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NOTIFICATION OF EMERGENCY MEASURES

Addendum

The following communication, received on 27 March 2018, is being circulated at the request of the Delegation of the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia.

The Saudi Ministry of Environment, Water and Agriculture lifts the temporary ban on the importation of live birds, hatching eggs and one-day old chicks originating from West-Vlaanderen, Belgium

The Saudi Ministry of Environment, Water and Agriculture issued the Decision No. 224 /1291/1438 dated 6 August 2017 (14/11/1438 AH) entitled "Temporary Ban of Importation of Live Bird, Hatching Egg and One-day Old Chick" originating from South Africa, Togo and West-Vlaanderen, Belgium, due to the outbreak of Highly Pathogenic Avian Influenza (HPAI) in South Africa, Togo and West-Vlaanderen, Belgium. The Ministry of Environment, Water and Agriculture has subsequently issued the Decision No. 1439/1291/280 dated 20 March 2018 (03/07/1439 AH), lifting the temporary ban on the importation of live birds, hatching eggs and one-day old chicks originating from West-Vlaanderen, Belgium.

Based on OIE reports in the last three months, HPAI has not been registered in West-Vlaanderen, Belgium. In compliance with the OIE Terrestrial Animal Health Code, Chapter 10.4, the risk of importing live birds, hatching eggs and one-day old chicks from West-Vlaanderen, Belgium is negligible.

This addendum concerns a:

- Modification of final date for comments
- Modification of content and/or scope of previously notified regulation
- Withdrawal of regulation
- Change in period of application of measure
- Other: Lifting the temporary ban on the importation of live birds, hatching eggs and one-day old chicks originating from West-Vlaanderen, Belgium.

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