

**PRODUCTS OF ANIMAL ORIGIN (THIRD COUNTRY IMPORTS) REGULATIONS
(NORTHERN IRELAND) 2004**

DECLARATION UNDER REGULATION 58

Whereas the Food Standards Agency has reasonable grounds to suspect the presence of

- (i) the presence of histamine and heavy metals in fishery products imported from Indonesia and intended for human consumption; and
- (ii) serious shortcomings in Indonesia as regards hygiene in the handling of fishery products and as regards the capacity of the Indonesian authorities to carry out reliable checks of fish;

Whereas this is liable to present a serious threat to public health;

Whereas on 21 March 2006, following the detection of the presence of these items and the identification of such shortcomings the Commission of the European Communities adopted Commission Decision 2006/236/EC on special conditions governing fishery products imported from Indonesia and intended for human consumption (OJ No. L83, 22.3.06, p.16);

The Food Standards Agency declares in accordance with regulation 58 of the Products of Animal Origin (Third Country Imports) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2004 that with effect from 6 April 2006 the importation into Northern Ireland from Indonesia of fishery products intended for human consumption is permitted subject to the conditions specified in Articles 2 and 4 of Commission Decision 2006/236/EC on special conditions governing fishery products imported from Indonesia and intended for human consumption.

Signed at 10.00 hrs on 7th April 2006

Jim Ross

For and on behalf of the Food Standards Agency

Notes

- (1) Any expression used both in this declaration and Commission Decision 2006/236/EC on special conditions governing fishery products imported from Indonesia and intended for human consumption has the meaning it bears in Decision 2006/236/EC.
- (2) Importation of fishery products from Indonesia in contravention of this declaration is a criminal offence, punishable by a fine or with imprisonment or both.