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Report Highlights:

This report provides guidance on the certificate requirements for agricultural and food products imported into the Serbian market and includes the certificates that are standardized between the Serbian Ministry of Agriculture and the relevant US authorities (USDA/APHIS, USDA/FSIS, USDA/AMS, and FDA). APHIS and the Serbian Ministry of Agriculture are continuing to work on finalizing a Veterinary Health Certificate for Treated Hides and Skins, a Veterinary Health Certificate for Canned Pet Food and other Processed Pet Food, a Veterinary Health Certificate for Egg Products and the Veterinary Health Certificate for Horses (registered equidae for breeding and production).

Sections that have been updated include: Section(s) I and II

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Section I. List of All Export Certificates Required By Government (Matrix) :

| No. | Product(s) | Title of Certificate | Attestation Required on Certificate | Purpose | Requesting Ministry |
|-----|---|---|--|--------------------------|-------------------------|
| 1 | For fishery products | Health Certificate for fish products from the United States intended for the Republic of Serbia | Harmonized with US requirements see Section II, #1 | Animal and public health | Ministry of Agriculture |
| 2 | Breeding swine | Health Certificate for exportation of breeding swine to the Republic of Serbia | Harmonized with US requirements see Section II, #2 | Animal health | Ministry of Agriculture |
| 3 | Fresh meat of domestic swine intended for human consumption | Veterinary Health Certificate for export of fresh meat of domestic swine intended for human consumption in the Republic of Serbia | Not standardized due to the Serbian requirements that are not in accordance with the U.S./international rules. | Animal and public health | Ministry of Agriculture |
| 4 | Canned pet food | Veterinary Health Certificate for canned pet food intended for the Republic of Serbia | Serbia is requiring a Health Certificate similar to the EU's. However, it is still not endorsable by APHIS. Currently being discussed. | Animal health | Ministry of Agriculture |

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| 5 | Processed pet food other than canned pet food | Veterinary Health Certificate for processed pet food other than canned pet food, intended for the Republic of Serbia | Serbia is requiring a Health Certificate similar to the EU's. However, it is still not endorsable by APHIS. Currently being discussed. | Animal health | Ministry of Agriculture |
| 6 | Animal by-product for the manufacture of pet food | Veterinary Health Certificate for animal by-products for the manufacture of pet food intended for the Republic of Serbia | Serbia is requiring a Health Certificate similar to the EU's. However, it is still not endorsable by APHIS. Currently being discussed. | Animal health | Ministry of Agriculture |
| 7 | Dairy Products | Sanitary Certificate for export | Harmonized with US requirements. See Section II, #7 | Animal and public health | Ministry of Agriculture |
| 8 | Breeding cattle | Animal Health Certificate for import of breeding cattle to the Republic of Serbia | Harmonized with US requirements. See Section II, #8 | Animal health | Ministry of Agriculture |
| 9 | Bovine semen | Health Certificate for the exportation of bovine semen from the United States of America to the Republic of Serbia | Harmonized with US requirements. Section II, #9 | Animal health | Ministry of Agriculture |
| 10 | Bovine embryos | Health Certificate for the exportation of bovine embryos from the United States of America to the Republic of Serbia | Harmonized with US requirements. Section II, #10 | Animal health | Ministry of Agriculture |
| 11 | Egg products | Veterinary Health Certificate | New certification language is currently being discussed. | Animal and public health | Ministry of Agriculture |
| 12 | Registered equidae for breeding and production | Health Certificate for imports into the Republic of Serbia of registered equidae from United States of America and | Still not endorsable by APHIS. Currently being discussed. | Animal health | Ministry of Agriculture |

