NOTIFICATION OF EMERGENCY MEASURES

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| **1.** | **Notifying Member:** United Arab Emirates**If applicable, name of local government involved:**  |
| **2.** | **Agency responsible:** Ministry of Climate Change and Environment (MOCCAE) |
| **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):** All kinds of live ruminants and its by-products, untreated ruminants meat and its products |
| **4.** | **Regions or countries likely to be affected, to the extent relevant or practicable:****[ ]** **All trading partners** **[****X] Specific regions or countries:** Red Sea State, Sudan |
| **5.** | **Title of the notified document:** United Arab Emirates is imposing a temporary ban on the importation of all kinds of live ruminants (sheep, goats, cows, buffaloes, camels and deer) and their untreated products and by-products from Sudan, in addition to ban the importation of ruminant's meat and its meat products from Red Sea State in Sudan. **Language(s):** Arabic. **Number of pages:** 2 |
| **6.** | **Description of content:** Following the notification published by the World Organization for Animal Health (OIE) on 13 October 2019 concerning documented cases of Rift Valley fever (RVF) in Sudan, United Arab Emirates is applying a precautionary sanitary measure to prevent the risk of introducing Rift Valley fever virus through the imports of all kinds of live ruminants and their untreated products from Sudan. These measures include:1. Temporary ban on the importation of all kinds of live ruminants and their untreated by-products, originating from Sudan;
2. Temporary ban on ruminant's meat and its untreated products from Red Sea State in Sudan, except heat-treated products derived from animals originated from Red Sea State in Sudan or have been slaughtered in a slaughterhouse located in the Red Sea State;
3. Consignments of ruminant's meat shipped from Red Sea State in Sudan before 17 October 2019 were permitted.
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| **7.** | **Objective and rationale: [****X] food safety, [****X] animal health, [ ]****plant protection, [****X] 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:** There is a risk of contamination from importing live ruminants and their products from Sudan, which is affected with Rift Valley fever virus. This follows the notification of Rift Valley fever virus in Red Sea State in Sudan on 13 October 2019. These applied measures are in compliance with Article 8.15.9, Article 8.15.10 and Article 8.15.11, Chapter 8.15 of the World Organization for Animal Health (OIE) Terrestrial Animal Health Code. |
| **9.** | **Is there a relevant international standard? If so, identify the standard:** **[ ]** **Codex Alimentarius Commission *(e.g. title or serial number of Codex standard or related text)*:** **[****X] World Organization for Animal Health (OIE) *(e.g. Terrestrial or Aquatic Animal Health Code, chapter number)*:** Chapter 8.15 of the World Organization for Animal Health (OIE) Terrestrial Animal Health Code**[ ]** **International Plant Protection Convention *(e.g. ISPM number)*:** **[ ]** **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:**   |
| **11.** | **Date of entry into force (*dd/mm/yy*)/period of application (as applicable):** 17 October 2019**[ ]** **Trade facilitating measure**  |
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