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## NOTIFICATION

### Addendum

The following communication, dated 24 May 2001, has been received from the United States.

Relative Risk to Public Health From Foodborne Listeria Monocytogenes Among Selected Categories of Ready-to-Eat Foods; Draft Risk Assessment Document and Risk Management Action Plan; Availability; Extension of Comment Period

The Food and Drug Administration (FDA), in cooperation with the Food Safety and Inspection Service (FSIS) of the US Department of Agriculture (USDA), and the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, published a notice of availability of a draft risk assessment on the relationship between foodborne Listeria monocytogenes and human health and a proposed risk management action plan for L. monocytogenes in the Federal Register of 19 January 2001 (notified as G/SPS/N/USA/385). Interested persons were given until 20 March 2001, with an extension to 21 May 2001 (notified as addendum 1), to comment on these documents. The LM Working Group has requested a second extension of the comment period in part to collect and review new data and to evaluate the model and the appropriateness of the new data to improve the assessment. In response, FDA and USDA/FSIS are extending the comment period to 18 July 2001; however, the agencies do not anticipate further extensions of the comment period for these draft documents.

The full text of this addendum, which includes instructions for commenting and the other documents notified earlier are available from the address below:

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