## UNITED STATES-PANAMA AGREEMENT ON COOPERATION IN AGRICULTURAL TRADE

WHEREAS, in the course of negotiations regarding a free trade agreement between their governments, delegations of the United States of America ("United States") and the Republic of Panama ("Panama") ("the Parties") discussed cooperation on trade in agricultural products, the Parties now agree as follows:

The United States and Panama pledge to urge their specialized agencies:

- 1. to undertake technical and scientific work with a view to facilitating market access for poultry and pork products under the proposed free trade agreement to their mutual benefit;
- 2. to undertake technical and scientific work with a view to facilitating market access for horticultural products under the proposed free trade agreement to their mutual benefit; and
- 3. to undertake technical and scientific work to assist Panama in achieving the designation of "Mediterranean Fruit Fly Free Area(s)" for area(s) in producing regions in Panama for which such a designation is feasible.

This agreement shall enter into force on this day.

Done in Washington, DC and Panama City on December 20, 2006.

FOR THE GOVERNMENT OF THE UNITED STATES:

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FOR THE GOVERNMENT OF PANAMA:

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