

# 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>THE NETHERLANDS</u> <b>If applicable, name of local government involved:</b>
2.	<b>Agency responsible:</b> Ministry of Agriculture, Nature Management and Fisheries
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> Bovine animals
4.	<b>Title and number of pages of the notified document:</b> Amendment of the Regulation on Trade in Live Stock and Living Products (1 page)
5.	<b>Description of content:</b> Ban on the import of bovine animals from Switzerland Prohibition of transporting bovine animals from Switzerland and Dutch territory
6.	<b>Objective and rationale:</b> Protection of public health
7.	<b>Nature of the urgent problem(s):</b> Switzerland has the second high risk regarding BSE
8.	<b>An international standard, guideline or recommendation does not exist [    ]. If an international standard, guideline or recommendation exists, whenever possible, identify deviations:</b>  Chapter 3.2.13 of OIE Code. The relevant Chapter of the OIE Code does not currently provide for a complete categorization of countries on the basis of the incidence of BSE and the effectiveness of the applied risk management. Therefore, the currently adopted recommendations do not provide for the level of protection deemed appropriate.
9.	<b>Relevant documents and language(s) in which these are available:</b> Amendment of the Regulation on Trade in Live Stock and Living Products
10.	<b>Date of entry into force/period of application (as applicable):</b> 5 December 1996
11.	<b>Texts available from/and agency or authority designated to handle comments: National enquiry point [ X ] or address, telefax number and E-mail address (if available) of other body:</b>