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## ARRANGEMENT REGARDING BOVINE MEAT

### Basis for Negotiation

#### Addendum

Proposals by the Mexican Delegation Concerning Secretariat  
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Basis for Negotiation"

#### Title

So that the title of the Arrangement may correspond to the coverage of Article II, it is proposed that the present title "Arrangement Regarding Bovine Meat" be replaced by the following title: "Arrangement Regarding Bovine Animals and Bovine Meat".

#### Article I - Objectives

Paragraph (1) - include immediately after "bovine meat" and before "and the stability and growth of the international market", the words: "and live bovine animals".

Paragraph (2) - (former paragraph (3)) - add after "and live animals" the following phrase: "with a view in particular to greater rationalization and more efficient distribution of resources in the international meat economy"

Paragraph (5) - (former paragraph (6)) - add after "world trade in these products" the following text: "by means of, inter alia:

- (a) Securing long-term stability of real prices in the context of an expanding world market for meat and live bovine animals; and
- (b) securing the maintenance and improvement of the real earnings of developing countries that are exporters of meat and live bovine animals.

Article II - Product Coverage

Paragraph 1 - delete the square brackets in sub-paragraph (a) so that "live bovine animals" (CCCN 01.02) are included under the Arrangement.

Article III - Information and Market Monitoring

Insert a new paragraph between the existing paragraphs 1 and 2, to read as follows:

"Participating developing countries shall furnish the information available to them. In order that these countries may improve their data collection mechanisms, developed participants, and any developing participants able to do so, shall provide any technical assistance requested of them."

Paragraph 3

Delete the word "certain" in the second line.

Include the following items:

"Prospects for production, consumption, exports and imports."

Clarify whether the "prices" referred to in this paragraph are domestic or international.

Article IV - Co-operation

At the end of paragraph 2, delete the words "for consideration by governments" and insert the words "to remedy the situation" after "possible solutions".

Paragraph 3

In the second line, delete the words "unilateral, bilateral, plurilateral" so as to maintain the multilaterality of solutions.

Paragraph 4

Delete the term "where this is feasible and appropriate".

It is the intention of the Mexican delegation to present, as soon as possible, concrete proposals for special and differential treatment.

Article V - Other General Provisions

In paragraph 5 delete the second paragraph.

Article VII - Administration of the Arrangement

In paragraph 1 delete the words "within the framework of the General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade".

Article VIII - Final Provisions

Delete paragraph 4.