

# WORLD TRADE ORGANIZATION

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Committee on Sanitary and Phytosanitary Measures

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## NOTIFICATION

1.	<b>Member to Agreement notifying:</b> <u>BRAZIL</u> <b>If applicable, name of local government involved:</b>
2.	<b>Agency responsible:</b> Secretaria de Defesa Agropecuária Ministério da Agricultura, Pecuária e Abastecimento (MAPA) Esplanada dos Ministérios, Bloco D, Anexo B, sala 406 70043-900 – Brasília-DF Tel: +(5561) 218 2314/15 Fax: +(5561) 224 3995/218-2316 E-mail: domc-sda@agricultura.gov.br
3.	<b>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).</b> Animal hides processed in tanneries as raw materials for gelatin. <b>Regions or countries likely to be affected, to the extent relevant or practicable:</b> Mercosur member countries and other countries potentially interested in exporting to Brazil raw materials originating from animal hides for the production of gelatin.
4.	<b>Title and number of pages of the notified document:</b> Ruling (Portaria SDA/DIPOA) Nº 2, dated 6 November 2001, published in the Federal Official Journal (Diária Oficial da União) on 9 November 2001 (14 pages).
5.	<b>Description of content:</b> Establishes a period of 60 days for public consultations about adjustments to be made in records of tanneries to assure traceability of animal hides used as raw materials for the production of gelatin, with a view to avoiding the use of hides of animals originating from areas where foot-and-mouth disease outbreaks may have occurred.
6.	<b>Objective and rationale:</b> [ X ] food safety, [ ] animal health, [ ] plant protection, [ X ] protect humans from animal/plant pest or disease, [ ] protect territory from other damage from pests
7.	<b>An international standard, guideline or recommendation does not exist</b> [ X ]. <b>If an international standard, guideline or recommendation exists, give the appropriate reference and briefly identify deviations:</b>
8.	<b>Relevant documents and language(s) in which these are available:</b> Ruling (Portaria SDA/DIPOA) Nº2, dated 6 November 2001, published in the Federal Official Journal (Diária Oficial da União) on 9 November 2001 (14 pages) (Available in Portuguese only).
9.	<b>Proposed date of adoption:</b> Undefined, pending an evaluation of comments received.

<b>10.</b>	<b>Proposed date of entry into force:</b> Undefined, pending an evaluation of comments received.
<b>11.</b>	<b>Final date for comments:</b> 8 January 2002. <b>Agency or authority designated to handle comments:</b> <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:  Secretaria de Defesa Agropecuária Ministério da Agricultura, Pecuária e Abastecimento (MAPA) Esplanada dos Ministérios, Bloco D, Anexo B, sala 406 70043-900 – Brasília-DF Tel: +(5561) 218 2314/15 Fax: +(5561) 224 3995/218-2316 E-mail: domc-sda@agricultura.gov.br
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