

Committee on Sanitary and Phytosanitary Measures

NOTIFICATION

1.	<b>Member to Agreement notifying:</b> <u>AUSTRALIA</u> <b>If applicable, name of local government involved:</b>
2.	<b>Agency responsible:</b> Australian Quarantine and Inspection Service
3.	<b>Products covered (tariff item number(s) as specified in national schedules deposited with the WTO. ICS numbers may be provided in addition, where applicable):</b> Ovine and caprine embryos
4.	<b>Title and number of pages of the notified document:</b> Draft revised quarantine requirements for the importation of ovine and caprine embryos from the Republic of South Africa
5.	<b>Description of content:</b> General - Permit to import and Animal Health Certificate requirements Certification <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>- list of diseases requiring country freedom</li><li>- Certification for:<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>. foot-and-mouth disease</li><li>. Rift Valley fever</li><li>. scrapie</li><li>. pulmonary adenomatosis</li></ul></li><li>- premise freedom from a list of diseases</li><li>- 30 day pre-collection isolation</li><li>- pre-collection and post-collection testing of donors</li><li>- special testing requirements for bluetongue, Rift Valley fever and Wesselsbron disease</li><li>- semen donor certification</li><li>- requirements for collection, identification, processing and storage of embryos</li></ul> Importers/agents responsibilities Post Arrival requirements
6.	<b>Objective and rationale:</b> To revise the current conditions for the importation of ovine and caprine embryos from the Republic of South Africa in accordance with the application of SPS measures and current techniques.

7.	<b>An international standard, guideline or recommendation does not exist [ ]. If an international standard, guideline or recommendation exists, whenever possible, identify deviations:</b>
8.	<b>Relevant documents and language(s) in which these are available:</b> English
9.	<b>Proposed date of adoption:</b> 25 January 1998
10.	<b>Proposed date of entry into force:</b> 25 January 1998
11.	<b>Final date for comments:</b> 15 January 1998  <b>Agency or authority designated to handle comments:</b>
12.	<b>Texts available from:</b> National enquiry point [ X ] or address, telefax number and E-mail address (if available) of other body: