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Notification to the Parties and Signatories to the Agreement Establishing the Agency for International Trade Information and Cooperation (AITIC) as an Intergovernmental Organisation, concluded in Geneva on 9 December 2002

I. Withdrawal by the Kingdom of Sweden

On 30 November 2010, the Kingdom of Sweden deposited with the Swiss Government its instrument of withdrawal from the Agreement Establishing the Agency for International Trade Information and Cooperation (AITIC) as an Intergovernmental Organisation, concluded in Geneva on 9 December 2002.

According to its article 15, paragraph 3, the withdrawal shall become effective for the Kingdom of Sweden on the 30th day following the date on which the instrument has been received by the depositary, i.e. on 30 December 2010.

II. Withdrawal by Switzerland

On 1 December 2010, Switzerland deposited its instrument of withdrawal from the Agreement Establishing the Agency for International Trade Information and Cooperation (AITIC) as an Intergovernmental Organisation, concluded in Geneva on 9 December 2002.

According to its article 15, paragraph 3, the withdrawal shall become effective for Switzerland on the 30th day following the date on which the instrument has been received by the depositary, i.e. on 31 December 2010.

III. Suspension by the Separate Customs Territory of Taiwan, Penghu, Kinmen and Matsu

On 25 November 2010, the Separate Customs Territory of Taiwan, Penghu, Kinmen and Matsu deposited with the Swiss Government an instrument of «suspension effective from 31 December 2010» of the operation, with regard to it, of the Agreement Establishing the Agency for International Trade Information and Cooperation (AITIC) as an Intergovernmental Organisation, concluded in Geneva on 9 December 2002. Asked by the Depositary for the reasons of the suspension, the Separate Customs Territory of Taiwan, Penghu, Kinmen and Matsu transmitted to the Depositary on 26 November 2010 an explanatory note verbale, which is enclosed to this notification.

The Swiss Federal Council makes the present notification in its capacity as depositary (www.eda.admin.ch/depositary) according to article 20 of the Agreement.

Bern, 1 December 2010

Enclosure