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| | | Canada for breeding and production | | | |
| 13 | Meat products | Health Certificate for meat products intended for the Republic of Serbia | See Section II, #13 for updates | Animal and public health | Ministry of Agriculture |
| 14 | Poultry meat and poultry meat products | Veterinary Health Certificate FSIS Form No. 9060-5 | Standardized. See “Import procedures for the U.S. poultry meat and poultry meat products intended for the Republic of Serbia” - Section II, #14 | Animal and public health | Ministry of Agriculture |
| 15 | Poultry meat and poultry meat products | Certificate of wholesomeness and FSIS Form 9235-1 | Standardized. See “Import procedures for U.S. poultry meat and poultry meat products intended for the Republic of Serbia” - Section II, #15 | Animal and public health | Ministry of Agriculture |
| 16 | Poultry meat and poultry meat products | Certificate for Wholesomeness (Bilingual) | Standardized. See “Import procedures for the U.S. poultry meat and poultry meat products intended for the Republic of Serbia” - Section II, #16 | Animal and public health | Ministry of Agriculture |
| 17 | Treated hides and skins | Health Certificate for treated hides and skin intended for the Republic of Serbia | Serbia is requiring a Health Certificate similar to the EU’s. However, it is still not endorsable by APHIS. Currently being discussed. | Animal health | Ministry of Agriculture |
| 18 | Plants, plant products and planting seed | Phytosanitary Certificate | Not standardized, although Serbia follows IPPC | Plant Protection Purpose | Ministry of Agriculture |

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| | materials | | guidelines. See Section II, #18: PPQ Form 577 | | |
| 19 | Plants, plant products and planting seed materials | Phytosanitary Certificate for Re-export | Not standardized, although Serbia follows IPPC guidelines. See Section II, #19: PPQ Form 579 | Plant Protection Purpose | Ministry of Agriculture |
| 20 | Plant and plant products | Quality Certificate for plant and plant products | Not standardized, but preferably from an independent institution in the country of export. | Plant Protection Purpose | Ministry of Agriculture |
| 21 | Organic products | Certificate of Organic products | Foreign /U.S. certificate has to be re-certified by the authorized institution in Serbia. See section II, #21 | Food Safety/ Plant Protection | Ministry of Agriculture |
| 22 | Food products and alcoholic beverages | Health Certificate | Not standardized but preferably from an independent institution in the country of export. | Food Safety, Plant Protection, Sanitary Inspection | Ministry of Agriculture, Ministry of Health |
| 23 | Food products and alcoholic beverages | Certificate of Origin | Not standardized but preferably from an independent institution in the country of export. | Food Safety, Plant Protection, Sanitary Inspection | Ministry of Agriculture, Ministry of Health |
| 24 | Food products and alcoholic beverages | Certificate of Quality | Not standardized but preferably from an independent institution in the country of export. | Food Safety, Plant Protection, Sanitary Inspection | Ministry of Health and Ministry of Agriculture |
| 25 | Seed Materials | ISTA - International Seed Testing Association Certificate | Can be obtained from the International Seed Testing Association (ISTA). | Plant Protection Purpose | Ministry of Agriculture |
| 26 | Seed Materials | OECD Varietal Certification of | Can be obtained from the OECD | Plant Protection | Ministry of Agriculture |

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| | | Seed for International Trade | | Purpose | |
| 27 | Food products | Certificate of Radiation (for food from certain geographic areas) | Not standardized, but preferably from an independent institution in the country of export. | Food Safety | Ministry of Health and Ministry of Agriculture |

Section II. Purpose of Specific Export Certificate(s)

1. Health certificate for fish products from the United States and intended for export to the Republic of Serbia.

Certificate Purpose: This certificate is for animal health purposes and must accompany the consignment until it reaches the place of destination. It is for identification of the consignment, origin of the product, destination of the product and health attestation.

The certificate is required by the Ministry of Agriculture, Forestry and Water Management- Veterinary Directorate.

This certificate was harmonized with the related U.S. regulations in 2008.

