

TRANSPARENCY

Statement by Israel at the meeting of 14-15 March 2001

1. In relation to transparency, Israel is glad to inform that our policy and updated import requirements related to BSE are available on the Internet. They include the official figures on numbers and origin of imported bovines and products since the eighties. These figures may avoid citing figures from external sources which in some cases have been found to lack accuracy. Details of the relevant web-sites will be distributed to the Members through the WTO.

2. Further to Israel's emergency notification related to BSE, Members are kindly informed that the relevant documents:

- BSE – world situation and the dangers of outbreak of the disease in Israel (including the official, long-term data on numbers, quantities and origin of imported live cattle and animal products);
- Changes in the Israeli policy regarding BSE;

can be downloaded at the following internet web-sites:

<http://www.israel-embassy.org.uk/web/pages/ivsah.pdf>

<http://www.israel-embassy.org.uk/web/pages/bse.pdf>

and

<http://www.move-in.org/IL/BSE-Israel.doc>

<http://www.move-in.org/IL/BSE-Israel-changes.doc>
