

# WORLD TRADE ORGANIZATION

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Committee on Sanitary and Phytosanitary Measures

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## NOTIFICATION OF EMERGENCY MEASURES

1.	<b>Member to Agreement notifying:</b> <u>POLAND</u> <b>If applicable, name of local government involved:</b>
2.	<b>Agency responsible:</b> Ministry of Agriculture and Rural Development and Chief Veterinary Officer
3.	<b>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).</b> Cattle, sheep, goats and swine and any fresh, chilled or frozen meat and other products of ruminants or swine (tariff items: 0102, 0103, 0104, 0201, 0202, 0203, 0204, 0206, 0208, 0210, 0401, 0402, 0403, 0404, 0405, 0406, 0502, 0506, 0507, 0511, 1602, 1901, 1902, 1904, 3001, 3002) <b>Regions or countries likely to be affected, to the extent relevant or practicable:</b> France, United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland, Netherlands
4.	<b>Title and number of pages of the notified document:</b> Draft Regulation of the Minister of Agriculture and Rural Development banning imports and transit of some products originating from countries specified under point 3 (6 pages)
5.	<b>Description of content:</b> We have taken this measure because the existence of foot-and-mouth disease has been confirmed in the countries specified under point 3. The measure has a temporary character and will operate until the time when new available information will allow the Polish authorities to review their policy.
6.	<b>Objective and rationale:</b> <input type="checkbox"/> food safety, <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> animal health, <input type="checkbox"/> plant protection, <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> protect humans from animal/plant pest or disease, <input type="checkbox"/> protect territory from other damage from pests
7.	<b>Nature of the urgent problem(s):</b> This measure is necessary to prevent the introduction of foot-and-mouth disease into Poland.
8.	<b>An international standard, guideline or recommendation does not exist</b> <input type="checkbox"/> . <b>If an international standard, guideline or recommendation exists, give its appropriate reference and briefly identify deviations:</b> OIE International Animal Health Code, on mammals, birds and bees
9.	<b>Relevant documents and language(s) in which these are available:</b> Draft Regulation is based on Article 16, paragraph 1 of the Law of 24 April 1997 on control of animal infectious diseases, inspection of animals and on the Veterinary Inspection (Journal of Laws in 1999 No. 66, item 752) (Available in English)

<b>10.</b>	<b>Date of entry into force/period of application (as applicable):</b> Immediate entry into force (date to be determined)
<b>11.</b>	<b>Texts available from/and agency or authority designated to handle comments:</b> [ ] National notification authority, [ X ] National enquiry point or address, fax number and E-mail address (if available) of other body: