

# 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>COLOMBIA</u> <b>If applicable, name of local government involved:</b>
2.	<b>Agency responsible:</b> Colombian Agricultural Institute (ICA)
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> Fresh poultry meat, live poultry, eggs for hatching and consumption, meat products of avian origin and other risk products
4.	<b>Regions or countries likely to be affected, to the extent relevant or practicable:</b> United States of America
5.	<b>Title and number of pages of the notified document:</b> Colombian Agricultural Institute (ICA) Resolution No. 0374 of 27 February 2004 Adopting Health-Related Measures to Prevent the Introduction into Colombia of Avian Influenza (2 pages, in Spanish).
6.	<b>Description of content:</b> Suspension of the entry into Colombia of fresh poultry meat, live poultry, eggs for hatching and consumption and meat products of avian origin and cancellation of all animal health documents for the importation of such products.
7.	<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
8.	<b>Nature of the urgent problem(s) and reasons for urgent action:</b> According to information submitted to the World Organization for Animal Health (OIE) by the Associate Administrator of the Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service of the United States Department of Agriculture (USDA-APHIS), outbreaks of avian influenza have been recorded at poultry farms in the States of Delaware, New Jersey, Pennsylvania and Texas (United States of America).
9.	<b>International standard, guideline or recommendation:</b> <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 <b>If an international standard, guideline or recommendation exists, give the appropriate reference and briefly identify deviations:</b>
10.	<b>Relevant documents and language(s) in which these are available:</b> Andean Community Resolution No. 447 of 1997 (available in Spanish).
11.	<b>Date of entry into force/period of application (as applicable):</b> As of date of issue.

- 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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- 13. Texts available from: [ 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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