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Committee on Sanitary and Phytosanitary Measures

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NOTIFICATION OF EMERGENCY MEASURES

1.	Member to Agreement notifying: <u>THE HASHEMITE KINGDOM OF JORDAN</u> If applicable, name of local government involved:
2.	Agency responsible: Ministry of Agriculture
3.	Products covered (provide tariff item number(s) as specified in national schedules deposited with the WTO; ICS numbers should be provided in addition, where applicable): Live domestic and wild birds, and their products nominated in article 2.1.1.14 from the 12 th edition of the Terrestrial Animal Health Code 2003.
4.	Regions or countries likely to be affected, to the extent relevant or practicable: Malaysia (Peninsular) and South Africa.
5.	Title, language and number of pages of the notified document: Resolution N°. 5/5/9/2392 dated 19/8/2004 and resolution N°. 5/5/9/2508 dated on 25/8/2004. "Banning the importation of live domestic and wild birds and their products nominated in article 2.1.1.14 from the 12 th edition of the Terrestrial Animal Health Code 2003".
6.	Description of content: Following the reported cases of highly pathogenic avian influenza (H5 strain) in Malaysia (Peninsular) and South Africa. It is deemed necessary for Jordan to force a ban on the importation of live domestic and wild birds and their products nominated in article 2.1.1.14 from the 12 th edition of the Terrestrial Animal Health Code 2003 to prevent the entrance of the disease.
7.	Objective and rationale: <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
8.	Nature of the urgent problem(s) and reason for urgent action: Highly pathogenic avian influenza has never been reported in Jordan. Strict importation regulations have been adopted to prevent the entrance of HPAI to Jordan. Therefore, a ban has been forced on the importation of live domestic and wild birds and their products that could be considered as being hazardous for spreading the virus and the disease.
9.	International standard, guideline or recommendation: <input type="checkbox"/> Codex Alimentarius Commission, <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> World Organization for Animal Health (OIE), <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: Article N°. 2.1.1.14 from 12 th edition of the Terrestrial Animal Health Code 2003, give the HPAI free country the right to prevent the importation of the nominated products.

10. Relevant documents and language(s) in which these are available:	Resolution N°. 5/5/9/2392 dated 19/8/2004 and resolution N°. 5/5/9/2508 dated 25/8/2004. (Available in Arabic)
11. Date of entry into force/period of application (as applicable):	19/8/2004 and 25/8/2004
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:	
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