NOTIFICATION OF EMERGENCY MEASURES

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| **1.** | **Notifying Member:** KINGDOM OF SAUDI ARABIA**If applicable, name of local government involved:**  |
| **2.** | **Agency responsible:** National Center for the Prevention and Control of Plants Pest and Animal Diseases |
| **3.** | **Products covered (provide tariff item number(s) as specified in national schedules deposited with the WTO; ICS numbers should be provided in addition, where applicable):** Livestock |
| **4.** | **Regions or countries likely to be affected, to the extent relevant or practicable:****[****] All trading partners** **[****X] Specific regions or countries:** Türkiye |
| **5.** | **Title of the notified document:** Notice of the Ministry of Environment Water and Agriculture, Decision No. 232453/104922/1444 dated 29 March 2023 entitled "Temporary ban on importation of livestock originated from Türkiye". **Language(s):** . **Number of pages:**  |
| **6.** | **Description of content:** Following the WOAH report which indicates that a Foot-and-mouth disease outbreak has occurred in Türkiye, it is deemed necessary for the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia to prevent the entry of the disease into the country. Therefore, the importation of livestock from Türkiye to the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia is temporarily suspended. |
| **7.** | **Objective and rationale: [****] food safety, [****X] animal health, [****] plant protection, [****] protect humans from animal/plant pest or disease, [****] protect territory from other damage from pests.**  |
| **8.** | **Nature of the urgent problem(s) and reason for urgent action:** An outbreak of Foot‑and-mouth disease in Türkiye was reported by official announcement of the World Organization for Animal Health (WOAH). It urges the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia to institute this emergency measure to prevent the entry of the disease into the country. |
| **9.** | **Is there a relevant international standard? If so, identify the standard:** **[****] Codex Alimentarius Commission *(e.g. title or serial number of Codex standard or related text)*:** **[****X] World Organization for Animal Health (OIE) *(e.g. Terrestrial or Aquatic Animal Health Code, chapter number)*:** Animal Terrestrial health code, Chapter 8.8**[****] International Plant Protection Convention *(e.g. ISPM number)*:** **[****] None****Does this proposed regulation conform to the relevant international standard?****[****X] Yes [****] No****If no, describe, whenever possible, how and why it deviates from the international standard:**  |
| **10.** | **Other relevant documents and language(s) in which these are available:**   |
| **11.** | **Date of entry into force (*dd/mm/yy*)/period of application (as applicable):** 29 March 2023**[****X] Trade facilitating measure**  |
| **12.** | **Agency or authority designated to handle comments: [****X] National Notification Authority, [****X] National Enquiry Point. Address, fax number and e-mail address (if available) of other body:** Saudi Food and Drug Authority - Food SectorContact person: Mohammed AL HuthielSFDA - 4904 North Ring branch rd- Hitteen Dist Unit Number (1) - Riyadh 13513 - 7148Tel: +(966 11) 203 8222, Ext: 3313E-mail: spsep.food@sfda.gov.saWebsite: <http://www.sfda.gov.sa> |
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