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INTERNATIONAL ANIMAL HEALTH DIVISION - EXPORT STRATEGY

CUSTOMER INFORMATION NOTE

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To: Customers and organisations

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Dear Sir/Madam

TRADE RESTRICTIONS DUE TO FOOT AND MOUTH DISEASE

Purpose

To inform you that Foot and Mouth Disease (FMD) has been confirmed in Surrey, England and advise how this might impact on exports of susceptible animals or their products (including genetic material) from Great Britain (GB).

UK's Foot and Mouth Status

Foot and Mouth (FMD) has been confirmed in domestic cattle. This means that the United Kingdom (UK) has lost its official "country freedom" status for this disease. This criteria is set by OIE, the International Health Organisation, which is recognised by the world community.

Intra-Community Trade

You cannot export susceptible live animals to EU member states because there is a prohibition on the movement of susceptible live animals within GB. Meat and other animal products (including genetic material, dairy products, petfoods, hides/skins etc) from susceptible species should not be exported to EU member states. The exact details will be included in new a EU Decision expected on Monday.

Third Country Exports

You cannot export any susceptible animals or their products (including genetic material, dairy products, petfoods, hides/skins etc) to third countries because we have suspended all relevant export health certificates.

Animal Health are recalling export health certificates issued for consignments which have not yet been exported.

Information

Defra will issue daily situation reports providing as up-to-date information as we have on import bans or restrictions. We cannot guarantee that the information is comprehensive but it will include what information has come to our attention.

http://www.defra.gov.uk/animalh/int-trde/misc/cins/cin_index.htm

CIN Circulation List

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Further Enquiries

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