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Committee on Sanitary and Phytosanitary Measures

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NOTIFICATION

1.	Member to Agreement notifying: <u>THAILAND</u> If applicable, name of local government involved:
2.	Agency responsible: Food and Drug Administration (FDA), Ministry of Public Health
3.	Products covered (provide tariff item number(s) as specified in national schedules deposited with the WTO; ICS numbers may be provided in addition, where applicable). Regions or countries likely to be affected, to the extent relevant or practicable: Meat and meat products (ICS: 67.120.10)
4.	Title and number of pages of the notified document: Notification of Ministry of Public Health N° 189 B.E.2542(1999) Prohibition of Certain Foods to be Imported or Sold in Thailand (1 page, available in Thai language)
5.	Description of content: The Thai authority decided to make allowances for importation or sale of food products originated from Belgium, the Netherlands and France. In this regard, the Notification of Ministry of Public Health (N° 187) B.E.2542(1999) Amending the Notification of Ministry of Public Health (N° 186) B.E.2542(1999) and the Notification of Ministry of Public Health (N° 188) B.E.2542(1999) Amending the Notification of Ministry of Public Health (N° 185) B.E.2542(1999) are withdrawn. However, importation or sale of meat and their organs and products which contain meat and their organs as constituents which are originated from Belgium is prohibited, unless the products are accompanied by certificates issued by the Belgian authority assuring that they are safe for consumption and are not contaminated with dioxin. In addition, raw materials for their preparation shall not be of animal origin, or products of animals fed with dioxin contaminated feed and raised on farms which are quarantined.
6.	Objective and rationale: [X] food safety, [] animal health, [] plant protection, [] protect humans from animal/plant pest or disease, [] protect territory from other damage from pests
7.	An international standard, guideline or recommendation does not exist [X]. If an international standard, guideline or recommendation exists, give the appropriate reference and briefly identify deviations:
8.	Relevant documents and language(s) in which these are available: 1. The Notification of Ministry of Public Health N° 187, B.E.2542(1999) (Available in English) 2. The Notification of Ministry of Public Health N° 188, B.E.2542(1999) (Available in English)
9.	Proposed date of adoption: 21 September 1999

10.	Proposed date of entry into force: 28 September 1999
11.	Final date for comments: 60 days from the WTO circulation date Agency or authority designated to handle comments: [X] National notification authority, [X] National enquiry point, or address, fax number and E-mail address (if available) of other body:
12.	Texts available from: [X] National notification authority, [X] National enquiry point or address, fax number and E-mail address (if available) of other body: