

## THE DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE, FORESTRY AND FISHERIES THE DIRECTORATE OF ANIMAL HEALTH

## **MONTHLY STATUS UPDATE: May 2014**

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The first respondent was directed to deliver to the applicant and the third respondent a monthly status report in respect of all progress made with regards to matters in paragraph 2 of the second court order with the first report to be circulated by 31 March 2014. The March and April monthly reports have been published on the Department's website and was also e-mailed to the applicant and the third respondent.

To comply with point 2.3, of the second court order dated 27 February 2014, which states that "Within 5 months from expiry of the period referred to in 2.2, to complete a Risk Analysis as prescribed by the OIE Code and thereafter, to publish, for comment, a policy on the importation of sable antelope from Zambia", the following has been completed:-

- Permission has been sought to appoint an independent expert to conduct a risk assessment on the importation of sable antelope from Zambia into South Africa. The expert will resume as soon as all procurement procedures have been completed.
- 2. The Directorate is still awaiting information from Zambian Veterinary Authorities in order to complete the Hazard Identification and Entry Assessment steps of the Risk Analysis.