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NOTIFICATION

Addendum

The following communication, dated 6 September 2002, has been received from Mexico.

Technical specifications for controlling the use of beta-agonists in animals

The Mexican Government, considering that some beta-agonists, such as clenbuterol (used as a food additive in the formulation of feed for livestock, in particular bovine animals, in order to achieve simulated weight gain in both live animals and carcasses), are still being used in its national territory and given that the country therefore still faces animal and public health risks, has decided, pursuant to Article 48 of the Federal Law on Metrology and Standardization, to extend for a further six months the period of validity of Emergency Mexican Official Standard NOM-EM-15-ZOO-2002, published in the *Diario Oficial de la Federación* (Official Journal) on 1 March 2002.

The texts of this Regulation and the notice of the extension are available in Spanish at the National Enquiry Point and in the Standards Catalogue which can be found on the Web site <http://www.economia.gob.mx/?P>".
