

Committee on Sanitary and Phytosanitary Measures

NOTIFICATION OF EMERGENCY MEASURES

1. Member to Agreement notifying: <u>ARGENTINA</u> If applicable, name of local government involved:
2. Agency responsible: National Agriculture and Food Quality and Health Service (SENASA)
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: Products, by-products and derivatives of poultry, swine, bovine animals (including dairy produce and its by-products), sheep, goats, canidae and fish farming; animal feeds. Belgium, France, Netherlands.
4. Title and number of pages of the notified document: Food Contamination by Dioxin
5. Description of content: Control of food products, by-products and derivatives of poultry, bovine animals, swine and sheep for human or animal consumption in facilities under SENASA control, produced in the Netherlands, Belgium or France after 15 January 1999, until they are guaranteed free of contamination by dioxin.
6. Objective and rationale: <input checked="" 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
7. Nature of the urgent problem(s): The recent events in Belgium involving contamination by dioxin and to protect public health
8. An international standard, guideline or recommendation does not exist <input type="checkbox"/> . If an international standard, guideline or recommendation exists, give its appropriate reference and briefly identify deviations: IFCS/IS63/98.17B of the WHO, Press Release WHO/45
9. Relevant documents and language(s) in which these are available: SENASA Resolution 595/99, <i>Boletín Oficial</i> (Official Journal) of 22 June 1999
10. Date of entry into force/period of application (as applicable): Immediately

- 11. Texts available from/and agency or authority designated to handle comments:**
[] National notification authority, [] National enquiry point or address, fax number and E-mail address (if available) of other body:

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