For a sample of the required certificate please go to web page:
www.seafood.nmfs.noaa.gov/Certificates/Serbia.pdf

2. Health certificate for exportation of breeding swine to the Republic of Serbia

Certificate Purpose: This certificate is for animal health purposes and must accompany the consignment until it reaches the place of destination. It is for animal identification (Reg. no. of herd, earmark or tattoo, breed, sex, date of birth), destination of the animals and health information of the animals.

The certificate is required by the Ministry of Agriculture, Forestry and Water Management- Veterinary Directorate.

This certificate was harmonized with the related U.S. regulation in 2009.

For a sample of the required certificate please go to web page:
http://www.aphis.usda.gov/regulations/vs/iregs/animals/animal_serbia.shtml

3. Veterinary certificate for export of fresh and frozen meat of swine intended for human consumption in the Republic of Serbia

Certificate Purpose: This certificate is for animal and public health purposes and must accompany the consignment until it reaches its destination. It is for identification of the consignor, consignee, origin of

the meat, intended destination of the meat, establishment address, registration (approval) number, means of transport and consignment identification, consignment identification detail, identification of the meat, individual identification of the meat included in this consignment and animal health attestation.

The certificate is required by the Ministry of Agriculture, Forestry and Water Management-Veterinary Directorate.

Serbia currently is not accepting the U.S. veterinary certificate for export of fresh or frozen meat of swine due to the fact that it does not recognize the U.S. or international methods of treating trichinae by freezing meat. Serbia requires trichinae testing on all imported U.S. fresh or frozen meat of swine. The USDA's Food Safety Inspection Service is currently discussing the international standards and Serbian testing requirements with the Serbian Veterinary Directorate.

4. Veterinary certificate for canned pet food, intended for export to the Republic of Serbia

Certificate Purpose: This certificate is for animal health purposes and must accompany the consignment until it reaches its destination. It is for identification of the consignor, consignee, origin of fat derivatives, destination of products, place of loading for exportation, means of transport and consignment identification, identification of pet food and health attestation.

This certificate is required by the Ministry of Agriculture, Forestry and Water Management- Veterinary Directorate.

Serbia is requiring the same as a Health Certificate for canned pet food destined for or transiting through the European Union. This certificate is still not endorsable by APHIS, although discussions are on-going.

5. Veterinary certificate for processed pet food other than canned pet food, intended for export to the Republic of Serbia

Certificate Purpose: This certificate is for animal health purposes and must accompany the consignment until it reaches its destination. It is for identification of the consignor, consignee, destination of products, place of loading for exportation, means of transport and consignment identification, identification of pet food and health attestation.

This certificate is required by the Ministry of Agriculture, Forestry and Water Management- Veterinary Directorate.

Serbia is requiring the same as the Health Certificate for processed pet food other than canned pet food destined for or for transit through the European Union. This certificate is still not endorsable by APHIS, although discussions are on-going.

6. Veterinary health certificate for animal by-products for the manufacture of pet food intended for export to the Republic of Serbia

Certificate Purpose: This certificate is for animal health purposes and must accompany the consignment until it reaches its destination. It is for identification of the consignor, consignee, origin of the animal by-products, destination of animal by-products, place of loading for exportation, means of transport and consignment identification, identification of animal by-products and health attestation.

This certificate is required by the Ministry of Agriculture, Forestry and Water Management- Veterinary Directorate.

Serbia is requiring the same as the Health Certificate for animal by-products for the manufacture of pet food destined for or for transit through the European Union.

7. Sanitary certificate for export of dairy products

This certificate has been harmonized with the related US regulations since 2008. It covers heat-treated milk, milk-based products made from heat-treated milk or heat-treated milk-based products for human consumption for export to the Republic of Serbia.

Certificate Purpose: This certificate is for animal and public health purposes and must accompany the consignment until it reaches its destination. It is for identification of the consignor, consignee, identification of the dairy product, product description as well as a sanitary attestation.

This certificate is required by the Ministry of Agriculture, Forestry and Water Management-Veterinary Directorate.

