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Proposal for a

COUNCIL DECISION

on the conclusion of the Agreement between the Government of Canada and the European Community on sanitary measures to protect public and animal health in respect of trade in live animals and animal products

(presented by the Commission)

EXPLANATORY MEMORANDUM

The WTO Agreement on the Application of Sanitary and Phytosanitary Measures (the SPS Agreement) provides, in Article 4, that Members shall accept the sanitary measures of other Members as equivalent, even if those measures differ from their own, if the exporting Member objectively demonstrates to the importing Member that its measures achieve the importing Member's appropriate level of sanitary protection. This Article also requires Members, upon request, to enter into consultations with the aim of achieving bilateral and multilateral agreements on recognition of the equivalence of sanitary measures.

On 20 February 1995, the Council agreed a mandate authorizing the Commission to conduct negotiations with a view to the conclusion of agreements between the Community and third countries on sanitary and phytosanitary measures, on the basis of negotiating directives annexed to its decision.

Following this mandate, the Commission has, with the participation of experts from the Member States, conducted negotiations with a number of third countries. Agreements have been concluded with New Zealand, the Czech Republic and the USA, and negotiations are continuing with Australia, Uruguay, Chile and Argentina.

This proposal presents the results of negotiations with Canada, which are now ready to be proposed to the Council.

The legal base for the agreement is Article 113 and 228.2 first sentence in the Treaty as in the case of the most recent agreement with the Czech Republic.

Scope and purpose of the draft Agreement

The draft Agreement covers sanitary measures affecting trade in the animals and animal products listed in Annex I of the text. However, due to differences in approach to certain measures, the draft Agreement excludes the matters referred to Article 3(2), including measures related to drug residues (e.g. hormones). These remain subject to the legislation of each party in respect of trade.

The purpose of the draft Agreement is to facilitate trade between the parties in live animals and animal products by establishing a mechanism for the recognition of equivalence of sanitary measures where this is possible, and establishing a framework for working towards equivalence in other areas.

For each party, equivalence can only be accepted in cases where the party is satisfied that the agreed conditions of trade meet its chosen level of sanitary protection. In all cases, it is the right of the importing party to determine if the measures of the exporting party meet its level of protection. The rights of parties under the WTO Agreements are not affected by the provisions of the draft Agreement, but the intention of the draft Agreement is to work towards mutually acceptable solutions instead of allowing damaging trade disputes to develop.

Provisions are included for the exchange of information on matters relating to the draft Agreement, including specific provisions for the notification to each other of outbreaks of disease. A safeguard clause is also included, allowing parties to take unilateral emergency measures to protect human or animal health.

Subsidiarity

The proposal takes account of the principle of subsidiarity by explicit reference in the agreement to those responsibilities which fall to the Member States and those which are Community responsibilities (see Annex II.B).

In effect, the Community has exclusive competence for sanitary measures relating to the placing on the Community market of live animals and animal products, whether produced domestically or imported, while the Member States are responsible for ensuring compliance of exports with Canadian requirements.

Joint Management Committee

The draft Agreement establishes a Joint Management Committee with responsibilities for guiding the activities provided for in the text and for carrying out a regular review, at least once per year, of progress made in the recognition of equivalence.

As the draft Agreement represents a starting point, and contains a comprehensive work programme in Annex V, this Committee will play an important role in coordinating progress with the implementation of the programme.

In addition, the Joint Committee may recommend changes to the Annexes as and when these become necessary as a result of progress in the continuing negotiations.

Implementation of changes

Each party would then have to implement the agreed changes in accordance with its legislative procedures (Article 16.2 of the Framework text). In the case of the Community, it is proposed to do this by Commission Decision, following an opinion of the Standing Veterinary Committee (3b "contrefilet" procedure).

It should be stressed that nothing in this draft Agreement changes basic Community legislation; any such change which could be necessary in the future would have to be made by the Council and Parliament on the basis of Article 100A, if there are implications for public health, or any other appropriate legal base.

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THE COUNCIL OF THE EUROPEAN UNION,

Having regard to the Treaty establishing the European Community, and in particular Article 113 and article 228, paragraph 2, first sentence, thereof,

Having regard to the proposal from the Commission,

Whereas the Agreement between the Government of Canada and the European Community on sanitary measures to protect public and animal health in respect of trade in live animals and animal products provides an adequate means for putting into practice the provisions of the WTO Agreement on the Application of Sanitary and Phytosanitary Measures as regards public and animal health measures;

Whereas the Agreement will contribute towards facilitating bilateral trade between Canada and the European Community in live animals and animal products through the progressive recognition of the equivalence of sanitary measures, the recognition of animal health status, the application of regionalisation and the improvement of communication and cooperation;

Whereas it is appropriate to make provisions for a procedure establishing close and effective cooperation between the Commission and the Member States within the Standing Veterinary Committee;

Whereas the Agreement should be approved on behalf of the Community,

HAS DECIDED AS FOLLOWS:

Article 1

The Agreement between the Government of Canada and the European Community on sanitary measures to protect public and animal health in respect of trade in live animals and animal products is hereby approved on behalf of the Community.

The text of the Agreement and the Annexes thereto are attached to this Decision.

Article 2

The President of the Council is hereby authorised to designate the person empowered to sign the Agreement in order to bind the Community.

Article 3

The measures necessary for the implementation of this Agreement, including as regards fresh meat and meat based products guarantees equivalent to those laid down by Directive 72/462/EEC ⁽¹⁾, shall be established pursuant to the procedure laid down in Article 30 of that Directive.

Article 4

The Commission, assisted by Member States' representatives responsible for veterinary matters, shall represent the Community in the Joint Committee referred to in Article 16 (1) of the Agreement.

The Community position with regards to the matters to be dealt with by the Joint Committee shall be established within the appropriate Council bodies, in accordance with the provisions of the Treaty.

Amendments to the Annexes to the Agreement which are the result of recommendations by the Joint Committee shall be adopted according to the procedure provided for in Article 29 of Directive 72/462/EEC.

Article 5

This Decision shall be published in the Official Journal of the European Communities.

It shall take effect on the date of its publication.

Done at Brussels,

For the Council

The President

⁽¹⁾ O.J. N° L 302, 31.12.1972, p. 28. Directive as last amended by Directive N° 97/79/EC (O.J. N° L 24, 30.01.1998, p. 31).

DRAFT AGREEMENT

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between THE GOVERNMENT OF CANADA and the EUROPEAN COMMUNITY
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Preamble

THE GOVERNMENT OF CANADA ("Canada") and the EUROPEAN COMMUNITY (the "Community") (hereinafter referred to collectively as the "Parties"):

ACKNOWLEDGING that their systems of sanitary measures are intended to provide comparable health assurances;

REAFFIRMING their commitment to their rights and obligations under the Marrakesh Agreement Establishing the World Trade Organisation (the "WTO Agreement"), and its Annexes, in particular the Agreement on the Application of Sanitary and Phytosanitary Measures (the "SPS Agreement");

DESIRING to facilitate trade in live animals and animal products between Canada and the Community while safeguarding animal and public health in relation to the wholesomeness of food products;

RESOLVING to take the fullest account of the risk of spread of animal infection and disease and the measures put in place to control and eradicate such infections and diseases, and in particular to avoid disruptions to trade,

HAVE AGREED as follows:

Article 1

Objective

The objective of this Agreement is to facilitate trade in live animals and animal products between Canada and the Community by establishing a mechanism for the recognition of equivalence of sanitary measures maintained by the two Parties consistent with the protection of public and animal health, and to improve communication and cooperation on sanitary measures.

