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Turkish Poultry Exports to Russia

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Report Highlights:

After a May 11-12 visit to Turkey by a Russian delegation, the Russian Ministry of Agriculture announced that import restrictions on Turkish poultry are gone and that the Russian quota for Turkish poultry will increase to 150,000 MT in 2011.

General Information:

The Russian president and several other Ministers including Russian Minister of Agriculture Skrynnik visited Turkey on May 11-12, 2010. During this visit Turkey and Russia signed four protocols on Agriculture. The names of protocols are:

1. Memorandum of Understanding (MoU)
2. Protocols about grain and grain product controls and safety evaluations and plant protection control during trade
3. Two protocols to simplify procedures for exporting processed and unprocessed poultry products to Russia

In the press conference, the Russian Ministry of Agriculture stated that the poultry quota for Turkey is 57,000 MT for 2010 and will increase to 150,000 MT in 2011 and that there are currently no legal barriers to Turkish exports of poultry to Russia. He said now that the governments have reached agreement, it is up to the private sector whether or not to import Turkish poultry.

The leading poultry importing company of Russia, Miratog, accompanied the Russian delegation during the visit to Turkey and stated that it has been discussing possible imports with Turkish companies for the past three months.