



2 July 2014

(14-3809)

Page: 1/2

Committee on Sanitary and Phytosanitary Measures

Original: English

NOTIFICATION

1.	Notifying Member: <u>UNITED ARAB EMIRATES</u> If applicable, name of local government involved:
2.	Agency responsible: Ministry of Environment and Water (MOEW)
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 ruminant and their products
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: South Africa
5.	Title of the notified document: Ministerial Decree Number (361) of the year 2014 concerning lifting the ban on the importation of live ruminant and their products originating from FMD-free zone in South Africa Language(s): Arabic Number of pages: 1
6.	Description of content: Regarding the regain of FMD-free zone where vaccination is not practised in South Africa in 2014, and in compliance with Article 8.6.2 Chapter 8.6 of the OIE Terrestrial Animal Health Code. The United Arab Emirates was lifting the ban on the importation of live ruminant and their products originating from FMD-free zone in South Africa.
7.	Objective and rationale: <input 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.
8.	Is there a relevant international standard? If so, identify the standard: <input type="checkbox"/> Codex Alimentarius Commission (<i>e.g. title or serial number of Codex standard or related text</i>) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> World Organization for Animal Health (OIE) (<i>e.g. Terrestrial or Aquatic Animal Health Code, chapter number</i>) Chapter 8.6 of the OIE Terrestrial Animal Health Code <input type="checkbox"/> International Plant Protection Convention (<i>e.g. ISPM number</i>) <input type="checkbox"/> None Does this proposed regulation conform to the relevant international standard? <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No If no, describe, whenever possible, how and why it deviates from the international standard:

9.	Other relevant documents and language(s) in which these are available: http://www.moew.gov.ae/ar/laws-and-legislations/ministerial-decrees/released-banning-decrees.aspx (available in Arabic)
10.	Proposed date of adoption (dd/mm/yy): 15 June 2014 Proposed date of publication (dd/mm/yy): 15 June 2014
11.	Proposed date of entry into force: [] Six months from date of publication, and/or (dd/mm/yy): 15 June 2014 [X] Trade facilitating measure
12.	Final date for comments: [X] Sixty days from the date of circulation of the notification and/or (dd/mm/yy): 31 August 2014 Agency or authority designated to handle comments: [X] National Notification Authority, [X] National Enquiry Point. Address, fax number and e-mail address (if available) of other body: Eng. Saif Moh. Al-Shara Assistant Undersecretary for the Agricultural Affairs and Animal Sector Responsible for WTO SPS Enquiries Ministry of Environment and Water P.O. Box 1509 United Arab Emirates - Dubai Work Tel: +(971 4) 2148 400 Fax: +(971 4) 2655 822 Mobile: +(971 50) 6295 050 E-mail: smalshara@moew.gov.ae Website: http://www.moew.gov.ae
13.	Texts available from: [X] National Notification Authority, [X] National Enquiry Point. Address, fax number and e-mail address (if available) of other body: Dr Mervat Mari Al Nuaimat Acting Veterinarian in Animal Health and Development Department/ Quarantine Ministry of Environment and Water P.O. Box 1509 United Arab Emirates - Dubai Work Tel: +(971 4) 2148 478 Fax: +(971 4) 2655 822 Mobile: +(971 55) 8260 304 E-mail: mmalnuaimat@moew.gov.ae Website: http://www.moew.gov.ae