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Committee on Sanitary and Phytosanitary Measures

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NOTIFICATION OF EMERGENCY MEASURES

1.	Member to Agreement notifying: <u>SLOVAK REPUBLIC</u> If applicable, name of local government involved:
2.	Agency responsible: Ministry of Agriculture, State Veterinary Administration
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). Live domestic and wild bi-ungulates, animal semen, embryos and ova of bi-ungulates, meat and meat products of bi-ungulates, milk and milk products from bi-ungulates, hides and skins, bones and other commercial commodities from bi-ungulates, other goods and items which may carry the germs of FMD virus. The following are excluded from the ban: meat cans which were treated by sterilisation effect with a minimum Fc value of 3,00; meat products treated at a minimum temperature of 70°C for a period of 30 minutes; milk and cream which have undergone a pasteurisation process and milk products manufactured from heat-treated milk; products which were heat-treated or disinfected in such a way that the FMD agent is destroyed; casings which were treated in the prescribed way; hides and skins which were treated in the prescribed way; wool treated in the prescribed way Regions or countries likely to be affected, to the extent relevant or practicable: Great Britain, the Netherlands and other countries with FMD occurrence
4.	Title and number of pages of the notified document: Emergency veterinary measures of the State Veterinary Administration of the Slovak Republic No. 2767/01-220 dated 4 May 2001 issued according to Article 54 of Act No. 337/1998 Coll. on veterinary care (4 pages)
5.	Description of content: Protective measures taken in order to avoid the introduction and spreading of foot-and-mouth disease – the disease listed on OIE list A into the territory of the Slovak Republic in connection with the occurrence of foot-and-mouth disease in Great Britain and the Netherlands. This new document is a substitute for previously notified document - Emergency veterinary measures of the State Veterinary Administration of the Slovak Republic No. 2053/01-220 dated 9 April 2001 (notified as G/SPS/N/SVK/17).
6.	Objective and rationale: <input type="checkbox"/> food safety, <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> animal health, <input type="checkbox"/> plant protection, <input type="checkbox"/> protect humans from animal/plant pest or disease, <input type="checkbox"/> protect territory from other damage from pests
7.	Nature of the urgent problem(s): The necessary action to prevent the introduction of foot-and-mouth disease into the Slovak Republic.

8.	An international standard, guideline or recommendation does not exist [<input type="checkbox"/>]. If an international standard, guideline or recommendation exists, give its appropriate reference and briefly identify deviations: OIE International Animal Health Code: Chapter 2.1.1.
9.	Relevant documents and language(s) in which these are available: Emergency veterinary measures of the State Veterinary Administration of the Slovak Republic No. 2767/01-220 dated 4 May 2001 (Available in Slovak language only)
10.	Date of entry into force/period of application (as applicable): 4 May 2001
11.	Texts available from/and agency or authority designated to handle comments: [<input type="checkbox"/>] National notification authority, [X] National enquiry point or address, fax number and E-mail address (if available) of other body: