NOTIFICATION OF EMERGENCY MEASURES

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| **1.** | **Notifying Member:** Kingdom of Saudi Arabia**If applicable, name of local government involved:**  |
| **2.** | **Agency responsible:** Livestock Risk Assessment Department, Ministry of Environment, Water and Agriculture |
| **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):** Livestock |
| **4.** | **Regions or countries likely to be affected, to the extent relevant or practicable:****[ ]** **All trading partners** **[****X] Specific regions or countries:** Ethiopia |
| **5.** | **Title of the notified document:** Notice of the Ministry of Environment, Water and Agriculture, Decision No. 172737/1291/1442 dated 8 November 2020 (22/03/1442 H) entitled "Temporary Ban on the Importation of Livestock originating from Ethiopia". **Language(s):** Arabic. **Number of pages:** 1<https://members.wto.org/crnattachments/2020/SPS/SAU/20_7078_00_x.pdf> |
| **6.** | **Description of content:** Based on study and evaluation of the health situation recorded cases of Rift Valley Fever (RVF) in Ethiopia, it is deemed necessary for the Kingdom of Saudi Aribia to prevent the entry of RVF disease into the country. Therefore, the importation of livestock from Ethiopia to the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia is temporarily suspended. |
| **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:** Based on study and evaluation of the health situation recorded cases of Rift Valley Fever (RVF) in Ethiopia. This urges the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia to institute this emergency measure to prevent the entry of RVF virus into the country. |
| **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)*:** Terrestrial Animal Health Code CHAPTER 8.15.**[ ]** **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):** 8 November 2020**[ ]** **Trade facilitating measure**  |
| **12.** | **Agency or authority designated to handle comments: [ ]****National Notification Authority, [ ]****National Enquiry Point. Address, fax number and e-mail address (if available) of other body:** Ministry of Environment, Water and AgricultureLivestock Risk Assessment DepartmentEastern Ring Road, Exit 12, Riyadh 11195Kingdom of Saudi ArabiaTel: +(966 11) 404 4292+(966 11) 401 6666E-mail: anml.rsk@mewa.gov.sa Website: http://www.moa.gov.sa/public/portal |
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