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Corrigendum

In Chapter III, please make the following changes to Table III.16 (Summary of the protection of intellectual property rights in Mexico):

- In the third column, under the heading "term", in the row on "trademarks", replace the words "not renewable" with "renewable for equal periods of time";
- In the third column, under the heading "term", in the row on "Undisclosed information", replace the word "indefinitely" with "as long as it remains confidential".

In Chapter IV, please insert the following paragraphs after paragraph 20:

21. In 2006, SAGARPA's budget for agricultural support programmes (including agricultural, livestock, forestry and fisheries activities) amounted to 48,779 million pesos (about 4,483 million US dollars), of which 31 per cent was allocated to the Programme of Direct Support for the Countryside (PROCAMPO), approximately 13 per cent to the *Alianza Contigo* (Alliance With You), and 14.5 per cent to the marketing support programmes operated by the *Apoyos y Servicios a la Comercialización Agropecuaria* – ASERCA (Agricultural Marketing Support and Services).¹

22. Mexico undertook, in the context of the Uruguay Round, to reduce its financial support for agricultural producers, in accordance with the definition established in the negotiations, from approximately 29 billion 1991 Mexican pesos, representing the level of Aggregate Measure of Support (AMS) for the base period 1986-88, to somewhat more than 25 billion in 2004 (at 1991 prices).² In Mexico's notification of domestic support commitments for the years 1999-2004, it can be seen that total AMS increased from 211.3 million pesos in 1999 to 488.7 million in 2004.³

23. In the Uruguay Round, Mexico also agreed not to grant export subsidies in excess of the amounts established in its schedule of commitments for the following products (maximum level of outlay in millions of US dollars in brackets): maize (102.9), beans (6.1), wheat (9.0), sorghum (13.3)

¹ Ejecutivo Federal, Primer Informe de Gobierno (2007), Anexo Estadístico, page 130.

² Schedule LXXVII-Mexico, part IV, section I.

³ Figures in constant 1991 prices. WTO document G/AG/N/MEX/13/Rev.1 of 27 March 2007.

and sugar (421.8).⁴ With respect to these subsidies, Mexico submitted its latest notification to the WTO in 2000, indicating that it had subsidized sugar exports in 1997 and wheat exports in 1998.⁵ For both products, the outlays were less than the established commitments. As of October 2007, no further notifications had been received from Mexico with respect to export subsidies for agricultural products.

 ⁴ Schedule LXXVII-Mexico, part IV, section II.
⁵ WTO document G/AG/N/MEX/8 of 14 September 2000 and G/AG/N/MEX/10 of 30 November 2000.