For a sample of the required certificate please go to web page:

http://www.aphis.usda.gov/regulations/vs/iregs/products/product_serbia.shtml

8. Animal health certificate for import of breeding cattle to the Republic of Serbia

Certificate Purpose: This certificate is for animal health purposes and must accompany the consignment until it reaches its destination. It is for identification of the exporting country, competent ministry, issuing authority, country of destination, animal species, animal identification and description, consignor, consignee, registration number (approval), means of transport and consignment identification and animal health information.

This certificate was harmonized with the related U.S. regulation in July 2011.

The certificate is required by the Ministry of Agriculture, Forestry and Water Management- Veterinary Directorate.

For a sample of the required certificate please go to web page:

http://www.aphis.usda.gov/regulations/vs/iregs/animals/animal_serbia.shtml

9. Health certificate for the exportation of bovine semen from the United States of America to the Republic

of Serbia

Certificate Purpose: This certificate is for animal health purposes and must accompany the consignment until it reaches its destination. It is for identification of the semen, country of collection, origin of semen, destination of semen, identification of the donor animals and health attestations.

This certificate is harmonized with the related U.S. regulation in November 2009.

The certificate is required by the Ministry of Agriculture, Forestry and Water Management, Veterinary Directorate.

For a sample of the required certificate please go to web page:

http://www.aphis.usda.gov/regulations/vs/iregs/animals/animal_serbia.shtml

10. Health certificate for the exportation of bovine embryos from the United States of America to the Republic of Serbia

Certificate Purpose: This certificate is for animal health purposes and must accompany the consignment until it reaches its destination. It is for identification of the embryos, country of collection, origin of embryos, destination of embryos, identification of the donor animals and health attestations.

This certificate was harmonized with the related U.S. regulation in October 2009.

The certificate is required by the Ministry of Agriculture, Forestry and Water Management- Veterinary Directorate.

For a sample of the required certificate please go to web page:

http://www.aphis.usda.gov/regulations/vs/iregs/animals/animal_serbia.shtml

11. Health certificate for importation of egg products to Republic of Serbia

Certificate Purpose: This certificate is for animal and public health purposes and must accompany the consignment until it reaches its destination. It is for identification of the consignor, consignee, country of origin, country and place of destination, identification of the commodities, means of transport, health identification and health attestation.

The certificate is required by the Ministry of Agriculture, Forestry and Water Management-Veterinary Directorate.

This certificate currently is not endorsable by APHIS, but discussions are underway to harmonize the requirements.

12. Health certificate for imports into the Republic of Serbia of registered equidae from the United States of America and Canada for breeding and production

Certificate Purpose: This certificate is for animal health purposes and must accompany the consignment until it reaches its destination. It is for identification of the animal, origin and destination of the animal and health attestations.

The certificate is required by the Ministry of Agriculture, Forestry and Water Management- Veterinary Directorate.

This certificate is currently in the process of being harmonization with the related U.S. legislation.

13. Health certificate for meat products intended for import to Republic of Serbia

Certificate Purpose: This certificate is for animal and public health purposes and must accompany the consignment until it reaches its destination. It is for identification of the country of origin, country and place of destination, identification and description of meat products, origin of meat products, destination of meat products and health attestations.

The certificate is required by the Ministry of Agriculture, Forestry and Water Management- Veterinary Directorate

For the US health certificate for meat products see:

http://www.fsis.usda.gov/regulations/Export_Checklist/index.asp

14. Veterinary health certificate FSIS Form No. 9060-5 for exports of poultry meat and poultry meat products

Certificate Purpose: This certificate is for animal and public health purposes and must accompany the consignment of poultry meat and poultry meat products until it reaches its destination. It is for identification of poultry meat and poultry meat products exporter, importer, country of origin, product identification, packaging and labeling and health attestations.

