

# WORLD TRADE ORGANIZATION

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Committee on Sanitary and Phytosanitary Measures

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## NOTIFICATION OF EMERGENCY MEASURES

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| 1.  | <b>Member to Agreement notifying:</b> <u>EUROPEAN COMMUNITIES</u><br><b>If applicable, name of local government involved:</b>  |
| 2.  | <b>Agency responsible:</b> Commission of the European Communities. Health & Consumer Protection Directorate-General Directorate E – Food Safety: Plant Health, Animal Health and Welfare, International questions  |
| 3.  | <b>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):</b> Fresh meat of poultry, ratites, farmed and wild feathered game, poultry meat products and meat preparations consisting or containing meat of the above mentioned species of raw material for pet food production obtained from poultry and of eggs for human consumption. [CN 0105, 0207, 0407, 0408] |
| 4.  | <b>Regions or countries likely to be affected, to the extent relevant or practicable:</b><br>Thailand  |
| 5.  | <b>Title, language and number of pages of the notified document:</b> Commission Decision of 23 January 2004 concerning protection measures relating to avian influenza in Thailand (available in English, 2 pages).  |
| 6.  | <b>Description of content:</b> Temporary measures suspending imports of fresh meat of poultry, ratites, farmed and wild feathered game, poultry meat products and meat preparations consisting or containing meat of the above mentioned species, of raw material for pet food production obtained from poultry and of eggs for human consumption from Thailand to the European Community.<br><br>This decision shall be reviewed at the light of new information.                     |
| 7.  | <b>Objective and rationale:</b> [ X ] food safety, [ X ] animal health, [ ] plant protection, [ ] protect humans from animal/plant pest or disease, [ ] protect territory from other damage from pests   |
| 8.  | <b>Nature of the urgent problem(s) and reason for urgent action:</b> Outbreak of highly pathogenic avian influenza.  |
| 9.  | <b>International standard, guideline or recommendation:</b><br>[ ] Codex Alimentarius Commission, [ X ] World Organization for Animal Health, [ ] International Plant Protection Convention, [ ] None<br><b>If an international standard, guideline or recommendation exists, give the appropriate reference and briefly identify deviations:</b> This measures conforms THAC Chapter 2.1.14   |
| 10. | <b>Relevant documents and language(s) in which these are available:</b>  |

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| <b>11.</b> | <b>Date of entry into force/period of application (as applicable):</b> 23 January 2004  |
| <b>12.</b> | <b>Agency or authority designated to handle comments:</b> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> EC notification authority,<br><input type="checkbox"/> EC enquiry point, or address, fax number and E-mail address (if available) of other<br>body:   |
| <b>13.</b> | <b>Texts available from:</b> <input type="checkbox"/> National notification authority, <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> EC enquiry point, or<br>address, fax number and E-mail address (if available) of other body:<br><br>OJEU No L17 (24/01/2004) pp.: 57-58<br><a href="http://europa.eu.int/eur-lex/pri/en/oj/dat/2004/l_017/l_01720040124en00570058.pdf">http://europa.eu.int/eur-lex/pri/en/oj/dat/2004/l_017/l_01720040124en00570058.pdf</a><br><a href="http://europa.eu.int/eur-lex/pri/fr/oj/dat/2004/l_017/l_01720040124fr00570058.pdf">http://europa.eu.int/eur-lex/pri/fr/oj/dat/2004/l_017/l_01720040124fr00570058.pdf</a><br><a href="http://europa.eu.int/eur-lex/pri/es/oj/dat/2004/l_017/l_01720040124es00570058.pdf">http://europa.eu.int/eur-lex/pri/es/oj/dat/2004/l_017/l_01720040124es00570058.pdf</a> |