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Committee on Sanitary and Phytosanitary Measures

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NOTIFICATION

1.	Member to Agreement notifying: <u>EUROPEAN COMMUNITIIES</u> If applicable, name of local government involved:
2.	Agency responsible: European Commission Directorate-General VI, Agriculture
3.	Products covered (provide tariff item number(s) as specified in national schedules deposited with the WTO; ICS numbers may be provided in addition, where applicable). Regions or countries likely to be affected, to the extent relevant or practicable: Gelatine intended for human consumption and raw materials destined to the production of gelatine intended for human consumption
4.	Title and number of pages of the notified document: Draft Commission Decision amending Annex II to Council Directive 92/118/EEC laying down animal health and public health requirements governing trade in and imports into the Community of products not subject to the said requirements laid down in specific Community rules referred to in Annex A (I) to Directive 89/662/EEC and, as regards pathogens, to Directive 90/425/EEC (13 pages)
5.	Description of content: The establishment of public health conditions applicable to the preparation of gelatine intended for human consumption, including specific rules regarding the conditions for establishments producing gelatine, the requirements for raw materials to be used for the production of gelatine, the requirements regarding transport and storage of raw materials, the requirements regarding the manufacture of gelatine, the requirements regarding packaging, storage and transport of the finished product, and the requirements regarding the importation of gelatine and of raw materials destined to the production of gelatine intended for human consumption.
6.	Objective and rationale: [X] food safety, [] animal health, [] plant protection, [] protect humans from animal/plant pest or disease, [] protect territory from other damage from pests
7.	An international standard, guideline or recommendation does not exist []. If an international standard, guideline or recommendation exists, give the appropriate reference and briefly identify deviations: OIE Code 3.2.13 as adopted on 21 May 1999 makes specific provisions in the context of BSE. The notified measure also lays down general standards which are not related to BSE, and which are not covered by international standards.
8.	Relevant documents and language(s) in which these are available: European Commission Document VI/4841/98 Rev.11 (Available in English, French and Spanish)
9.	Proposed date of adoption: September 1999

10.	Proposed date of entry into force: 8 months after adoption
11.	Final date for comments: 25 August 1999 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:
12.	Texts available from: [] National notification authority, [X] National enquiry point or address, fax number and E-mail address (if available) of other body: