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Addendum

The following communication, dated 11 December 2001, has been received from the United States.

Change in Disease Status of Germany, Italy, and Spain Because of BSE

The Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service, USDA is adopting as a final rule, without change, an interim rule (notified as G/SPS/N/USA/438) that added Germany, Italy, and Spain to the list of regions where bovine spongiform encephalopathy (BSE) exists because the disease had been detected in native-born animals in those regions. Germany, Italy, and Spain had already been listed among the regions that present an undue risk of introducing BSE into the United States, so the effect of the interim rule was a continued restriction on the importation of ruminants that have been in Germany, Italy, or Spain and meat, meat products, and certain other products of ruminants that have been in Germany, Italy, or Spain. The interim rule was necessary in order to update the disease status of Germany, Italy, and Spain regarding BSE. The interim rule became effective on 30 April 2001.

The full text of this addendum is available from the address below

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