This certificate was harmonized with the related U.S. regulation in 2005.

http://www.fsis.usda.gov/regulations/Export_Checklist/index.asp

The certificate is required by the Ministry of Agriculture, Forestry and Water Management- Veterinary Directorate

15. Certificate of wholesomeness and FSIS Form 9235-1 for exports of poultry meat and poultry products

Certificate Purpose: This certificate is for animal and public health purposes and must accompany the consignment of poultry meat and poultry products until it reaches the place of destination.

This certificate was harmonized with the related U.S. regulation in 2005.

http://www.fsis.usda.gov/regulations/Serbia_Requirements/index.asp

The certificate is required by the Ministry of Agriculture, Forestry and Water Management- Veterinary Directorate.

16. Bilingual Certificate for Wholesomeness

Certificate Purpose: This certificate is for public health purposes and must accompany the consignment until it reaches its destination.

The certificate is required by the Ministry of Agriculture, Forestry and Water Management- Veterinary Directorate

Both, FSIS Forms 9060-5 and 9235-1, must be signed by an FSIS veterinarian (with name and the function printed after the signature). Importers must obtain an import permit as well.

Import procedures for U.S. poultry meat and poultry meat products destined for the Republic of Serbia can be found in Appendix 1 of this report. A Certificate of Wholesomeness and bilingual Certificate for Wholesomeness can be obtained from USDA's Food Safety Inspection Service (FSIS).

See: http://www.fsis.usda.gov/regulations/Serbia_Requirements/index.asp

17. Health certificate for treated hides and skins intended for export to the Republic of Serbia

Certificate Purpose: This certificate is for animal health purposes and must accompany the consignment until it reaches its destination. It is for identification of the destination, country of origin, origin of hides and skins, and health attestations.

The certificate is required by the Ministry of Agriculture, Forestry and Water Management- Veterinary Directorate.

Serbia is requiring the same as a Health Certificate for treated hides and skins destined for or for transit through the European Union. This certificate is still not endorsable by APHIS, but is in the process of being harmonized.

18. Phytosanitary Certificate (for plants, plant products and seed materials)

Certificate Purpose: To certify that the plant product or other regulated articles described herein has been inspected and/or tested according to appropriate official procedures and are considered to be free of quarantine pests specified by the importing contracting party, and to confirm the phytosanitary requirements of the importing contracting party are being met, including those for regulated non-quarantine pests. The certificate also serves to identify treatments and describe the consignment.

The certificate is required by the Ministry of Agriculture, Forestry and Water Management-Plant Protection Directorate.

Phytosanitary Certificate, PPQ Form 577, is sometimes referred to as a FPC (Federal Phytosanitary Certificate). FPC is a phytosanitary certificate that is used by certifying officials in the United States.

See: http://www.aphis.usda.gov/import_export/plants/plant_exports/downloads/ppq577.pdf

19. Phytosanitary Certificate for Re-export (for plants, plant products and seed materials)

Certificate Purpose: Phytosanitary Certificate for Re-export, PPQ Form 579 (also referred to as FPC-R), certifies that based on an original foreign phytosanitary certificate and/or an additional inspection, the plants or plant products that officially entered the United States are considered to conform to the current phytosanitary regulations of the importing country, and have not been subjected to the risk of infestation or infection during storage in the United States.

The certificate is required by the Ministry of Agriculture, Forestry and Water Management-Plant Protection Directorate.

Phytosanitary Certificate, PPQ Form 579, is sometimes referred to as a FPC-R (Federal Phytosanitary Certificate Re-Export).

See: http://www.aphis.usda.gov/import_export/plants/plant_exports

20. Quality Certificate for plants and plant products

Certificate Purpose: To certify that the plant and/or plant product has been inspected and/or tested according to the appropriate official procedures and are considered to be in compliance with the standards of the importing contracting party.

