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Committee on Sanitary and Phytosanitary Measures

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NOTIFICATION OF EMERGENCY MEASURES

1. Notifying Member: <u>UNITED ARAB EMIRATES</u> If applicable, name of local government involved:
2. Agency responsible: Ministry of Climate Change and Environment (MOCCAE)
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 poultry (HS Code: 0105), day-old chicks (HS Code: 0105.11), hatching eggs, and poultry products including poultry meat (HS Code: 0207) except heat-treated products
4. Regions or countries likely to be affected, to the extent relevant or practicable: <input type="checkbox"/> All trading partners <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Specific regions or countries: Kaunas in Lithuania
5. Title of the notified document: United Arab Emirates is imposing a temporary ban on the importation of domestic and wild birds and their untreated by-products from Kaunas in Lithuania. Language(s): . Number of pages:
6. Description of content: Following the notification published by the World Organization for Animal Health (OIE) regarding the outbreak of Highly Pathogenic Avian Influenza virus (HPAI) in Kaunas in Lithuania, the United Arab Emirates is applying a precautionary sanitary measure to prevent the risk of introducing HPAI virus through the imports of live birds and their products from Kaunas in Lithuania. These measures include: <ol style="list-style-type: none">1. Temporary ban on the importation of domestic and wild birds and their untreated by-products and day-old chicks and hatching eggs from Lithuania to the United Arab Emirates, according to the requirements included in the veterinary health certificate for export of "live birds", the veterinary health certificate for export of "day old chicks" and the veterinary health certificate for export of "hatching eggs" approved between the two countries;2. Regulating the import of poultry meat and table eggs and their non-heat treated products according to the health certificate for export of "meat and meat products" and the health certificate for export of "table eggs and egg products" from Lithuania to the United Arab Emirates;3. Continue to allow the importation of heat-treated poultry products (treated meat and treated egg products) from all regions in Lithuania;4. Consignments of table eggs and poultry meat from Kaunas that were produced after 10 November 2020 are not allowed to be exported to the United Arab Emirates until the health certificate forms are agreed with the Lithuanian side.
7. Objective and rationale: <input checked="" 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.	Nature of the urgent problem(s) and reason for urgent action: There is a risk of contamination from importing poultry from Kaunas in Lithuania, which is affected with Highly Pathogenic Avian Influenza. These applied measures are in compliance with Article 10.4.4, Chapter 10.4 of the World Organization for Animal Health (OIE) Terrestrial Animal Health Code.
9.	<p>Is there a relevant international standard? If so, identify the standard:</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Codex Alimentarius Commission (e.g. title or serial number of Codex standard or related text):</p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> World Organization for Animal Health (OIE) (e.g. Terrestrial or Aquatic Animal Health Code, chapter number): Chapter 10.4 of the World Organization for Animal Health (OIE) Terrestrial Animal Health Code</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> International Plant Protection Convention (e.g. ISPM number):</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> None</p> <p>Does this proposed regulation conform to the relevant international standard?</p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No</p> <p>If no, describe, whenever possible, how and why it deviates from the international standard:</p>
10.	Other relevant documents and language(s) in which these are available:
11.	<p>Date of entry into force (dd/mm/yy)/period of application (as applicable): 13 January 2021</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Trade facilitating measure</p>
12.	<p>Agency or authority designated to handle comments: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> National Notification Authority, <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> National Enquiry Point. Address, fax number and e-mail address (if available) of other body:</p> <p>Ministry of Climate Change and Environment SPS Notification and Enquiry Point United Arab Emirates Tel: +(971 4) 214 8472 +(971 4) 214 8495 E-mail: uaesps@moccae.gov.ae mmalherbawi@moccae.gov.ae aaalmannaiei@moccae.gov.ae Website: http://www.moccae.gov.ae</p>
13.	<p>Text(s) available from: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> National Notification Authority, <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> National Enquiry Point. Address, fax number and e-mail address (if available) of other body:</p> <p>Ministry of Climate Change and Environment SPS Notification and Enquiry Point United Arab Emirates Tel: +(971 4) 214 8472 +(971 4) 214 8495 E-mail: uaesps@moccae.gov.ae mmalherbawi@moccae.gov.ae aaalmannaiei@moccae.gov.ae Website: http://www.moccae.gov.ae</p>