Article 2

Definitions

For the purposes of this Agreement:

- (a) live animals and animal products means the live animals and animal products, including fish and fishery products, listed in Annex I;
- (b) sanitary measures means sanitary measures as defined in paragraph 1 of Annex A to the SPS Agreement;
- (c) appropriate level of sanitary protection means the appropriate level of sanitary protection as defined in paragraph 5 of Annex A of the SPS Agreement;
- (d) region means both "zone" and "region" as defined in the Animal Health Code of the *Office International des Epizooties (OIE)* and for aquaculture as defined in the *International Aquatic Animal Health Code of the OIE*;
- (e) responsible authorities means:
 - (i) for Canada, the authorities described in Part A of Annex II; and
 - (ii) for the Community, the authorities described in Part B of Annex II.

Article 3

Scope

1. This Agreement applies in respect of trade between Canada and the Community in live animals and animal products.
2. Subject to paragraph 3, the provisions of this Agreement shall apply initially to sanitary measures of the Parties that apply to trade in live animals and animal products.
3. Unless otherwise specified under the provisions set out in the Annexes to this Agreement, and without prejudice to Article 11, the scope of this Agreement shall exclude sanitary measures related to food additives (all food additives and colours), sanitary stamps, processing aids, flavours, irradiation (ionisation), contaminants (including microbiological standards), transport, chemicals originating from the migration of substances from packaging materials, labelling of foodstuffs, nutritional labelling, animal feedingstuffs, medicated feeds and premixes.
4. The Parties may agree to apply the principles of this Agreement to address veterinary issues other than sanitary measures applicable to trade in live animals and animal products.
5. The Parties may agree to modify this Agreement in the future to extend the scope to other sanitary or phytosanitary measures affecting trade between the Parties.

Article 4

Relation to the WTO Agreement

Nothing in this Agreement shall modify the rights or obligations of the Parties under the WTO Agreement and in particular the SPS Agreement.

Article 5

Recognition of Regional Conditions

1. The Parties recognise the concept of regionalisation, which they agree to apply in respect of the diseases listed in Annex III.
2. Where one of the Parties considers that it has a special status with respect to a specific disease, it may request recognition of that status. The importing Party may also request additional guarantees in respect of imports of live animals and animal products appropriate to the agreed status. The guarantees for specific diseases shall be specified in Annex V.
3. Without prejudice to paragraph 2, the importing Party shall recognise regionalisation decisions taken in accordance with criteria as defined in Annex IV as the basis for trade from a Party whose territory is affected by one or more of the diseases listed in Annex III.

Article 6

Recognition of Equivalence

1. The importing Party shall recognise a sanitary measure of the exporting Party as equivalent if the exporting Party objectively demonstrates that its measure achieves the importing Party's appropriate level of protection.
2. Once determined, equivalence shall be applied in relation to individual or groups of sanitary measures for live animals or animal product sectors, or parts of sectors, in relation to legislation, inspection and control systems, parts of systems, or in relation to specific legislation, inspection and/or hygiene requirements.

Article 7

Criteria for Recognition of Equivalence

1. In determining whether a sanitary measure(s) maintained by an exporting Party achieves the importing Party's appropriate level of sanitary protection, the Parties shall follow the process set out below:
 - i) identification of the sanitary measures for which recognition of equivalence is sought;
 - ii) explanation by the importing Party of the objective of its sanitary measures, including an assessment, as appropriate to the circumstances, of any risks that the sanitary measures are intended to address, and identification by the importing Party of its appropriate level of sanitary protection;
 - iii) provision of information by the exporting Party supporting its view that its sanitary measures achieve the importing Party's appropriate level of sanitary protection;
 - iv) assessment by the importing Party of whether the exporting Party's sanitary measure(s) achieves the importing Party's appropriate level of sanitary protection; this step may include an evaluation of:
 - a) the risks identified by the importing Party and evidence provided by the exporting Party that its sanitary measures effectively address those risks;
 - b) the legislative authority, standards, practices and procedures including those of laboratories, as well as the programmes in place to ensure that the domestic requirements of the exporting Party and the importing Party's requirements are met;
 - c) the documented structure of the relevant responsible authorities, their command chain, their authority, their operational procedures and the resources available to them; and
 - d) the performance of the relevant responsible authorities in relation to the control programme and assurances.

The importing Party may carry out audit and verification procedures, in accordance with Article 10, to assist this assessment.

2. Where equivalence has not been recognised, the conditions for trade shall be those required by the importing Party, as set out in Annex V, to meet its appropriate level of protection. The exporting Party may agree to meet the importing Party's conditions, without prejudice to the result of the process set out in paragraph 1.
3. In carrying out the process described in paragraph 1, and setting the conditions referred to in paragraph 2, the Parties shall take account of experience and information already acquired.

Article 8

Status of the Recognition of Equivalence of the Parties' Sanitary Measures

1. Annex V lists those sectors, or parts of sectors, for which at the date of entry into force of this Agreement the Parties' respective sanitary measures are recognised as equivalent for trade purposes.
2. Annex V also lists those sectors, or parts of sectors, for which, at the date of entry into force of this Agreement, the Parties apply different sanitary measures and have not concluded the process described in paragraph 1 of Article 7. The Parties shall carry out the actions set out in Annex V based on the process described in paragraph 1 of Article 7, with the objective of recognising equivalence by the dates indicated in Annex V.
3. With respect to sanitary measures recognised as equivalent for trade purposes at the date of entry into force of this Agreement, the Parties, within their competences, shall initiate the necessary legislative and administrative actions within 3 months to implement these recognitions.

Article 9

Health Certificate

When required, each consignment of live animals or animal products presented for import, and for which equivalence has been recognised, will be accompanied by an official health certificate, the model attestation of which is prescribed in Annex VII. The Parties may jointly determine principles or guidelines for certification. Any such principles or guidelines shall be set out in Annex VII.

Article 10

Audit and Verification

1. To maintain confidence in the effective implementation of the provisions of this Agreement, each Party has the right to carry out audit and verification procedures of all or part of the exporting Party's authorities' total control programme as specified in Annex VI.
2. Each Party has the right to carry out frontier checks on consignments on importation, in accordance with Article 11, the results of which may contribute to the audit and verification process.
3. The Community shall carry out the audit and verification procedures provided for in paragraph 1 and the frontier checks provided for in paragraph 2.
4. For Canada, its responsible authorities carry out the audit and verification procedures and frontier checks provided for in paragraphs 1 and 2.

5. Upon the mutual consent of the Parties, either Party may:
 - (a) share the results and conclusions of its audit procedures and frontier checks with countries that are not Parties to this Agreement, or
 - (b) use the results and conclusions of the audit procedures and frontier checks of countries that are not Parties to this Agreement.

Article 11

Frontier (Import) Checks and Inspection Fees

1. The frequency and nature of frontier checks shall be based on the risk to public and animal health associated with the importation of a live animal or animal product.
2. The frequency rate of frontier checks on imported live animals and animal products shall be as set out in Annex VIII.
3. In the event that frontier checks reveal non-conformity with the relevant import requirements the action taken by the importing Party should be based on an assessment of the risk involved.
4. Wherever possible, the importer of a non-conforming consignment, or his representative, shall be notified of the reason for non-conformity, and shall be given access to the consignment and the opportunity to contribute relevant information to assist the importing Party in taking a final decision.
5. A Party may collect fees for the costs incurred in conducting frontier checks. Provisions concerning these fees may be added to Annex VIII.

