WORKING DOCUMENT No. 14

SPECIAL AGRICULTURAL SAFEGUARD (SSG)

Either:

1. [Article 5 of the Agreement on Agriculture shall expire for developed country Members at the start of the implementation period.] [Developed country Members shall reduce the number of tariff lines eligible for the SSG to [ ] per cent of scheduled tariff lines, and] developing country Members shall reduce the number of tariff lines eligible for the SSG to [ ] per cent of scheduled tariff lines.

Or:

2. Pending full elimination of the SSG by develope
full elimination shall occur two years after that. Furthermore, the terms and conditions of such an SSG for developed country Members shall be streamlined to ensure that:

(a) in respect of the quantity trigger: it shall be available only where, over a rolling three-year average, imports are above a minimum threshold of [ten] percent of domestic consumption, have increased by at least 25 per cent in absolute terms and the ratio of imports to domestic consumption has increased by [0.35] or more. Where the applied rate is equivalent to the bound rate, the remedy shall be a maximum of an additional one third of the bound duty. Where the applied rate is less than the bound rate the remedy shall be the full margin between th