

WORLD TRADE ORGANIZATION

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Committee on Sanitary and Phytosanitary Measures

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NOTIFICATION OF EMERGENCY MEASURES

1.	Member to Agreement notifying: <u>NEW ZEALAND</u> If applicable, name of local government involved:
2.	Agency responsible: Ministry of Agriculture and Forestry (MAF)
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): Llamas and alpacas
4.	Regions or countries likely to be affected, to the extent relevant or practicable: United States of America
5.	Title, language and number of pages of the notified document: Revocation of IHS (one page)
6.	Description of content: The legal instrument used to revoke the import health standard for the importation of llamas and alpacas into New Zealand from the United States of America (dated 4 September 2002).
7.	Objective and rationale: <input type="checkbox"/> food safety, <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> animal health, <input type="checkbox"/> plant protection, <input type="checkbox"/> protect humans from animal/plant pest or disease, <input type="checkbox"/> protect territory from other damage from pests
8.	Nature of the urgent problem(s) and reason for urgent action: This import health standard was revoked following information received by MAF Biosecurity regarding the detection of Bovine Spongiform Encephalopathy (BSE) in a cow in the United States of America. New Zealand is temporarily suspending the import of affected live animals from the United States of America. The suspension will be reviewed once New Zealand has received further information to clarify the BSE status of the United States of America.
9.	International standard, guideline or recommendation: <input type="checkbox"/> Codex Alimentarius Commission, <input type="checkbox"/> World Organization for Animal Health, <input type="checkbox"/> International Plant Protection Convention, <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> None If an international standard, guideline or recommendation exists, give the appropriate reference and briefly identify deviations:
10.	Relevant documents and language(s) in which these are available: None
11.	Date of entry into force/period of application (as applicable): 23 January 2004
12.	Agency or authority designated to handle comments: <input type="checkbox"/> National notification authority, <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> National enquiry point, or address, fax number and E-mail address (if available) of other body:

13. Texts available from: [X] National notification authority, [] National enquiry point, or address, fax number and E-mail address (if available) of other body:

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