

CHAPTER SIX

SANITARY AND PHYTOSANITARY MEASURES

ARTICLE 6.1: OBJECTIVES

The objectives of this Chapter are to protect human, animal, and plant health conditions in the Parties' territories, enhance the Parties implementation of the SPS Agreement, and provide a forum for addressing sanitary and phytosanitary matters.

ARTICLE 6.2: SCOPE AND COVERAGE

This Chapter applies to all sanitary and phytosanitary measures of a Party that may, directly or indirectly, affect trade between the Parties.

ARTICLE 6.3: GENERAL PROVISIONS

1. The Parties affirm their existing rights and obligations with respect to each other under the SPS Agreement.
2. The Parties affirm their desire to provide a forum for addressing sanitary and phytosanitary matters affecting trade between the Parties, through the Joint Committee established pursuant to Article 18.2 (Joint Committee) or a subcommittee established thereunder.
3. Neither Party may have recourse to dispute settlement under this Agreement for any matter arising under this Chapter.

ARTICLE 6.4: DEFINITION

For purposes of this Chapter:

sanitary or phytosanitary measure means any measure referred to in Annex A, paragraph 1, of the SPS Agreement.