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Committee on Sanitary and Phytosanitary Measures

NOTIFICATION OF EMERGENCY MEASURES

1.	Notifying Member: THAILAND		
	If applicable, name of local government involved:		
2.	Agency responsible: Department of Livestock Development (DLD)		
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 poultry and poultry carcasses (HS code(s): 0105, 0207, 0407, 0408, 0505)		
4.	Regions or countries likely to be affected, to the extent relevant or practicable:		
	[]	All trading partners	
	[X]	Specific regions or countries: South Africa	
5.	of live	of the notified document: The DLD order on temporary suspension of importation poultry and poultry carcasses from South Africa to prevent the spread of Highly jenic Avian Influenza (subtype H5N1 and H5N2). Language(s): Thai. Number of : 1	
	<u>https:</u>	<pre>//ratchakitcha.soc.go.th/pdfdownload/?id=140D027S0000000002700</pre>	
6.	Description of content: According to the announcement of the Government Gazette dated 12 October 2022, the suspension for importation of live poultry and poultry carcasses from South Africa since 14 October 2022 has expired on 11 January 2023. However, the WOAH has reported a continued outbreak of Highly Pathogenic Avian Influenza (HPAI) in the area of South Africa. Therefore, it is necessary for Thailand to prevent the entry of Highly Pathogenic Avian Influenza (HPAI) disease into the country. By the virtue of Animal Epidemics Act B.E. 2558(2015), the importation of live poultry and poultry carcasses from South Africa is temporarily suspended for a period of 90 days after the date of publication in the Thai Royal Gazette (6 February 2023).		
7.	Objective and rationale: [] food safety, [X] animal health, [] plant protection, [] protect humans from animal/plant pest or disease, [] protect territory from other damage from pests.		
8.	Nature of the urgent problem(s) and reason for urgent action: This emergency measure is to protect the domestic livestock industry.		
9.	Is the	s there a relevant international standard? If so, identify the standard:	
	[]	Codex Alimentarius Commission (<i>e.g. title or serial number of Codex standard or related text</i>):	
	[X]	World Organization for Animal Health (OIE) (e.g. Terrestrial or Aquatic Animal Health Code, chapter number): Chapter 10.4 of the Terrestrial Animal Health Code	
	[]	International Plant Protection Convention (e.g. ISPM number):	

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[] None

Does this proposed regulation conform to the relevant international standard?

[X] Yes [] No

If no, describe, whenever possible, how and why it deviates from the international standard:

- **10.** Other relevant documents and language(s) in which these are available: The Animal Epidemics Act B.E. 2558 (2015), Article 6 Paragraph 1 and Article 33
- **11. Date of entry into force** (*dd/mm/yy*)/period of application (as applicable): For a period of 90 days after date of publication in the Thai Royal Gazette (7 February 2023 - 7 May 2023).

[] Trade facilitating measure

12. 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:

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