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Committee on Sanitary and Phytosanitary Measures

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NOTIFICATION OF EMERGENCY MEASURES

1.	Member to Agreement notifying: <u>ALBANIA</u> If applicable, name of local government involved:
2.	Agency responsible: Ministry of Agriculture, Food and Consumer Protection
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): All varieties of live freshwater carps and their products
4.	Regions or countries likely to be affected, to the extent relevant or practicable: Provinces of Lancashire, Sussex, Essex and Yorkshire (England)
5.	Title, language and number of pages of the notified document: Order of Minister of Agriculture, Food and Consumer Protection "On some protective measures against the Koi Herpes Virus outbreak in England" (available in English, 2 pages)
6.	Description of content: This Order of Minister of Agriculture, Food and Consumer Protection presents some protective measures against the Koi Herpes Virus (KHV) outbreak in England, stopping the import and transition of all kinds of live freshwater carps and their products from the provinces of Lancashire, Sussex, Essex and Yorkshire (England) to the territory of Albania.
7.	Objective and rationale: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> food safety, <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> animal health, <input type="checkbox"/> plant protection, <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> protect humans from animal/plant pest or disease, <input type="checkbox"/> protect territory from other damage from pests
8.	Nature of the urgent problem(s) and reason for urgent action: This Order is to protect consumers, stopping imports and transition of all kinds of freshwater carps and their products from the provinces of Lancashire, Sussex, Essex and Yorkshire (England) to the territory of Albania.
9.	International standard, guideline or recommendation: <input type="checkbox"/> Codex Alimentarius Commission, <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> World Organization for Animal Health (OIE), <input type="checkbox"/> International Plant Protection Convention, <input type="checkbox"/> None If an international standard, guideline or recommendation exists, give the appropriate reference and briefly identify deviations:
10.	Relevant documents and language(s) in which these are available: Notifications taken from the World Organization for Animal Health, based on the International Aquatic Animal Health Code.

11.	Date of entry into force/period of application (as applicable): 10 September 2007
12.	Agency or authority designated to handle comments: [X] National notification authority, [X] National enquiry point, or address, fax number and E-mail address (if available) of other body:
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