Wood Packaging Material: Final Rule

The Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service (APHIS) is amending the regulations for the importation of unmanufactured wood articles to adopt an international standard entitled "Guidelines for Regulating Wood Packaging Material in International Trade" that was approved by the Interim Commission on Phytosanitary Measures of the International Plant Protection Convention on 15 March 2002. The standard calls for wood packaging material to be either heat treated or fumigated with methyl bromide, in accordance with the Guidelines, and marked with an approved international mark certifying treatment. This change will affect all persons using wood packaging material in connection with importing goods into the United States. The effective date is 16 September 2005.

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