

To Trade and Industry representatives

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Dear Sir/Madam

### **IMPORTS OF FISHERY PRODUCTS FROM GUINEA**

This letter is to further update you on restrictions on imports of fishery products from Guinea (see my letter from 30 January).

Commission Decision 2007/82/EC on emergency measures suspending imports from the Republic of Guinea of fishery products intended for human consumption was published in the EU Official Journal on 02 February and came into force with immediate effect. This Decision will be reviewed in the light of guarantees offered by Guinea.

As already mentioned in my previous letter, owing to the seriousness of the shortcomings identified in Guinea and the resulting risk to public health, the Commission have decided that the prohibition shall apply to all consignments of products received at border inspection posts in the Community, whether or not the consignments were produced, stored or certified in the country of origin before this Decision took effect.

If you have any questions on this letter please contact me or my colleague Mariam Aleem (Tel. 0207 276 8903).

Yours sincerely

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