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Committee on Sanitary and Phytosanitary Measures

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NOTIFICATION OF EMERGENCY MEASURES

1.	Notifying Member: <u>ALBANIA</u> If applicable, name of local government involved:
2.	Agency responsible: Ministry of Agriculture, Rural Development and Water Management
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): Live animals (domestic and wild ruminants, pigs), meat, processed meat, milk
4.	Regions or countries likely to be affected, to the extent relevant or practicable: <input type="checkbox"/> All trading partners <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Specific regions or countries: Somaa, Beni Khiar, Nabeul, Tunisia
5.	Title of the notified document: Order of the Minister of Agriculture, Rural Development and Water Management "On some protective measures against the Foot and Mouth Disease in Tunisia" Language(s): Albanian Number of pages: 2
6.	Description of content: This Order of the Minister of Agriculture, Rural Development and Water Management provides some protective measures against the outbreak of foot and mouth disease in the region of Somaa, Beni Khiar, Nabeul, Tunisia. Stopping the import of all live animals (domestic and wild) like cattle, pigs, sheep and goats, from the territory of the region of Somaa, Beni Khiar, Nabeul, Tunisia to the Albanian territory; stopping the import of meat and products of the above-mentioned animals and milk from the territory of the region of Somaa, Beni Khiar, Nabeul, Tunisia to the Albanian territory. The veterinary certificate should guarantee their origin. The measures also consist in stopping the import of animal feeding products that contain products from animal origin; stopping the import of unsterile biological materials from the territory of the region of Somaa, Beni Khiar, Nabeul, Tunisia to the Albanian territory.
7.	Objective and rationale: <input 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 checked="" type="checkbox"/> protect territory from other damage from pests. The objective is to protect human and animal health in the territory of Albania against the foot and mouth disease outbreak into the territory of region of Somaa, Beni Khiar, Nabeul, Tunisia.
8.	Nature of the urgent problem(s) and reason for urgent action: This Order is to protect human and animal health from foot and mouth disease, stopping the import and transit of live animals and their products.

9.	<p>Is there a relevant international standard? If so, identify the standard:</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Codex Alimentarius Commission (<i>e.g. title or serial number of Codex standard or related text</i>)</p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> World Organization for Animal Health (OIE) (<i>e.g. Terrestrial or Aquatic Animal Health Code, chapter number</i>) Chapter number 8.5 "Foot and Mouth Disease"</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> International Plant Protection Convention (<i>e.g. ISPM number</i>)</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> None</p> <p>Does this proposed regulation conform to the relevant international standard? <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No</p> <p>If no, describe, whenever possible, how and why it deviates from the international standard:</p>
10.	<p>Other relevant documents and language(s) in which these are available: Notifications taken by the World Organization for Animal Health, OIE, dated 29 April 2014, related to the outbreak of foot and mouth disease in the region of Soma, Beni Khia, Nabeul, Tunisia and according to the International Terrestrial Animal Health Code.</p>
11.	<p>Date of entry into force (dd/mm/yy)/period of application (as applicable): 6 May 2014</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Trade facilitating measure</p>
12.	<p>Agency or authority designated to handle comments: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> National Notification Authority, <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> National Enquiry Point. Address, fax number and e-mail address (if available) of other body:</p>
13.	<p>Texts available from: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> National Notification Authority, <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> National Enquiry Point. Address, fax number and e-mail address (if available) of other body:</p> <p>General Directory of Agriculture Services and Fishery SPS Enquiry Point - Albania Tel: +(355 4) 2 259 333 Fax: +(355 4) 2 259 333 E-mail: mbumk_sps@yahoo.com Website: http://www.mbumk.gov.al</p>