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Committee on Sanitary and Phytosanitary Measures

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NOTIFICATION

1. Member to Agreement notifying: <u>ALBANIA</u> If applicable, name of local government involved:
2. Agency responsible: Ministry of Agriculture, Food and Consumer Protection
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): Meat, meat products, milk products
4. Regions or countries likely to be affected, to the extent relevant or practicable: Argentina
5. Title, language and number of pages of the notified document: Order of Minister of Agriculture, Food and Consumer Protection "On taking off the protective measures against the epizootic aphtha for Argentina" (foot and mouth disease) (available in Albanian, 2 pages)
6. Description of content: This Order of Minister of Agriculture, Food and Consumer Protection is for permission of imports of meat, meat products and milk products originating from animals when they fulfil the following condition: to be processed in a plant allowed for export; to have the Veterinary Certification of Argentina which guarantees their origin and confirms the condition of this order.
7. Objective and rationale: <input checked="" 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 The objective is to permit imports of meat and meat and milk products.
8. International standard, guideline or recommendation: <input checked="" 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:
9. Relevant documents and language(s) in which these are available: Notifications taken from the World Organization for Animal Health, according to the International Code of Health of Animals, Codex Alimentarius
10. Proposed date of adoption: n/a

11.	Proposed date of entry into force: 25 June 2007
12.	Final date for comments: n/a 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:
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