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:** National Center for the Prevention and Control of Plants Pest and Animal Diseases |
| **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):** Equine |
| **4.** | **Regions or countries likely to be affected, to the extent relevant or practicable:**  **[****] All trading partners**  **[****X] Specific regions or countries:** France |
| **5.** | **Title of the notified document:** Notice of the Ministry of Environment Water and Agriculture, Decision No. 247841 dated 29 June 2023 entitled "Temporary Ban imposed on importation of equine, embryos, ova and sperm originated from France". **Language(s):** . **Number of pages:** |
| **6.** | **Description of content:** The Ministry of Environment Water and Agriculture is imposing temporary ban on the importation of equine, embryos, ova and sperm originated from France. |
| **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:** The Ministry of Environment Water and Agriculture is imposing temporary ban on the importation of equine, embryos, ova and sperm originated from France based on the official announcement by WOAH report dated 1 June 2023, which noted the outbreak of equine infection anemia in France. |
| **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)*:** Animal Terrestrial health code, Chapter 12.5  **[****] 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):** 29 June 2023  **[****] Trade facilitating measure** |
| **12.** | **Agency or authority designated to handle comments: [****X] National Notification Authority, [****X] National Enquiry Point. Address, fax number and e-mail address (if available) of other body:**  Saudi Food and Drug Authority - Food Sector  Contact person: Mohammed AL Huthiel  SFDA - 4904 North Ring branch rd- Hitteen Dist Unit Number (1) - Riyadh 13513 - 7148  Tel: +(966 11) 203 8222, Ext.: 3313  E-mail: [spsep.food@sfda.gov.sa](mailto:spsep.food@sfda.gov.sa)  Website: <http://www.sfda.gov.sa> |
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