

Committee on Sanitary and Phytosanitary Measures

NOTIFICATION

1.	<b>Member to Agreement notifying:</b> <u>EUROPEAN COMMUNITY</u> <b>If applicable, name of local government involved:</b>
2.	<b>Agency responsible:</b> European Commission - Directorate General for Agriculture and Rural Development
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> Live animals and animal products
4.	<b>Title and number of pages of the notified document:</b> Draft Commission Decision concerning the importation into the Community of certain live animals and their products originating in certain European countries in relation to FMD, amending decisions 96/367/EC, 96/414/EC, 96/730/EC and repealing decisions 93/242/EC and 95/301/EC Doc. VI/8347/97 Rev.4 Page 4
5.	<b>Description of content:</b> The draft Commission Decision taking into account the epidemiological situations of certain European countries considers possible to introduce new import requirements in order to facilitate trade of live animals and animal products
6.	<b>Objective and rationale:</b> Animal health
7.	<b>An international standard, guideline or recommendation does not exist [ ].</b> <b>If an international standard, guideline or recommendation exists, whenever possible, identify deviations:</b> The above mentioned Commission Decision, in evaluating the specific different epidemiological situation of concerned countries, takes into account relevant OIE guidelines and recommendations
8.	<b>Relevant documents and language(s) in which these are available:</b> VI/8347/97 Rev.4 - English
9.	<b>Proposed date of adoption:</b> April 1998
10.	<b>Proposed date of entry into force:</b> May 1998
11.	<b>Final date for comments:</b> 15 April 1998 <b>Agency or authority designated to handle comments:</b> European Commission
12.	<b>Texts available from:</b> National enquiry point [ X ] or address, telefax number and E-mail address (if available) of other body: