## Vereniging van Importeurs van Visproducten

### The Dutch Importers Association

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Dear Mr. Maqsudur Rahman,

The Dutch Importers Association is happy to present to you a purchasing protocol for shrimpimporters in the EU.

Our member companies importing from Bangladesh will use this protocol when purchasing shrimps.

As we are all aware, the EU market has proven to be highly sensitive for forbidden residues of antibiotics in fish products, and more specific in shrimps.

We welcome the efforts undertaken by both the private and the public sector in Bangladesh to tackle these problems. Despite the efforts, experience shows that the residue problem is persistant.

This can been seen in the Rapid Allert System used by the European Commission.

For both exporters and authorities in Bangladesh, and for importers in the EU there is a common interest to avoid rejections at the EU-borders.

The Dutch Importers Association hopes the purchasing protocol can help strengthen the efforts done in Bangladesh to controle the residue problems.

In due time we will be happy to evaluate with you the results of our joint actions.

Please feel free to contact us for any additional information. We kindly ask you to forward this information to your members.

Your's sincerely

G.Pastoor

vice-president

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#### **Purchasing Protocol Bangladesh Shrimps**

The companies listed in the annex agree to use this protocol when purchasing shrimps from Bangladesh exporters.

Shrimps can only be purchased under the following conditions:

#### I. Accompanied test certificat

Each consignment will be accompanied by a certificat issued by an independant accreditated lab. (Singapore or Thailand)

This certificat will certify the absence of Chloramphenicol (limit of detection 0.3 ppb (ug/kg)) and Nitrofuran Metabolites (limit of detection 1 ppb (ug/kg)) AOZ, AMOZ, SEM, AHD.

#### II. Settlement of payment

Payment will be subject to health clearance by the authorities when entering the EU.

Rijswijk, Januari 8th, 2007

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### List of members buying shrimps from Bangladesh

Company	Adress	PostalCode	City	Country
Froconsur B.V.	Postbus 3012	8901 DA	Leeuwarder	n Netherlands
Goldfish B.V.	Postbus 71	1130 AB	Volendam	Netherlands
W.G. den Heijer en Zn B.V.	Vissershavenweg 50	2583 CM	Den Haag	Netherlands
Klaas Puul B.V.	Postbus 231	1130 AE	Volendam	Netherlands
Mooijer-Volendam B.V.	Postbus 146	1130 AC	Volendam	Netherlands
Heiploeg B.V.	Postbus 2	9974 ZG	Zoutkamp	Netherlands
Seafood Connection B.V.	Postbus 73	8320 AB	Urk	Netherlands
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Morubel N.V.	Ankerstraat 2	BE-8400	Oostende	Belgium
Setraco N.V.	Oostendsebaan 100	BE-8470	Gistel	Belgium