The certificate is required by the Ministry of Agriculture, Forestry and Water Management-Plant Protection Directorate <http://www.uzb.minpolj.gov.rs/index.php?lang=en>

21. Certificate of Organic Products

Certificate Purpose: To attest that the imported products comply with the rules on organic production methods, as set out by the controlled body mentioned in the same document.

Currently foreign certificates for Organic Products must be re-certified and issued by one of the eight recognized institutions listed below (final authorization is given by the Serbian Ministry of Agriculture http://www.dnrl.gov.rs/organska.html?menu_id=104):

"SGS-Beograd"

Address: Juriša Gagarina 7/b, 11070 Belgrade, Serbia

Phone: + 381 11 71 55 275

E-mail: goran.pivnicki@sgs.com

Web page: www.sgs.rs

"ECOCERT BALKAN DOO BEOGRAD"

Address: Glavna 13M/III, 11080 Zemun, Serbia

Phone: + 381 11 2198 352

E-mail: office.balkan@ecocert.com

Web page: <http://www.ecocert.rs/>

"Organic Control System"

Address: Trg cara Jovana Nenada 15/I, 24000 Subotica, Serbia

Phone: + 381 24 554 600

E-mail: info@organica.rs

Web page: www.organica.rs

"Suolo e Salute Balkan"

Address: Bulevar Kralja Aleksandra 98, 11000 Belgrade, Serbia

Phone: + 381 11 2451 377

E-mail: direk.sesbalkan@gmail.com

Web page: www.new.suoloesalute.it

"Etko Panonija"

Address: Cara Dusana 57, 21000 Novi Sad, Serbia

Web page : www.etko-panonija.ls.rs

"Control Union Danube"

Address: Bulevar Mihajla Pupina 21/6, 11070 Belgrade, Serbia

Phone: + 381 11 213 9541

E-mail: spopovic@controlunion.com

Web page: www.certification.controlunion.com

"TUV SUD Serbia"

Address: Rudnicka 2, 11000 Belgrade, Serbia

Phone: + 381 11 244 1111

E-mail: office@tuv.rs

Web page: <http://www.tuv.rs/serbia/rs>

The certificate is required by the Ministry of Agriculture, Forestry and Water Management, Plant Protection Directorate <http://www.uzb.minpolj.gov.rs/index.php?lang=en> .

A list of US organic certifying agents under the National Organics Program can be obtained from the following website: <http://www.ams.usda.gov>

22. Health Certificate (for food products and alcoholic beverages)

Certificate Purpose: To certify that the food product has been inspected and/or tested according to the relevant official procedures and are in accordance with the country of export's legislation. It contains the declaration of the official authority stating that the product is fit for human consumption, or for production of food intended for human consumption.

The certificate is required by the Ministry of Agriculture, Forestry and Water Management and the Ministry of Health.

A certificate of Free Sale from the Food and Drug Administration can be obtained from the following website: <http://www.fda.gov/Food/NewsEvents/ConstituentUpdates/ucm307264.htm>

23. Certificate of Origin (for food products and alcoholic beverages)

Certificate Purpose: To certify the origin of the food product exported to the Republic of Serbian market.

The certificate is required by the Ministry of Agriculture, Forestry and Water Management and the Ministry of Health.

A certificate of origin can be obtained from most US chambers of commerce

24. Certificate of Quality (for food products and alcoholic beverages)

Certificate Purpose: To certify that the food product has been inspected and/or tested according to the relevant official procedures and are considered to be in compliance with the standards of the importing contracting party. The certificate content is specific to the actual product but usually contains analyzed parameters, physical and chemical characteristics, heavy metals analysis, microbiological statement, ingredient list and nutritional value.

<http://www.fda.gov/Food/NewsEvents/ConstituentUpdates/ucm307264.htm>

The certificate is required by the Ministry of Agriculture, Forestry and Water Management and the Ministry of Health.