Article 12

Notification and Consultation

1. The Parties shall notify each other, in writing, of:
 - (a) significant changes in health status, such as the presence and evolution of diseases in Annex III, within 24 hours of confirmation of the change;
 - (b) findings of epidemiological importance with respect to diseases which are not in Annex III or which are new diseases, without delay; and
 - (c) any additional measures beyond the basic requirements of their respective sanitary measures taken to control or eradicate animal disease or protect public health, and any changes in preventative policies, including vaccination policies.

2. In cases of serious and immediate concern with respect to public or animal health, oral notification shall be made immediately, and written confirmation should follow within 24 hours.
3. Written and oral notifications shall be made to the contact points set out in Annex X.
4. Where a Party has serious concerns regarding a risk to public or animal health, consultations regarding the situation shall, on request, take place as soon as possible, and in any case within 14 days of the request. Each Party shall endeavour in such situations to provide all the information necessary to avoid a disruption in trade, and to reach a mutually acceptable solution.

Article 13

Safeguard Clause

A Party may, on serious public or animal health grounds, take provisional measures necessary for the protection of public or animal health. These measures shall be notified to the other Party within 24 hours of the decision to implement them and, on request, consultations regarding the situation shall be held within 14 days of the notification. The Parties shall take due account of any information provided through such consultations.

Article 14

Information Exchange

1. The Parties shall exchange information relevant to the implementation of this Agreement on a uniform and systematic basis, to provide assurance, engender mutual confidence and demonstrate the efficacy of the programmes controlled. Where appropriate, this may include exchanges of officials.
2. The information exchange on changes in their respective sanitary measures, and other relevant information, shall include:
 - (a) the opportunity to consider proposals for the introduction of new measures or changes in existing measures, which may affect this Agreement, in advance of their finalisation. Where either Party considers it necessary, proposals may be dealt with in accordance with Article 16(4);
 - (b) briefing on current developments affecting trade in live animals and animal products;
 - (c) information on the results of the audit and verification procedures provided for in Article 10.
3. The contact points for this exchange of information are set out in Annex X.

4. The Parties shall provide for the submission of scientific papers or data to the relevant scientific fora to substantiate any views or claims made in respect of a matter arising under this Agreement. Such information shall be evaluated by the relevant scientific fora in a timely manner, and the results of that examination shall be made available to both Parties.

Article 15

Outstanding Issues

1. The principles of this Agreement shall be applied to address outstanding issues affecting trade between the Parties in live animals and animal products as listed in Annex IX. Modifications shall be made to this Annex and, as appropriate, the other Annexes, to take account of progress made and new issues identified.

Article 16

Joint Management Committee

1. A Joint Management Committee (hereinafter referred to as "the Committee") consisting of representatives of the Parties is hereby established. The Committee shall consider any matters relating to the Agreement, and shall examine all matters which may arise in relation to its implementation. The Committee shall meet within one year of the entry into force of this Agreement, and at least annually thereafter. The Committee may also address issues out of session by correspondence.
2. The Committee shall, at least once a year, review the Annexes to this Agreement, notably in the light of progress made under the consultations provided for under this Agreement. Following its review, the Committee shall issue a report of its proceedings including any recommendations of the Committee.
3. In the light of the provisions set out in paragraph 2, the Parties may agree to modify the Annexes consistent with the Agreement. Modifications shall be agreed by an exchange of notes.
4. The Parties agree to establish Technical Working Groups consisting of expert-level representatives of the Parties, which shall identify and address technical and scientific issues arising from this Agreement.

When additional expertise is required, *ad hoc* groups, notably scientific groups, may be constituted by the Parties. Membership of such *ad hoc* groups need not be restricted to representatives of the Parties.

Article 17

Territorial Application

This Agreement shall apply, on the one hand, to the territories in which the Treaty establishing the European Community is applied and under the conditions laid down in that Treaty and, on the other hand, to the territory of Canada.

Article 18

Final Provisions

1. This Agreement and its Annexes shall enter into force upon an exchange of notes indicating that the Parties have completed all legal requirements necessary for that purpose.
2. Each Party shall implement the commitments and obligations arising from this Agreement and its Annexes in accordance with its internal procedures.
3. Either Party may terminate this Agreement by giving at least 6 months' notice in writing. The Agreement shall terminate on the expiry of the period of notice.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the undersigned being duly authorised, have signed this Agreement.

Done in two copies, this [] day of [], 1998, in each of the English and French languages, each version being equally authentic.

For the Government of Canada

*For the European
Community*

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ANNEX I

LIVE ANIMALS AND ANIMAL PRODUCTS

Live animals and animal products: -	For Imports into Canada, as defined by:	For Imports into the Community, as defined by:
1. Live Cattle and Pigs	Health of Animals Regulations (CRC, c.296)	Council Directive 64/432/EEC of 26 June 1964
2. Bovine Semen	Health of Animals Regulations (CRC, c.296)	Council Directive 88/407/EEC of 14 June 1988
3. Bovine Embryos	Health of Animals Regulations (CRC, c.296)	Council Directive 89/556/EEC of 25 September 1989
4. Live Horses	Health of Animals Regulations (CRC, c.296)	Council Directive 90/426/EEC of 26 June 1990
5. Pig Semen	Health of Animals Regulations (CRC, c.296)	Council Directive 90/429/EEC of 26 June 1990
6. Poultry and Hatching Eggs	Health of Animals Regulations (CRC, c.296)	Council Directive 90/539/EEC of 15 October 1990
7. Live Aquaculture Animals and Aquaculture Products	Fish Health Protection Regulations made under the Fisheries Act, R.S.C., 1985, c. F-14 Fish Inspection Regulations made under the Fish Inspection Act, R.S.C., 1985, c. F-12	Council Directive 91/67/EEC of 28 January 1991
8. Live Sheep and Goats	Health of Animals Regulations (CRC, c.296)	Council Directive 91/68/EEC of 28 January 1991
9. Other Live Animals, Semen, Ova and Embryos From the Animal Species not referred to in points 1 - 8	Health of Animals Regulations (CRC, c.296)	Council Directive 92/65/EEC of 13 July 1992
10. Fresh Meat	Meat Inspection Regulations - definitions (food animal, meat, meat by-product, mechanically separated meat) & Schedule I (fresh)	Council Directive 64/433/EEC of 26 June 1964

Live animals and animal products:	For Imports into Canada, as defined by:	For Imports into the Community, as defined by:
11. Fresh Poultry Meat	Meat Inspection Regulations - definitions (as above, bird)	Council Directive 71/118/EEC of 15 February 1971
12. Meat Products	Meat Inspection Regulations - definitions (prepared, preserved, processed)	Council Directive 77/99/EEC of 21 December 1976
13. Minced Meat and Meat Preparations	No specific definition, (would be processed, fresh meat & poultry meat) Standard in Schedule I	Council Directive 94/65/EEC of 14 December 1994
14. Egg Products Shell Eggs	Processed Egg & Egg Regulations - definitions (a number of definitions apply for specific egg products & processed eggs)	Council Directive 89/437/EEC of 20 June 1989
15. Live Bivalve Molluscs	Fish Inspection Regulations made under the Fish Inspection Act, R.S.C 1985, C. F-12 Fish Health Protection Regulations and the Management of Contaminated Fisheries Regulations made under the Fisheries Act, R.S.C., 1985, c. F-14	Council Directive 91/492/EEC of 15 July 1991
16. Fishery Products	Fish Inspection Regulations made under the Fish Inspection Act, R.S.C., 1985, c. F-12	Council Directive 91/493/EEC of 22 July 1991
17. Farmed Game Meat	Meat Inspection Regulations - definitions (Farmed game animal and thereafter as for fresh meat & fresh poultry meat)	Council Directive 91/495/EEC of 27 November 1991
18. Wild Game Meat	Meat Inspection Regulations - Only species recognized are muskox, caribou & reindeer)	Council Directive 92/45/EEC of the 16 June 1992
-19. Milk and Milk Products	-Dairy Product Regulations (CAP) -Food and Drug Regulations -Consumer Packaging and Labelling Regulations	Council Directive 92/46/EEC of 16 June 1992.

Live animals and animal products:	For Imports into Canada, as defined by:	For Imports into the Community, as defined by:
20. Animal Waste		Council Directive 90/667/EEC of 27 November 1990
21. Animal Products not referred to in points 10 - 20.	Health of Animals Regulations (CRC, c.296) Meat Inspection Regulations - definitions (as appropriate)	Council Directive 92/118/EEC of 17 December 1992

ANNEX II

RESPONSIBLE AUTHORITIES

A. Responsible Authorities of Canada

The following Departments are responsible for the application of sanitary measures in respect of domestically produced, exported and imported animals and animal products and for issuing health certificates attesting to agreed standards unless otherwise noted: The Canadian Food Inspection Agency (CFIA), or the Department of Health, as appropriate.

B. Responsible Authorities of the Community

Control is shared between the national services in the individual Member States and the European Commission. In this respect the following applies:

- In terms of exports to Canada, the Member States are responsible for control of the production circumstances and requirements, including statutory inspections and issuing health certification attesting to the agreed standards and requirements.
- The European Commission is responsible for overall co-ordination, inspection/audits of inspection systems and the necessary legislative action to ensure uniform application of standards and requirements within the Single European Market.

ANNEX III

DISEASES FOR WHICH REGIONALISATION DECISIONS CAN BE TAKEN

LEGAL BASIS

Disease	EC	Canada
Foot and mouth disease	85/511, 64/432	Health of Animals Act Sections 5, 22 through 27, and 64. Health of Animals Regulations sections 90 and 91, and schedule 2 of the Reportable Disease Regulations.
Vesicular stomatitis	92/119	H of A Act 5, 22-27, 64: H of A Regs 90, 91 and Schedule 2.
Swine vesicular disease	92/119, 64/432	H of A Act 5, 22-27, 64: H of A Regs 90, 91 and Schedule 2.
Rinderpest	92/119, 64/432	H of A Act 5, 22-27, 64: H of A Regs 90, 91 and Schedule 2.
Peste des petits ruminants	92/119	H of A Act 5, 22-27, 64: H of A Regs 90, 91 and Schedule 2.
Contagious bovine pleuropneumonia	64/432	H of A Act 5, 22-27, 64: H of A Regs 90, 91 and Schedule 2.
Lumpy skin disease	92/119	H of A Act 5, 22-27, 64: H of A Regs 90, 91 and Schedule 2.
Rift Valley fever	92/119	H of A Act 5, 22-27, 64: H of A Regs 90, 91 and Schedule 2.
Bluetongue	92/119	H of A Act 5, 22-27, 64: H of A Regs 90, 91 and Schedule 2.
Sheep pox and goat pox	92/119	H of A Act 5, 22-27, 64: H of A Regs 90, 91 and Schedule 2.
African Horse Sickness	90/426, 92/35	H of A Act 5, 22-27, 64: H of A Regs 90, 91 and Schedule 2.
African Swine Fever	64/432	H of A Act 5, 22-27, 64: H of A Regs 90, 91 and Schedule 2.
Classical Swine Fever	80/217, 64/432	H of A Act 5, 22-27, 64: H of A Regs 90, 91 and Schedule 2.

Fowl Plague (Highly pathogenic Avian Influenza)	92/40, 90/539	H of A Act 5, 22-27, 64: H of A Regs 90, 91 and Schedule 2.
Newcastle disease	92/66, 90/539	H of A Act 5, 22-27, 64: H of A Regs 90, 91 and Schedule 2.
Venezuelan Equine Encephalomyelitis	90/426	H of A Act 5, 22-27, 64: H of A Regs 90, 91 and Schedule 2.
Epizootic haemorrhagic disease	92/119	H of A Act 5, 22-27, 64: H of A Regs 90, 91 and Schedule 2.
Teschen	92/119	H of A Act 5, 22-27, 64: H of A Regs 90, 91 and Schedule 2.

Aquaculture diseases

The list of aquaculture diseases is to be discussed further by the Parties on the basis of the International Aquatic Animal Health Code of the OIE.

ANNEX IV

REGIONALISATION AND ZONING

Further to Article 5(3), the Parties agree that the following forms the basis for regionalisation decisions for the diseases listed in Annex III. Each Party agrees to recognize regionalisation decisions taken in accordance with this Annex.

Animal Diseases

Regionalisation -Adjacent countries or parts of countries which have the same animal health status and similar disease controls can be treated as a region. The region must be clearly delineated by natural, artificial or legal boundaries which must be effective. The region must have a common control policy for the specific disease. There must be a uniform effective system of epidemiological surveillance throughout the region and an official sanitary agreement between the countries involved.

In assessing risk from a given proposed importation of animals or animal products, three sets of factors may be considered :

1. Source risk factors
2. Commodity risk factors
3. Destination risk factors

Source risk factors

The primary determinant of the risk of importing disease is the status of the country of origin in respect of the disease in question. However, declarations of disease freedom must be backed up by effective surveillance programmes.

The over-riding consideration in this context, therefore, is the quality of the veterinary infrastructure. No other factors can be assessed without full confidence in the veterinary administration. In particular, their ability to detect and control an outbreak of disease and to provide meaningful certification is crucial.

The ability to detect the presence of disease depends on the surveillance carried out. This surveillance can be active, passive, or both.

Active surveillance implies definitive action intended to identify the presence of disease, such as systematic clinical inspections, ante and post mortem examination, serology on farm or in abattoir, referral of pathological material for laboratory diagnosis, sentinel animals.

Passive surveillance means that the disease must be compulsorily notifiable, and that there must be a sufficiently high level of supervision of the animals in order to ensure that the disease will be observed quickly and reported as a suspect. There must also be a mechanism for investigation and confirmation, and farmers and veterinarians must have a high level of awareness of the disease and its symptoms.

Epidemio-surveillance may be augmented by voluntary and compulsory herd/flock health programmes, particularly those which ensure a regular veterinary presence on the farm.

Other factors to be considered include :

- * disease history
- * vaccination history
- * controls on movements into the zone, out of the zone and within the zone
- * animal identification and recording
- * presence of disease in adjacent areas
- * physical barriers between zones of differing status
- * meteorological conditions
- * use of buffer zones (with or without vaccination)
- * presence of vectors and/or reservoirs
- * active control and eradication programmes (where appropriate)
- * ante and post mortem inspection system

On the basis of these factors, a zone may be defined.

