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The March 2014 up to February 2015 monthly reports have been published on the Department's website and were also e-mailed to the applicant and the third respondent.

All written comments received on the import risk analysis and the draft import policy will, in due course, be published on the Department's website. This would include the written comments received during the Presentation Session held on 5 and 6 February 2015. All of the comments were considered during the process of finalizing the Import Risk Analysis.

To date, the Veterinary Services of Zambia have not provided the additional information requested on the response to the questionnaire nor have they provided the additional information and supporting documentation about the PPR situation in Zambia.

In compliance with the court order dated 27 February 2014, the Draft Import Policy was circulated to applicant and third respondent, and published on the DAFF website for comment together with the final Import Risk Analysis on 6 March 2015. Parties were afforded an opportunity to submit written comments on the Draft Import Policy by 17 April 2015.

All comments received on the Draft Import Policy will be considered and a final policy on the importation of sable antelope from Zambia will be published on the Department's website by no later than 4th May 2015.

Within two weeks after the final import Policy is published, the DAH will make known the decision in respect of the applicant's application for an import permit.