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Internal Trade Representatives

Ms Anna Maria Magnifico Executive Director Internal Trade Secretariat 850 - 444 St. Mary Avenue Winnipeg MB R3C 3T1

Dear Internal Trade Representatives and Ms Magnifico:

RE: AIT Consultations with respect to measures relating to the Quebec Food Products Act and the Regulation Respecting Food

This letter is to deliver written notice that Manitoba intends to participate in the consultations requested by the Governments of Saskatchewan and British Columbia with the Government of Quebec with respect to certain measures relating to the Quebec's Food Products Act and its Regulation Respecting Food. Pursuant to Article 1702.1(4) of the Agreement on Internal Trade (AIT), the Government of Manitoba hereby notifies that it considers itself to have a substantial interest in this matter and intends to participate in these consultations.

For further clarity, Manitoba is not requesting to initiate consultations on this matter with Quebec and, as noted in the notice from Saskatchewan, accordingly is not requesting to be treated as a "cocomplainant". As noted above, Manitoba will be participating in these consultations based on Manitoba's substantial interest in this matter.

Please forward future correspondence regarding this consultation to:

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Manitoba looks forward to discussing this matter and any other relevant information during the consultations.

Sincerely.

Alan Barber

Internal Trade Representative

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