The authority with the responsibility for implementing the zoning policy is in the best position to define and maintain the zone. When there is a high level of confidence in that authority, the decisions it makes can be the basis for trade.

The zones so defined may be assigned a risk category.

Possible categories are :

- low/negligible risk
- medium risk
- high risk
- unknown risk

Calculation of estimates of risk for eg. live animals, [calculated by the [exporting] [importing] Party], may assist in this categorisation. Import conditions may then be defined for each category, disease and commodity, individually or in groups.

Low/negligible risk implies that importation may take place based on a simple guarantee of origin.

Medium risk implies that some combination of certification and/or guarantees may be required before or after importation.

High risk implies that importation will only take place under conditions which significantly reduce the risk, eg. by additional guarantees, testing or treatment.

Unknown risk implies that imports will only take place if the commodity itself is of very low risk eg. hides, wool, or under the conditions for "high risk" if the commodity factors warrant.

Commodity Risk Factors

These include :

- * is the disease transmissible by the commodity
- * could the agent be present in the commodity if derived from a healthy and/or clinically affected animal
- * can the predisposing factor be reduced eg. by vaccination
- * what is the likelihood that the commodity has been exposed to infection
- * has the commodity been obtained in such a way as to reduce the risk eg. de-boning
- * has the commodity been subjected to a treatment which inactivates the agent

Appropriate tests and quarantine will reduce the risk.

Destination Risk Factors

- * presence of susceptible animals
- * presence of vectors
- * possible vector-free period
- * preventive measures such as waste food feeding and animal waste rendering rules
- * intended use of product eg. petfood, human consumption only.

These factors are inherent in or are under the control of the importing country, and some may therefore be modified to facilitate trade. These may for example include restricted entry conditions eg. animals to be confined to a certain vector free region until the incubation period has passed, or [canalisation] systems.

However, destination Risk Factors will also be taken into account by the infected country with respect to the risk presented by movements from the infected part to the free part of its territory.

Aquaculture Diseases

Pending the development of any specific provisions to be included in this Annex, the basis for Regionalisation decisions for aquaculture diseases will be the International Aquatic Health Code of the OIE.

ANNEX V**Recognition of Sanitary Measures**

Yes (1)	Equivalence agreed - model health attestations to be used
Yes (2)	Equivalence agreed in principle - some specific issue (s) to be resolved - existing certification to be used until issue(s) resolved
Yes (3)	Equivalence in form of compliance with importing Party's requirements - existing certification to be used
NE	Not evaluated - existing certification to be used in the interim
No (4) :	Not equivalent and/or further evaluation is required. Trade may occur if the exporting Party meets the importing Party's requirements

AD	Aujeszky's disease
AI	avian influenza
BSE	bovine spongiform encephalopathy
BVD	bovine viral diarrhoea
C	Celsius
CSF	classical swine fever
EBL	enzootic bovine leucosis
Equiv	Equivalent
FMD	foot and mouth disease
IBD	infectious bursal disease
IBR	infection bovine rhinotracheitis
IR	Ireland
JD	Johne's disease
MV	Maedi-visna
ND	Newcastle disease
OIE	Office International des Epizooties
PAQ	post-arrival quarantine
PEQ	pre-export quarantine
PM	Post Mortem
PRRS	porcine reproductive and respiratory syndrome
ScVC	Scientific Veterinary Committee
Std	Standard
SVD	swine vesicular disease
UHT	Ultra High Temperature
UK	United Kingdom
WTO	World Trade Organisation

-Commodity -Species -Animal/Public Health	European Community Exports to Canada				Canadian Exports to the European Community					
	Trade Conditions		Equiv. (Cat)	Special Conditions	Actions	Trade Conditions		Equiv. (Cat)	Special Conditions	Actions
	EC Standards	Canadian Standards				Canadian Standards	EC Standards			

1. Live Animals

Animal health										
- Equidae	Directive 90/426,	H of A Act & Regs., permit conditions	2		<p>ii) Consider reducing the post-import quarantine time to that necessary to ensure freedom of the animals from diseases of concern.</p> <p>vi) Amend reqmt, for piroplesmosis freedom to freedom from notifiable diseases within 10 km of the holding for 12 months.</p> <p>vii) Amend statements regarding disease freedom to the wording in Article 4, para 5 of 90/426/EEC</p> <p>ix) Amend piroplesmosis test to test approved by AAFC.</p>	H f A Act and Regs., Disease Control MOP	Directive 90/426, Decisions 92/260, 93/195, 93/196; 93/197, 94/467	3		i) Cda requests that EU accept as official tests those that become recognised by OIE.

-Commodity -Species -Animal/Public Health	European Community Exports to Canada				Canadian Exports to the European Community					
	Trade Conditions		Equiv. (Cat)	Special Conditions	Actions	Trade Conditions		Equiv. (Cat)	Special Conditions	Actions
	EC Standards	Canadian Standards				Canadian Standards	EC Standards			

1. Live Animals

Animal health										
- Bovine Animals	Directives 64/432, 72/462.	H of A Act & Regs, permit conditions	E		<p>EC requests Canada to</p> <p>i) accept items, ii) and vii) over.</p> <p>ii) eliminate post import requirements or at least to reduce the duration and severity of quarantine/ isolation to the time and tests necessary to determine freedom from diseases of concern.</p> <p>iii) accept that trade in live cattle shall proceed on the basis of the OIE recommendations as outlined in Chapter 3.2.13. of the International Animal Health Code.</p>	H of A Act and Regs., DC Manual of Procedures, permit conditions.	Directive 72/462 Decision' 83/494	3		<p>Canada requests that EU</p> <p>i) Accept cattle inspected within 48 hours of departure.</p> <p>ii) Accept cattle without tb and brucellosis test if they originate from free regions.</p> <p>iii) Review EBL rules</p> <p>iv) Accept cattle on basis of a statement indicating that the holding is not under restriction due to an outbreak of rabies or anthrax.</p> <p>v) Remove the reqmt. for mastitis test.</p> <p>vi) Review blu etongue & EHD tests and requirements and seasonal restrictions for these diseases.</p> <p>vii) Review IBR requirements</p> <p>viii) Reexamine requirement that animals be conceived in Canada.</p>

-Commodity -Species -Animal/Public Health	European Community Exports to Canada				Canadian Exports to the European Community					
	Trade Conditions		Equiv. (Cat)	Special Conditions	Actions	Trade Conditions		Equiv. (Cat)	Special Conditions	Actions
	EC Standards	Canadian Standards				Canadian Standards	EC Standards			

1. Live Animals

Animal health										
Sheep/Goats	Directive 91/68	H of A Act & Regs, permit conditions	4		<p>EC requests that Canada</p> <p>i) Accept animals from a region in which scrapie is notifiable, the holding has been free for two years and where the holding is subject to sampling for the disease</p> <p>ii) Justify the requirement that animals must originate from a region which is free from BSE.</p> <p>iii) Delete the requirement for regional freedom from B. ovis, paratuberculosis, enzootic abortion and echinococcus/hydatidosis.</p> <p>iv) Delete test requirements for leptospirosis, paratuberculosis, enzootic abortion, MV/CAE, Q fever and the test for tuberculosis from free regions.</p> <p>v) eliminate post import requirements or at least to reduce the duration and severity of quarantine/ isolation to the time and tests necessary to determine freedom from diseases of concern.</p>	H of A Act and Regs., DC Manual of Procedures, Permit conditions	Directive 91/68	4		<p>Canada requests the EU to;</p> <p>i) Justify the reqmt. for regional freedom from contagious agalactia.</p> <p>ii) Remove reqmt. for seasonal importation</p> <p>vi) Accept animals from holding free of scrapie 5 years & not the progeny of an affected dam.</p> <p>vii) Remove reqmts. for flock testing for MV/CAE, B. ovis and B. melitensis, pre-embarkation quarantine; and tests for brucellosis from free areas, MV/CAE and contagious agalactia except for animals destined to free regions and tests for bluetongue and EHD.</p> <p>viii) Accept on the basis of CD 93/198/EEC Part 1.b</p>

