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Committee on Sanitary and Phytosanitary Measures

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**NOTIFICATION OF EMERGENCY MEASURES**

<b>1. Notifying Member:</b> <u>SOUTH AFRICA</u> <b>If applicable, name of local government involved:</b>
<b>2. Agency responsible:</b> Department of Agriculture, Forestry and Fisheries
<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> HS Code(s): 0105, 0207, 0407 Live poultry, pigeons, other birds, eggs (excluding SPF eggs), fresh and frozen poultry meat
<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"/> <b>Specific regions or countries:</b> France, Germany, Hungary, Israel, Netherlands, Poland, Spain, United Kingdom
<b>5. Title of the notified document:</b> Temporary ban on the importation of live poultry, pigeons, other birds, eggs (excluding SPF eggs), fresh and frozen poultry meat from Spain, Israel, the Netherlands, Germany, Poland, Hungary, France and the United Kingdom by South Africa. <b>Language(s):</b> English. <b>Number of pages:</b> 2
<b>6. Description of content:</b> Following notifications published by the World Organization for Animal Health (OIE) regarding outbreak of Highly Pathogenic Avian Influenza virus (HPAI) in poultry in France, Germany, Hungary, Israel, the Netherlands, Poland, Spain and the United Kingdom, South Africa is applying precautionary sanitary measures to prevent the risk of introducing HPAI virus through the imports of live birds and their products from Spain. These measures include temporary bans on the importation of live poultry, pigeons and other birds, eggs (excluding SPF eggs) fresh and frozen poultry meat from France, Germany, Hungary, Israel, the Netherlands, Poland, Spain and the United Kingdom.
<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> There is a risk of contamination from importing poultry and poultry products from France, Germany, Hungary, Israel, the Netherlands, Poland, Spain and the United Kingdom, which are affected with Highly Pathogenic Avian Influenza. This follows the notifications of Highly Pathogenic Avian Influenza in these countries. These applied measures are in compliance with Article 10.4.3, Chapter 10.4 of the World Organization for Animal Health (OIE) Terrestrial Animal Health Code.
<b>9. Is there a relevant international standard? If so, identify the standard:</b> <input type="checkbox"/> <b>Codex Alimentarius Commission (e.g. title or serial number of Codex standard or related text):</b>

<p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <b>World Organization for Animal Health (OIE) (e.g. Terrestrial or Aquatic Animal Health Code, chapter number):</b> Terrestrial code (OIE), Chapter 10.4.3</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> <b>International Plant Protection Convention (e.g. ISPM number):</b></p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> <b>None</b></p> <p><b>Does this proposed regulation conform to the relevant international standard?</b></p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No</p> <p><b>If no, describe, whenever possible, how and why it deviates from the international standard:</b></p>
<p><b>10. Other relevant documents and language(s) in which these are available:</b></p>
<p><b>11. Date of entry into force (dd/mm/yy)/period of application (as applicable):</b> With immediate effect.</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> <b>Trade facilitating measure</b></p>
<p><b>12. Agency or authority designated to handle comments: <input 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></p> <p>Department of Agriculture Forestry and Fisheries Directorate Animal Health Dr Angela Graham Tel: +(27 12) 319 7599 E-mail: AngelaG@daff.gov.za</p>
<p><b>13. Text(s) available from: <input 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></p> <p>Department of Agriculture Forestry and Fisheries Directorate Animal Health Dr Angela Graham Tel: +(27 12) 319 7599 E-mail: AngelaG@daff.gov.za</p>