

Reference: POAO REG 59/014

**THE PRODUCTS OF ANIMAL ORIGIN (THIRD COUNTRY IMPORTS)
(ENGLAND) (NO. 4) REGULATIONS 2004 ("the Regulations")**

DECLARATION UNDER REGULATION 59

Whereas the Food Standards Agency has reasonable grounds to suspect -

- (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. L 83, 22.3.2006, p.16).

The Food Standards Agency declares in accordance with regulation 59 of the Regulations that with effect from 6 April 2006 the importation into England 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.

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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.