-Commodity -Species -Animal/Public Health	European Community Exports to Canada				Canadian Exports to the European Community					
	Trade Conditions		Equiv. (Cat)	Special Conditions	Actions	Trade Conditions		Equiv. (Cat)	Special Conditions	Actions
	EC Standards	Canadian Standards				Canadian Standards	EC Standards			

1. Live Animals										
Animal health										
- Swine	Directive 64/432, 72/462, 90/425,	H of A Act & Regs., permit conditions	3		EC requests Canada to delete reference to PRRS, leptos, TGE, PRCV, atrophic rhinitis, T. spiralis, and ivermectin treatment.	H of A Act and Regs.	Directive 72/462 Decision 83/494	3		Canada requests that EU; i) Accept animals without test for Teschen disease. ii) Delete requirement for percentage herd test for swine influenza and TGE.
- Dogs and Cats	Directive 92/65,	H of A Act and Regs. Sec 17 & 18.	2	Must have cert of rabies vaccination or country freedom. Additional vaccination requirements and humane considerations for puppies.		H of A Act and Regs, DC Manual of Procedures.	Directive 92/65	2	Quarantine required for movement to UK and Ireland. Otherwise vaccination and test	Accept animals into free regions with a record of rabies vaccination and booster without quarantine.
- "Balai" animals	Directive 92/65	H of A Act and Regs.	3 E		Review import conditions for cervidae and camelidae	H of A Act and Regs. Disease control programs and ungulate movement control apply to these animals.	Directive 92/65	3		i) Produce import conditions for farmed cervidae, and camelidae and bison.

-Commodity -Species -Animal/Public Health	European Community Exports to Canada				Canadian Exports to the European Community					
	Trade Conditions		Equiv. (Cat)	Special Conditions	Actions	Trade Conditions		Equiv. (Cat)	Special Conditions	Actions
	EC Standards	Canadian Standards				Canadian Standards	EC Standards			

2. Live Poultry and hatching eggs

Animal health	Directives 90/539, Decision 93/342	H of A Act and Regs. Permit conditions	3		Generic conditions Review requirements for TRT and EDS	H of A Act and Regs., DC Manual of Procedures.	Directives 90/539, Decision 93/432 96/482	3		
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-Commodity	European Community Exports to Canada				Canadian Exports to the European Community					
	Trade Conditions		Equiv. (Cat)	Special Conditions	Actions	Trade Conditions		Equiv. (Cat)	Special Conditions	Actions
	EC Standards	Canadian Standards				Canadian Standards	EC Standards			

3. Semen

Animal health										
-Bovine	Directive 88/407	H of A Act and Regs. , Permit conditions	2		Review the requirement for seronegative status of donors for leptospirosis and paratuberculosis	H of A Act and Regs, DC Manual of Procedures, Sec 15.	Directive 88/407 Decision 94/577/EC	3		<p>i) Provide justification for the reqmnt. that all bulls standing in an approved centre need to be IBR/IPV seronegative & justify the necessity to test donors for EHD in view of transmissibility by semen in doubt.</p> <p>ii) Update test provisions for brucellosis (CF or ELISA) and EBL (ELISA or AGID).</p> <p>iii) Determine method to be used to identify semen from IBR/IPV negative bulls or remove requirement for such straw identification.</p> <p>iv) Amend CD. 94/577/EC Part 1, 13.(d)of Annex C to permit importation of semen from bulls which have been resident "in the territory of a 3rd country on the list drawn up in accordance with Article 8 (1) of 88/407/EEC" and request the name of the third country.</p>

Commodity	European Community Exports to Canada					Canadian Exports to the European Community				
	Trade Conditions		Equiv.	Special Conditions	Actions	Trade Conditions		Equiv.	Special Conditions	Actions
	EC Standards	Canadian Standards	(Cat)			Canadian Standards	EC Standards	(Cat)		

3. Semen										
Animal health										
-Sheep/Goats	Directives 92/65	H of A Act and Regs., Permit conditions	3 E			H of A Act and Regs., DC Manual of Procedures, Sec 15.	Directive 92/65 91/68 Decision 95/388/EC	3		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> i) Harmonize trade zoosanitary conditions for imports from third countries. ii) Remove the requirement for Mycoplasma testing (done in bovine). iii) Accept regionalization of bluetongue and EHD and remove the test requirement. iv) Update test requirement for MV/CAE to ELISA. v) Delete the requirement for post collection test for MV/CAE.
-Porcine	Directive 90/429	H of A Act and Regs., Permit conditions	E		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> i) Review the requirement for leptospirosis seronegativity. ii) Generic conditions 	H of A Act and Regs., DC Manual of Procedures, Sec 15.	Directive 90/429 Decision 93/199	E		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> i) Harmonize for third country importation. ii) Review requirement to test all boars for CSF and AD
-Canine	Directive 92/65	H of A Act and Regs.	E		i) Generic conditions	H of A Act and Regs.	Directive 92/65	1		Canada requests EU to produce certificate
-Feline	Directive 92/65	No trade					Directive 92/65			

-Commodity -Species -Animal/Public Health	European Community Exports to Canada				Canadian Exports to the European Community					
	Trade Conditions		Equiv. (Cat)	Special Conditions	Actions	Trade Conditions		Equiv. (Cat)	Special Conditions	Actions
	EC Standards	Canadian Standards				Canadian Standards	EC Standards			

4. Equine semen, ova and embryos

Animal health	Directive 92/65 Decisions 95/307 95/295	H of A Act and Regs, Permit conditions	4		Set out import requirements	H of A Act and Regs.	Directive 92/65, Decisions 95/307 92/294 96/539 96/540	3		Recognize Canada's freedom from CEM and remove the requirement to test donor stallions.
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5. Embryos

Animal health										
-Bovine	Directives 89/556	H of A Act and Regs, Permit conditions	2			H of A Act and Regs, AAFC Accreditation Program	Directive 89/556 Decision 92/471/EC	1		Accept and enforce IETS straw labelling recommendations. Alter frequency of inspection of teams to agree with internal EC rules

-Commodity	European Community Exports to Canada					Canadian Exports to the European Community				
	Trade Conditions		Equiv. (Cat)	Special Conditions	Actions	Trade Conditions		Equiv. (Cat)	Special Conditions	Actions
	EC Standards	Canadian Standards				Canadian Standards	EC Standards			

5. Embryos

Animal health										
-Ovine/ Caprine	Directive 92/65	H of A Act and Regs, Permit conditions.	2		Update as necessary Generic conditions	H of A Act and Regs, AAFC Accreditation Program	Directive 92/65 Decision 95/388/EC	4		Delete requirement for flock testing, leptos treatment and mycoplasma testing of donors. Provide details of team approval system for small ruminants.
- Pigs	Directives 92/118, 72/461, 72/462	H of A Act and Regs. Sec 40-52.	2 E	Raw - Approved countries need cert. Unapproved require disinfection.			Directive 92/118	3		

