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Committee on Sanitary and
Phytosanitary Measures

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NOTIFICATION

1. Member to Agreement notifying: <u>ARGENTINA</u> If applicable, name of local government involved:
2. Agency responsible: <i>Servicio Nacional de Sanidad y Calidad Agroalimentaria – SENASA</i> (National Agriculture and Food Quality and Health Service)
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): Foxes
4. Regions or countries likely to be affected, to the extent relevant or practicable: Trading partners
5. Title, language and number of pages of the notified document: <i>Condiciones Sanitarias para autorizar la Importación de Zorros con destino a Peletería en la República Argentina</i> (Health requirements for importing foxes into the Argentine Republic for use in the fur industry) (13 pages, in Spanish)
6. Description of content: The notified standard sets forth the health requirements for the entry into Argentina of foxes for use in the fur industry. It also contains models of the application form for importing foxes for use in the fur industry (<i>Solicitud de Importación de Zorros con destino a Peletería</i>) and the international veterinary certificate for the importation of foxes into the Argentine Republic for use in the fur industry (<i>Modelo de Certificado Veterinario Internacional para Amparar la Importación de Zorros con destino a Peletería a la República Argentina</i>). Amongst other requirements, foxes are to be kept in isolation for a quarantine period of 15 days prior to dispatch to the Argentine Republic. They are to be held in an isolation unit equipped for this purpose, in the establishment of origin. During this period, they are to be tested, with negative results, for brucellosis, leptospirosis and tuberculosis, using the methods specified in the international veterinary certificate. Foxes must also be treated against internal and external parasites common to the species, using products approved by the veterinary authorities, so as to guarantee a satisfactory state of health in this respect.
7. Objective and rationale: [] food safety, [X] animal health, [] plant protection, [X] protect humans from animal/plant pest or disease, [] protect territory from other damage from pests

<p>8. International standard, guideline or recommendation: <input type="checkbox"/> Codex Alimentarius Commission, <input type="checkbox"/> World Organization for Animal Health (OIE), <input type="checkbox"/> International Plant Protection Convention, <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> None</p> <p>If an international standard, guideline or recommendation exists, give the appropriate reference and briefly identify deviations:</p>
<p>9. Relevant documents and language(s) in which these are available: The measure will be published in the <i>Boletín Oficial</i> (Official Journal) upon adoption.</p>
<p>10. Proposed date of adoption: To be determined.</p>
<p>11. Proposed date of entry into force: To be determined.</p>
<p>12. Final date for comments: 60 days from the date of notification.</p> <p>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:</p>
<p>13. Texts available from: <input 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:</p> <p>Servicio Nacional de Sanidad y Calidad Agroalimentaria – SENASA Coordinación de Relaciones Internacionales Av. Paseo Colón 367 (C1063 ACW) Buenos Aires, Argentina Tel.: + (5411) 4121 5353 Fax: + (5411) 4121 5360 E-mail: relint@senasa.gov.ar Web site: http://www.senasa.gov.ar</p>