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## DISEASE STATUS UPDATE

### COMMUNICATION FROM SWITZERLAND

The following communication, received on 24 June 2015, is being circulated at the request of the Delegation of Switzerland.

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1. In accordance with Art. 6 of the SPS Agreement, Switzerland would like to communicate updates on its disease status for classical swine fever (CSF) and bovine spongiform encephalopathy (BSE).

2. According to Resolution No. 24<sup>1</sup> and Resolution No. 21<sup>2</sup>, adopted during the 83<sup>rd</sup> General Session of the World Organization for Animal Health (OIE) in May 2015, the Assembly has recognized Switzerland as:

- being free from classical swine fever (CSF) in accordance with chapter 15.2 of the Terrestrial Code; and
- having a negligible risk for bovine spongiform encephalopathy (BSE) in accordance with chapter 11.4 of the Terrestrial Code.

3. This resolution was adopted by the World Assembly of Delegates of the OIE on 26 May 2015 and has entered into force on 30 May 2015.

4. Switzerland asks WTO Members to act in accordance to Art. 6, paragraph 2 of the SPS Agreement and to lift all restrictions on trade with Switzerland related to both these diseases.

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[http://www.oie.int/fileadmin/Home/eng/Animal\\_Health\\_in\\_the\\_World/docs/pdf/2015\\_A\\_RESO\\_R24\\_CSF.pdf](http://www.oie.int/fileadmin/Home/eng/Animal_Health_in_the_World/docs/pdf/2015_A_RESO_R24_CSF.pdf).

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[http://www.oie.int/fileadmin/Home/eng/Animal\\_Health\\_in\\_the\\_World/docs/pdf/2015\\_A\\_RESO\\_R21\\_BSE.pdf](http://www.oie.int/fileadmin/Home/eng/Animal_Health_in_the_World/docs/pdf/2015_A_RESO_R21_BSE.pdf).