-Commodity	European Community Exports to Canada				Canadian Exports to the European Community					
	Trade Conditions		Equiv. (Cat)	Special Conditions	Actions	Trade Conditions		Equiv. (Cat)	Special Conditions	Actions
	EC Standards	Canadian Standards				Canadian Standards	EC Standards			

6. MEAT PRODUCTS AND OTHER PRODUCTS OF ANIMAL ORIGIN

Public Health	Directive 64/433 Directive 77/99 Directive 71/118 Directive 91/495 Directive 92/45	Meat Inspection Act & Regs. Food and Drugs Act & Regs. Consumer Packaging & Labelling Act & Regs. (if packaged for retail sale). Canada Agricultural Products Act & Livestock Carcass Grading Regs. (if beef) Canada Agricultural Products Act & Processed Poultry Regs (if carcass form)				Meat Inspection Act & Regs. Food & Drugs Act & Regs. Consumer Packaging & Labelling Act & Regs. (if packaged for retail sale). Canada Agricultural Products Act & Livestock Carcass Grading Regs. (if beef) Canada Agricultural Products Act & Processed Poultry Regs (if carcass form)	Directive 72/462 Directive 92/118 Decision 97/534/EC			EC to examine Canadian submission on BSE status
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-Commodity -Species -Animal/Public Health	European Community Exports to Canada					Canadian Exports to the European Community				
	Trade Conditions		Equiv. (Cat)	Special Conditions	Actions	Trade Conditions		Equiv. (Cat)	Special Conditions	Actions
	EC Standards	Canadian Standards				Canadian Standards	EC Standards			

6. MEAT PRODUCTS AND OTHER PRODUCTS OF ANIMAL ORIGIN

Veterinary presence			yes (1)					yes (2)	Veterinary presence during production	Compliance but should be reconsidered when HACCP is introduced
Veterinary ante mortem			yes (1)	assinstant can preselect animals for vet inspection				yes (2)	vet has to do 100% ante-mortem	Compliance by Canada at present
Facility requirements			yes (2)					yes (2)		
Effluents				separation of waste water and other effluents necessary to prevent backflow contamination					separation not required	Canada prepared to accept equivalent safeguards
Hand-wash facilities/showers				showers recommended but not required in cutting and processing plants					hand wash facilities not to be hand operated and to provide for easy access. Showers required	EU to consider modifyng Article 11 of Annex 1 meanwhile Canada to comply

-Commodity -Species -Animal/Public Health	European Community Exports to Canada					Canadian Exports to the European Community				
	Trade Conditions		Equiv. (Cat)	Special Conditions	Actions	Trade Conditions		Equiv. (Cat)	Special Conditions	Actions
	EC Standards	Canadian Standards				Canadian Standards	EC Standards			

6. MEAT PRODUCTS AND OTHER PRODUCTS OF ANIMAL ORIGIN										
Waste water removal				not necessary to be positively ducted					Waste water needs to be positively ducted into covered drains	Compliance by Canada, but Canada wishes to further discuss requirement as it relates to slaughter floor.
Use of wood in structure and equipment				Canada permits wooden pallets in processing areas					Use of wood not permitted in rooms, except where only packaged meat is handled	Compliance by Canada
Hygiene Standards										
product flow/cross overs and counter flow			yes (2)	Not strictly regulated				yes (2)	Product flow in such a way as to assure all hygiene requirements, e.g. separation of unpacked fresh meat and packaged meat	Compliance by Canada at present. This item to be reassessed at a future date when Canadian situation permits establish equivalency

-Commodity -Species -Animal/Public Health	European Community Exports to Canada				Canadian Exports to the European Community					
	Trade Conditions		Equiv.	Special Conditions	Actions	Trade Conditions		Equiv.	Special Conditions	Actions
	EC Standards	Canadian Standards	(Cat)			Canadian Standards	EC Standards	(Cat)		

6. MEAT PRODUCTS AND OTHER PRODUCTS OF ANIMAL ORIGIN

management sanitation program and vet control of it (bact.control)									Inter alia bacteriological controls and vet service analysis required	Canada system is now equivalent subject to on site verification
handling of exposed meat and cardboard by same person				Not prohibited by Canadian legislation					Not allowed	Compliance by Canada
protection of packaging material				Packaging material shall not be contaminated					Packaging material must be in sealed protective covering during transportation and storage	Compliance by Canada at present.
room temperatures and temperature recording				Room temperatures not to exceed: Cutting room 10°C Holding cooler 4°C Chilling cooler 2°C Freezer -18°C Product temperatures not to exceed refrigerated meat products 4°C					Cutting room temperature not to exceed 12C Product temperatures not to exceed: Offal 3°C Fresh meat 7°C Frozen meat -12C	pliance by both sides at present. Equivalence should be considered

-Commodity -Species -Animal/Public Health	European Community Exports to Canada					Canadian Exports to the European Community				
	Trade Conditions		Equiv. (Cat)	Special Conditions	Actions	Trade Conditions		Equiv. (Cat)	Special Conditions	Actions
	EC Standards	Canadian Standards				Canadian Standards	EC Standards			

6. MEAT PRODUCTS AND OTHER PRODUCTS OF ANIMAL ORIGIN

water testing	Directive 80/778/EEC	Standards by Health Canada	yes (1)				Directive 80/778/EEC	yes (2)		Compliance by Canada. EC(DGXI) to evaluate Canadian submission
medical certificates	D64/433 D77/99 D71/118 D91/495 D92/45	Meat Inspection Act and Regulations	NE	Continuous assessment of health status	EC to provide info on MS systems	Standards by health Canada	D64/433 etc	yes (2)	Initial health certificate required. Follow up by Member States system	Canada to comply with present EC regulation
HACCP- application			NE					NE		Discussion

Commodity	European Community Exports to Canada					Canadian Exports to the European Community				
	Trade Conditions		Equiv. (Cat)	Special Conditions	Actions	Trade Conditions		Equiv. (Cat)	Special Conditions	Actions
	EC Standards	Canadian Standards				Canadian Standards	EC Standards			

6A. Fresh Meat - Specific										
Animal health										
-Ruminants	Directives 64/432, 72/461, 72/462	H of A Act and Regs. Sec 40,41.	2	Requires a certificate of origin, statement of disease freedom.	Nil	No legislation	Directive 72/462 Decision 80/804	3		
- Equidae	Directives 64/432, 72/461, 72/462	H of A Act and Regs. Sec 40,41.	2	Statement of origin, disease freedom.	Nil	No legislation	Directive 72/462 Decision 80/804	3		
- Porcine Animals	Directives 64/432, 72/461, 72/462,	H of A Act and Regs. Sec 40,41	2	Statement of origin, disease freedom.	Nil	No legislation	Directive 72/462 Decision 80/804	3		
Public Health	Directive 64/433	Meat Inspection Act & Regs. Food and Drugs Act & Regs. Consumer Packaging & Labelling Act & Regs. (if packaged for retail sale). Canada Agricultural Products Act & Livestock Carcass Grading Regs. (if beef)	Yes (2)	See below		Meat Inspection Act & Regs. Food & Drugs Act & Regs. Consumer Packaging & Labelling Act & Regs. (if packaged for retail sale). Canada Agricultural Products Act & Livestock Carcass Grading Regs. (if beef)	Directive 72/462 Decision 97/534/EC	Yes (2)	See below	EC to examine Canadian submission on BSE status