25. International Seed Testing Association (ISTA) Certificate (Seed materials)

Certificate Purpose: To certify seed quality. It contains the following information: stamp of the testing and issuing laboratory, name of applicant, species, cultivars, category, marks and weight of lot, analysis results, status of certificate, number of containers, etc.

The certificate is required by the Ministry of Agriculture, Forestry and Water Management

To review this certificate please, see the following web page:

<http://www.seedtest.org/en/home.html>

26. Organization for Economic Co-operation and Development (OECD) varietal certification of seed for

international trade (Seed materials)

Certificate Purpose: To certify the variety and origin of the seed material.

The certificate is required by the Ministry of Agriculture, Forestry and Water Management http://www.mpt.gov.rs/poljoprivreda.html?menu_id=9 and <http://www.uzb.minpolj.gov.rs/index.php?lang=en>

27. Certification on Radiation (for Food Products)

Certificate Purpose: Certifies the level of radiation in the imported food product. The Inspector may ask for this certificate, especially if the goods are coming from an area or country where higher levels of radiation have been registered or suspected.

The certificate is required by the Ministry of Agriculture, Forestry and Water Management and the Ministry of Health. For US products this certificate can be obtained from FAS/OASA /PPTRD (processed products division). <http://www.fas.usda.gov/oasa.asp>

Section III. Specific Attestations Required on Export Certificate(s)

All certificates, the ones that are standardized and the ones that are not standardized are listed in Section I. Certificates that are not standardized by the Serbian Government must be issued by an independent and accredited institution in the exporting country. In addition, the Serbian Ministry of Agriculture will authorize accredited institutions in Serbia that deal with organic product certification to re-issue certificates for all imported organic products based on the certificates and import documents from the country of origin.

Section IV. Government Certificate's Legal Entry Requirements

All certificates listed in this report must accompany a product at the time of entry and must be original. They are applied to single shipments only.

Serbia does not accept the supplier or manufacturer export declaration as a proof of compliance with Serbian regulations and standards. Furthermore, inspectors have the right to ask for additional information from the producer or other related certification from the competent authorities in the exporting country. For the non-standardized certificates listed in Section I, Serbia will accept a State-issued export certificates from the United States, if these certificates are in accordance with Serbian legislation.

Section V. Other Certification/Accreditation Requirements

For food imports, international certificates on the health safety of the consignment are recognized based on bilateral and multilateral conventions as issued by the competent authority of the exporting country. If the conventions are non-existent, recognition of the international certificates and other documents will be carried out.

Beside the specific and aforementioned certificate(s), all imported goods must be accompanied by commercial invoices and transportation documents at the time of entry into the Republic of Serbia.

Appendix I.

Electronic Copy or Outline of Each Export Certificate

Electronic copies of Export Certificates can be founded on web links in the report. For other certificates that are not available on-line, or for more details, please contact:

FAS Office Belgrade, Serbia

Phone: +381 11 306 4802

Fax: + 381 11 306 4922

E-mail: tatjana.maslac@fas.usda.gov

Web page: <http://serbia.usembassy.gov/fas.html>

Serbian Ministry of Agriculture, Forestry and Water Management

Nemanjina 22-26,

11000 Belgrade, Serbia

Phone: ++ 381 11 260 7960

Fax: ++ 381 11 260 7961

E-mail: info@minpolj.gov.rs

Web page: www.mpt.gov.rs

<http://www.uzb.minpolj.gov.rs/index.php?lang=en>

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For more information on the Serbian legislations concerning food safety, animal identification, pesticides and contaminants, planting seeds and labeling requirements, please refer to the Serbia GAIN FAIRS Country Annual Report for 2012, No. RB1220. This report also contains contact information of relevant government agencies.

The sanitary requirements and veterinary regulations, standards, testing fees and sampling procedures applied for imports of U.S. poultry meat and products can be reviewed in the GAIN Report No. SR5004:

<http://www.fas.usda.gov/gainfiles/200506/146130103.pdf>