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Committee on Sanitary and Phytosanitary Measures

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NOTIFICATION OF EMERGENCY MEASURES

1.	Member to Agreement notifying: <u>UNITED ARAB EMIRATES</u> If applicable, name of local government involved:
2.	Agency responsible: Ministry of Environment and Water (MEW)
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 kinds of living, slaughtered, domestic, wild, bred in captivity birds and products and offals therefrom
4.	Regions or countries likely to be affected, to the extent relevant or practicable: Niger
5.	Title, language and number of pages of the notified document: Ministerial Decree Number (96) of the year 2006 Concerning Importation ban of all kinds of living, slaughtered, domestic, wild, bred in captivity birds and products and offals therefrom from Niger (Available in Arabic & English, 2 pages).
6.	Description of content: Importation of all kinds of living, slaughtered, domestic, wild, bred in captivity birds and products and offals therefrom shall be banned temporarily till further notice from Niger due to the appearance of Bird Flu cases therein.
7.	Objective and rationale: <input 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 reasons for urgent action: By virtue of the information received from the International Organization for Animal Health (OIE) which states the appearance of Avian Flue in Niger and due to concerns for the safety of human and animal health in the country against infiltration of any contagious and epidemic diseases especially the zoonotic ones and upon the necessities of the public interest.
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: 2.7.12.

10.	Relevant documents and language(s) in which these are available: Ministerial Decree Number (96) of the year 2006 Concerning Importation ban of all kinds of living, slaughtered, domestic, wild, bred in captivity birds and products and offals therefrom shall be banned temporarily till further notice from Niger due to the appearance of Bird Flu cases therein. http://www.uae.gov.ae/uaeagricent/RULES_REGULATIONS/decision/rule96_6.doc (Arabic). http://www.uae.gov.ae/uaeagricent/RULES_REGULATIONS/decision/rule96_e6.doc (English)
11.	Date of entry into force/period of application (as applicable): 25 March 2006
12.	Agency or authority designated to handle comments: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> National notification authority, <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> National enquiry point, or address, fax number and E-mail address (if available) of other body: En. Mohamed Moussa Abdullah Director of Protection & Plant Quarantine Dep't Responsible for WTO SPS Enquiries Ministry of Agriculture and Fisheries P.O. Box 1509 United Arab Emirates - Dubai Work Tel: +971 4 29 57650 +971 4 202 6634 Fax: +971 4 2945994 Mobile: +971 50 6342226 Email: plant.maf@uae.gov.ae http://www.uae.gov.ae/uaeagricent/
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