

WORLD TRADE ORGANIZATION

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Committee on Sanitary and Phytosanitary Measures

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NOTIFICATION OF EMERGENCY MEASURES

1.	Member to Agreement notifying: <u>BULGARIA</u> If applicable, name of local government involved:
2.	Agency responsible: Ministry of Agriculture and Forestry
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 cattle, meat, meat products and by-products thereof, animal feed, animal feed additives and bio-concentrates containing proteins of mammals or poultry, and any types of processed animal proteins, excluding milk, milk products and gelatine derived from hides and skins
4.	Regions or countries likely to be affected, to the extent relevant or practicable: State of Washington (United States)
5.	Title, language and number of pages of the notified document: Order No. RD-09-879 of 29 December 2003 (promulgated in State Gazette No. 114 of 30 December 2003; available in Bulgarian and English, one page)
6.	Description of content: Prohibition on the imports from the state of Washington, United States, of the following products: live cattle and meat, meat products and by-products thereof, animal feeds, animal feed additives and bio-concentrates containing proteins of mammals or poultry, and any types of processed animal proteins, excluding milk, milk products and gelatine derived from hides and skins.
7.	Objective and rationale: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> food safety, <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> animal health, <input type="checkbox"/> plant protection, <input 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: Bovine Spongiform Encephalopathy (BSE)-related measure
9.	International standard, guideline or recommendation: <input type="checkbox"/> Codex Alimentarius Commission, <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> World Organization for Animal Health, <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:
10.	Relevant documents and language(s) in which these are available:
11.	Date of entry into force/period of application (as applicable): 30 December 2003

- 12. Agency or authority designated to handle comments: [] National notification authority, [X] National enquiry point, or address, fax number and E-mail address (if available) of other body:**

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