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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: Region of El Bayadh, Algeria and region of Khvod, Mongolia
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 Mongolia and Algeria" Language(s): Albanian Number of pages: 2
6.	Description of content: This Order of the Minister of Agriculture, Rural Development and Water Management provide some protective measures against the outbreak of foot and mouth disease from the region of Khvod in Mongolia and the region of El Bayadh in Algeria. Stopping the import of all live animals (domestic and wild) like cattle, pigs, sheep and goats, from the region of Khvod in Mongolia and the region of El Bayadh in Algeria into the Albanian territory; stopping the import of meat and products of the above-mentioned animals and milk from the region of Khvod in Mongolia and from the region of El Bayadh in Algeria into 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 region of Khvod in Mongolia and the region of El Bayadh in Algeria into 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 in the region of Khvod in Mongolia and the region of El Bayadh in Algeria.
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 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?</p> <p><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:</p> <p>Notifications taken by the World Organization for Animal Health, OIE, dated 6 March 2015 and dated 10 March 2015, related to the outbreak of foot and mouth disease in the region of Khvod in Mongolia and in the region of El Bayadh in Algeria 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):</p> <p>17 March 2015</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>Text(s) 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>Directorate For Food safety and Consumer Protection Policies 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.bujqesia.gov.al</p>