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Import of agricultural products into the Republic of South Africa

The Republic of South Africa has once again been awarded an opportunity to host the 2013 CAF Africa Cup of Nations soccer tournament. A total of 32 nations will be battling it out at this prestigious event. Thousands of visitors from participating nations will flock into our country to support their teams for the duration of the event.

The Directorate Food Import and Export Standards of the Department of Agriculture, Forestry and Fisheries (DAFF) would like to inform all national teams and their supporters who will be travelling to South Africa of the import requirements for agricultural products. Such products include animals and animal products, plants and plant products, as well as any other potentially contaminated and infectious things. Bringing in of these products require an import permit from relevant directorates within the DAFF. This is in accordance with the Republic's relevant acts and regulations which are aimed at preventing the introduction, spread as well as establishment of pests and diseases of plants and animals from other parts of the world.

Also, the importation of certain alcoholic products with an alcohol content of more than one percent into the Republic for drinking purposes is restricted except on the authority of an import certificate issued by the administering officer.

Please contact our import permit offices for further information regarding the importing of the following products:

- Animals and animal products at Tel: +27 12 319 7514/ 7406/ 7632/ 7414 or Fax: + 27 329 8292/ +27 319 7491 or E-mail: BietjieM@daff.gov.za.
- Plants and plant products at Tel: +27 12 319 6102/ 6396, Fax +27 12 319 6370, E-mail: JeremiahMa@daff.gov.za or AnitaSn@daff.gov.za, and
- Alcoholic products at Tel: +27 11 971 5138 / +27 12 319 6137, E-mail SiboneloN@daff.gov.za or ThysL@daff.gov.za.

All the consignments must be presented at the port of entry for such inspection as the executive officer deems necessary. The consignments may not be removed from the port of entry without written authorization.

For information on DAFF inspection services and procedures please contact the Directorate Inspection Services at Tel: +27 12 309 8735, Fax: +27 12 309 8787, Email: MaishaE@daff.gov.za.