

WORLD TRADE ORGANIZATION

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Committee on Sanitary and Phytosanitary Measures

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NOTIFICATION OF EMERGENCY MEASURES

1. Member to Agreement notifying: <u>EGYPT</u> If applicable, name of local government involved:
2. Agency responsible: General Organization for Veterinary Services (GOVS)
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): De-boned frozen beef
4. Regions or countries likely to be affected, to the extent relevant or practicable: Canada
5. Title, language and number of pages of the notified document: "Ban importation of de-boned frozen beef from British Columbia province in Canada" (Available in Arabic, 1 page).
6. Description of content: GOVS decided to prohibit the importation of de-boned frozen beef from British Columbia province in Canada.
7. Objective and rationale: <input type="checkbox"/> food safety, <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> animal health, <input type="checkbox"/> plant protection, <input 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: This measure is due to the recording of BSE outbreak in the province of British Columbia province in Canada.
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: Copy of GOVS decree (Available in Arabic, 1 page).
11. Date of entry into force/period of application (as applicable): 31 May 2006

- 12. Agency or authority designated to handle comments: [] National notification authority, [X] National enquiry point, or address, fax number and E-mail address (if available) of other body:**

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