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Committee on Sanitary and Phytosanitary Measures Original: English

NOTIFICATION OF EMERGENCY MEASURES

1.	**Member to Agreement notifying:** ALBANIA **If applicable, name of local government involved:**
2.	**Agency responsible:** Ministry of Agriculture, Food and Consumer Protection
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):** All live domestic and wild pigs
4.	**Regions or countries likely to be affected, to the extent relevant or practicable**: Bulgaria, region of Kjustendil
5.	**Title, language and number of pages of the notified document:** Order of the Minister of Agriculture, Food and Consumer Protection "On some protective measures against the outbreak of Classical Swine Fever in Bulgaria" (available in Albanian, 2 pages)
6.	**Description of content:** This Order of the Minister of Agriculture, Food and Consumer Protection presents some protective measures against the outbreak of Classical Swine Fever stopping the import and transit of live pigs (wild and domestic), semen of domestic and wild pigs, fresh meat of domestic and wild pigs, pig products destined for animal feed or for agricultural and industrial uses, etc, from the region of Kjustendil of Bulgaria into the territory of Albania.
7.	**Objective and rationale: [X] food safety, [X] animal health, [ ] plant protection, [X] protect humans from animal/plant pest or disease, [ ] protect territory from other damage from pests** The objective is to stop the import and transit of all live pigs (domestic and wild), fresh meat of domestic and wild pigs, etc from Bulgaria into the territory of Albania.
8.	**Nature of the urgent problem(s) and reason for urgent action:** The outbreak of the Classical Swine Fever (domestic and wild) in Bulgaria, region of Kjustendil
9.	**International standard, guideline or recommendation:** **[X] Codex Alimentarius Commission, [X] World Organization for Animal Health (OIE), [ ] International Plant Protection Convention, [ ] None** **If an international standard, guideline or recommendation exists, give the appropriate reference and briefly identify deviations:**
10.	**Relevant documents and language(s) in which these are available:** Notifications taken from the World Organization of Animal Health, dated 26 May 2008, according to the International Terrestrial Animal Health Code.

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11.	**Date of entry into force/period of application (as applicable):** 28 May 2008
12.	**Agency or authority designated to handle comments: [X] National notification authority, [X] National enquiry point, or address, fax number and E-mail address (if available) of other body:**
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