

# WORLD TRADE ORGANIZATION

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## Committee on Sanitary and Phytosanitary Measures

### NOTIFICATION

1.	<b>Member to Agreement notifying:</b> <u>PANAMA</u> <b>If applicable, name of local government involved:</b>
2.	<b>Agency responsible:</b> Ministry of Agricultural 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> All products and by-products of animal origin or for animal use or consumption
4.	<b>Title and number of pages of the notified document:</b> Law 23 of 15 July 1997 Approving the Marrakesh Agreement Establishing the World Trade Organization and the Panamanian Protocol of Accession to the Said Agreement Together with its Annexes and Schedules of Commitments, Adapting Domestic Legislation to the International Regulations, and Setting Forth Other Provisions. Title I (26 pages)
5.	<b>Description of content:</b> Describes the regulations governing and the authority conferred upon the National Animal Health Directorate in the field of animal health with a view to protecting the country's zoosanitary status.
6.	<b>Objective and rationale:</b> Protection of animal health
7.	<b>An international standard, guideline or recommendation does not exist</b> [ <input type="checkbox"/> ]. <b>If an international standard, guideline or recommendation exists, whenever possible, identify deviations:</b> There are no deviations from international standards or guidelines.
8.	<b>Relevant documents and language(s) in which these are available:</b> Available in Spanish from the enquiry points notified by Panama.
9.	<b>Proposed date of adoption:</b> -
10.	<b>Proposed date of entry into force:</b> Has been in force since 15 October 1997.
11.	<b>Final date for comments:</b> Not applicable <b>Agency or authority designated to handle comments:</b> Ministry of Agricultural Development
12.	<b>Texts available from: National enquiry point</b> [ <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> ] <b>or address, telefax number and E-mail address (if available) of other body:</b> Texts available from the enquiry points notified by Panama Directorate: Río Tapia, Tocumen Panamá Tel: (507) 266-1812 Fax: (507) 266-2943 Fax: (507) 220-7981 P.O. Box: 5390 Zona 5 Panamá