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Committee on Sanitary and Phytosanitary Measures

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NOTIFICATION OF EMERGENCY MEASURES

1.	Member to Agreement notifying: <u>COLOMBIA</u> If applicable, name of local government involved:
2.	Agency responsible: Colombian Agricultural Institute (ICA)
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). Bovine animals, sheep, swine and other susceptible species and the risk products thereof.
4.	Regions or countries likely to be affected, to the extent relevant or practicable: Paraguay
5.	Title and number of pages of the notified document: Resolution No. 01679 of 12 July 2002 Extending the Suspension of the Issue of Animal Health Documents for the Import of Bovine Animals, Sheep, Swine and Other Susceptible Species and the Risk Products Thereof from Paraguay (two pages).
6.	Description of content: This Resolution extends for a period of three (3) calendar months as of 19 July 2002 the suspension of the issue of animal health documents for the import of bovine animals, sheep, swine and other susceptible species and the risk products thereof from Paraguay.
7.	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
8.	Nature of the urgent problem(s) and reasons for urgent action: There is a need for verification to be carried out <i>in situ</i> with regard to the epidemiological situation and for an assessment of the sanitary procedures implemented by the veterinary service of the Republic of Paraguay, in relation to the comments of the European Union.
9.	International standard, guideline or recommendation: <input type="checkbox"/> Codex Alimentarius Commission, <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Office International des Epizooties, <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: Resolution No. 0803 of 11 April 2002 (in Spanish).
11.	Date of entry into force/period of application (as applicable): Three (3) months after publication in the Official Journal.
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: Colombian Agricultural Institute (ICA) Agricultural Risks and International Affairs Analysis Group Calle 37 #8-43, Office 409 Bogotá, D.C., Colombia Tel: (571) 285-3485 Fax: (571) 232-4695 E-mail: analisis.riesgos@ica.gov.co Subprev@impsat.net.co Web site: http://www.ica.gov.co
13.	Texts available from: .[X] National notification authority, [X] National enquiry point or address, fax number and E-mail address (if available) of other body: Ministry of Economic Development Directorate of Commerce and Promotion of Competition Carrera 13, No. 28 - 01, 7 th floor Bogotá, D.C., Colombia Tel.: (571) 350-5500, Ext. 713 Fax: (571) 350-9564 E-mail: normalizacion01@mindesa.gov.co COLOMBIA@mindesa.gov.co (Enquiry point)