-Commodity -Species -Animal/Public Health	European Community Exports to Canada					Canadian Exports to the European Community				
	Trade Conditions		Equiv. (Cat)	Special Conditions	Actions	Trade Conditions		Equiv. (Cat)	Special Conditions	Actions
	EC Standards	Canadian Standards				Canadian Standards	EC Standards			

6A. Fresh Meat - Specific

Definition and Prohibitions										
Young animals				No export of meat from animals under two weeks					No export of meat from too young animals	Compliance by both parties; pending change in Canadian legislation
Mechanically recovered meat				Canada allows mechanically recovered meat fresh/frozen under defined conditions					Deletion - no imports possible at present time	Compliance by Canada, pending possible changes in EU legislation
Irradiation				Irradiation not forbidden but unacceptable to consumers at present					Fresh meat not to be irradiated	Compliance by Canada until a change in EU legislation
Hormones etc, tenderizers				Use not forbidden					Use forbidden	Compliance by Canada. Under WTO consideration at present time
salmonella				No special health guarantees required at present time					special guarantees required for Sweden and Finland	Compliance by Canada

-Commodity -Species -Animal/Public Health	European Community Exports to Canada					Canadian Exports to the European Community				
	Trade Conditions		Equiv. (Cat)	Special Conditions	Actions	Trade Conditions		Equiv. (Cat)	Special Conditions	Actions
	EC Standards	Canadian Standards				Canadian Standards	EC Standards			

6A. Fresh Meat - Specific										
Establishment Criteria										
- suspect pens				Strict segregation is necessary, but not separate drainage for sick or suspect animals is required					Required	Canada requests EU to consider amending requirement in view of animal health situation
- room for vet service in cutting plants				No requirements for a separate office					Required	Canada requests EU to consider amending requirement where there is no permanent veterinary service presence
- Equine meat				Equine meat has to be totally separated from other meat at all times (adulteration).					No separation necessary from other meat fit for human consumption	Not strictly a DG VI issue. Canada would be prepared to accept specific instruction for certification.
- hide-on veal				permitted					Not permitted	Compliance for export

-Commodity -Species -Animal/Public Health	European Community Exports to Canada				Canadian Exports to the European Community					
	Trade Conditions		Equiv.	Special Conditions	Actions	Trade Conditions		Equiv. (Cat)	Special Conditions	Actions
	EC Standards	Canadian Standards	(Cat)			Canadian Standards	EC Standards			

6A. Fresh Meat - Specific

Meat inspection/ veterinary supervision										
• POST MORTEM INSPECTION										
* incision				certain incisions can be made by workers					Not allowed	Compliance (discussion)
* Cysticercosis cuts				Only one masseter external cut and one internal cut					Two external cuts required	Compliance by Canada at present time, pending conclusion of Canadian study
* Pig heart incision				No incision routinely required					Inter-ventricular septum cut required (heart to be incised)	Canada to request EU to review requirements based on animal health status of Canada
* glanders				Splitting of head not required					Required	Compliance by Canada. Canada to request a derogation, based on disease freedom
* liver incisions				Only longitudinal incision of hepatic ducts required					Incision at base of caudate lobe required	Compliance by Canada, pending outcome of Canadian study. Eventually Canadian request

-Commodity -Species -Animal/Public Health	European Community Exports to Canada				Canadian Exports to the European Community					
	Trade Conditions		Equiv. (Cat)	Special Conditions	Actions	Trade Conditions		Equiv. (Cat)	Special Conditions	Actions
	EC Standards	Canadian Standards				Canadian Standards	EC Standards			

6A. Fresh Meat - Specific									
Meat inspection/ veterinary supervision									
* trichina testing of horse meat and pigmeat			Not required					Required for export of meat	Compliance by Canada

-Commodity -Species -Animal/Public Health	European Community Exports to Canada				Canadian Exports to the European Community					
	Trade Conditions		Equiv. (Cat)	Special Conditions	Actions	Trade Conditions		Equiv. (Cat)	Special Conditions	Actions
	EC Standards	Canadian Standards				Canadian Standards	EC Standards			

6A. Fresh Meat - Specific

MEAT HANDLING PROCEDURES										
- Stockinettes				Permitted as sole wrapping material					Not be used as sole wrapping or packaging material	Compliance by Canada
- Shrouds				Not prohibited by Canadian legislation					Not to be used on carcasses	Compliance by Canada

7. Poultry Meat

Animal health	Directives 91/494 Decision 94/438	H of A Act and Regs. Sec 40,41.	2	Statement of origin, disease freedom.		No legislation	Directive 91/494 Decisions 93/342 94/984	Yes(3)		Extend rules to all species (ratites etc.)
Public health	Directive 71/118	Meat Inspection Act & Regs. Food and Drugs Act & Regs. Consumer Packaging and Labelling Act & Regs. (if packaged for retail sale). Canada Agricultural Products Act & Processed Poultry Regs (if in carcass form).	Yes (2)	- Vet PM HORIZONTAL ISSUES	Compliance by EC. Further discussion following on site verification	Meat Inspection Act & Regs. Food and Drugs Act & Regs. Consumer Packaging and Labelling Act & Regs. (if packaged for retail sale) Canada Agricultural Products Act & Processed Poultry Regs (if in carcass form)	Directive 71/118 Decision 96/712	Yes (2)	- Vet PM - Counter-flow chiller - Final decontamination (chlorination, irradiation) Horizontal Issues	Compliance by Canada. Further discussion following on site verification Compliance by Canada Compliance by Canada. Further discussion: EC (DGXI) to define "hyperchlorination", Canada to send trial on TSP

-Commodity -Species -Animal/Public Health	European Community Exports to Canada				Canadian Exports to the European Community					
	Trade Conditions		Equiv.	Special Conditions	Actions	Trade Conditions		Equiv.	Special Conditions	Actions
	EC Standards	Canadian Standards	(Cat)			Canadian Standards	EC Standards			

8. Meat Products

Animal health										
- Red Meat (ruminants/horses)	Directives 64/432, 72/461, 72/462, 80/215	H of A Act and Regs. Sec 40, 41.	2	Statement of origin, disease freedom.		No legislation	Directive 72/462 Decision 91/449 Decisions 97/231 97/232	3		
- Pigs	Directives 64/432, 72/461, 72/462, 80/215	H of A Act and Regs. Sec 40,41.	2	Statement of origin, disease freedom.		No legislation	Directive 72/462 Decision 91/449 Decisions 97/231 97/232	3		
-Poultry	Directives 92/118, 72/462, 80/215, 94/438	H of A Act and Regs. Sec 40.41.	2	Statement of origin, disease freedom.		No legislation	Directive 92/118 Decisions 97/231 97/232	3		
-Wild Game and farmed game	Directives 92/495, 92/45	H of A Act and Regs. Sec 40,41.	2	Statement of origin, disease freedom		No legislation	Directive 92/495,92/45 Decisions 97/231 97/232	3		
Public Health	Directive 77/99	Meat Inspection Act & Regs. Food and Drugs Act & Regs. Consumer Packaging and Labelling Act & Regs. (if packaged for retail sale)	Yes (2)	HORIZONTAL ISSUES		Meat Inspection Act & Regs. