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Committee on Sanitary and Phytosanitary Measures

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**NOTIFICATION OF EMERGENCY MEASURES**

<b>1. Notifying Member:</b> <u>KINGDOM OF SAUDI ARABIA</u> <b>If applicable, name of local government involved:</b>
<b>2. Agency responsible:</b> National Center for the Prevention and Control of Plants Pest and Animal Diseases
<b>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):</b> Live animals
<b>4. Regions or countries likely to be affected, to the extent relevant or practicable:</b> <input type="checkbox"/> All trading partners <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Specific regions or countries: South Africa
<b>5. Title of the notified document:</b> Notice of the Ministry of Environment Water and Agriculture, Decision No. 79497/35/1444 dated 2 March 2023 entitled "Lifting the Temporary Ban imposed on importation of live animals originated from South Africa". <b>Language(s):</b> . <b>Number of pages:</b>
<b>6. Description of content:</b> After a technical visit to South Africa done by a Saudi specialty team, they recommended open the importation of live animals from South Africa to the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia.
<b>7. Objective and rationale:</b> <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.
<b>8. Nature of the urgent problem(s) and reason for urgent action:</b> After a technical visit done by a Saudi specialty team to South Africa, they recommended open the importation of live animals from South Africa to the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia.
<b>9. Is there a relevant international standard? If so, identify the standard:</b> <input type="checkbox"/> Codex Alimentarius Commission (e.g. title or serial number of Codex standard or related text): <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> World Organization for Animal Health (OIE) (e.g. Terrestrial or Aquatic Animal Health Code, chapter number): Animal Terrestrial health code, Chapter 8.8 <input type="checkbox"/> International Plant Protection Convention (e.g. ISPM number): <input type="checkbox"/> None <b>Does this proposed regulation conform to the relevant international standard?</b> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <b>If no, describe, whenever possible, how and why it deviates from the international standard:</b>

<b>10. Other relevant documents and language(s) in which these are available:</b>
<b>11. Date of entry into force (dd/mm/yy)/period of application (as applicable):</b> 2 March 2023  <input type="checkbox"/> <b>Trade facilitating measure</b>
<b>12. 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:</b>  Saudi Food and Drug Authority - Food Sector Contact person: Mohammed AL Huthiel SFDA - 4904 North Ring branch rd- Hitteen Dist Unit Number (1) - Riyadh 13513 - 7148 Tel: +(966 11) 203 8222, Ext: 3313 E-mail: <a href="mailto:spsep.food@sfd.gov.sa">spsep.food@sfd.gov.sa</a> Website: <a href="http://www.sfd.gov.sa">http://www.sfd.gov.sa</a>
<b>13. 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:</b>  Saudi Food and Drug Authority - Food Sector Contact person: Mohammed AL Huthiel SFDA - 4904 North Ring branch rd- Hitteen Dist Unit Number (1) - Riyadh 13513 - 7148 Tel: +(966 11) 203 8222, Ext: 3313 E-mail: <a href="mailto:spsep.food@sfd.gov.sa">spsep.food@sfd.gov.sa</a> Website: <a href="http://www.sfd.gov.sa">http://www.sfd.gov.sa</a>