

# 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>BRUNEI DARUSSALAM</u> <b>If applicable, name of local government involved:</b>
2.	<b>Agency responsible:</b> Department of Agriculture, Ministry of Industry & Primary Resources
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> All types of meat including those chilled and frozen and further processed products such as sausage, meat extract and canned meat from Europe including the United Kingdom. Milk and other dairy product such as pasteurized milk, cheese, butter, ice-cream, yoghurt, powdered milk and baby formulation from the United Kingdom, which were produced on 1 February 2001 onwards <b>Regions or countries likely to be affected, to the extent relevant or practicable:</b> EC member States including the United Kingdom
4.	<b>Title and number of pages of the notified document:</b> Incidence of Bovine Spongiform Encephalopathy and the outbreak Foot-and-Mouth Disease
5.	<b>Description of content:</b> Following the incidence of Bovine Spongiform Encephalopathy in certain livestock and the outbreak of Foot-and-Mouth Disease occurred in the United Kingdom and certain parts of Europe, the Government of Brunei Darussalam has imposed an import ban on all types of meat including those chilled and frozen and further processed products such as sausage, meat extract and canned meat from Europe including United Kingdom since 4 March 2001. Brunei Darussalam also bans the importation of milk and other dairy products such as pasteurized milk, cheese, butter, ice-cream, yoghurt, powdered milk and baby formulation from the United Kingdom, which were produced on 1 February 2001. The Government of Brunei Darussalam has decided to impose this ban in order to maintain the free status of this country from diseases which are not present in this country and therefore to prevent the entry and the establishment of those diseases.
6.	<b>Objective and rationale:</b> <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
7.	<b>Nature of the urgent problem(s):</b> Emergency measures to prevent animals and their products infected by Bovine Spongiform Encephalopathy and Foot-and-Mouth Disease from entry and establishment in this country, hence to maintain the free status of this country from the diseases.
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 Animal Health Code

<b>9.</b>	<b>Relevant documents and language(s) in which these are available:</b> Joint Press Release Agriculture Department & Ministry of Health (English translation available)
<b>10.</b>	<b>Date of entry into force/period of application (as applicable):</b> 4 March 2001 until further notice (until official declaration from the European Communities and the United Kingdom stating that they are free from the disease)
<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:  Director Department of Agriculture Ministry of Industry & Primary Resources Old Airport Bandar Seri Begawan BB3510 Brunei Darussalam Tel: 6732 380144 Fax: 6732 382226  Permanent Secretary Ministry of Industry & Primary Resources Jln Menteri Besar Bandar Seri Begawan BB3910 Brunei Darussalam Tel: 6732 382844/382850 Fax: 6732 382846/382843 E-mail: miprs2@brunei.bn