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Committee on Sanitary and Phytosanitary Measures

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NOTIFICATION OF EMERGENCY MEASURES

1.	Member to Agreement notifying: <u>UNITED ARAB EMIRATES</u> If applicable, name of local government involved:
2.	Agency responsible: Ministry of Agriculture and Fisheries (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): All species of living birds and hatchery eggs
4.	Regions or countries likely to be affected, to the extent relevant or practicable: Republic of South Africa
5.	Title, language and number of pages of the notified document: Administrative resolution Number (64) of the year 2004 With regard to ceasing up of import permits for all species of living birds and hatchery eggs from the Republic of South Africa (available in Arabic, one page).
6.	Description of content: Ceasing – up import permits of all species of living birds and their products from the Republic of South Africa due to the outbreak of avian influenza in this country.
7.	Objective and rationale: <input type="checkbox"/> food safety, <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> animal health, <input type="checkbox"/> plant protection, <input checked="" 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: The OIE issued an Alert Message on 8 August 2004 on an outbreak of avian influenza in Republic of South Africa. There is a need to prevent the entry of HPAI virus to protect the health of the local poultry and human population.
9.	International standard, guideline or recommendation: <input type="checkbox"/> Codex Alimentarius Commission, <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> World Organization for Animal Health (OIE), <input type="checkbox"/> International Plant Protection Convention, <input 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: Administrative resolution Number (64) of the year 2004 with regard to ceasing up of import permits for all species of living birds and hatchery eggs from the Republic of South Africa (available in Arabic).
11.	Date of entry into force/period of application (as applicable): 10 October 2004

- 12. 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:**

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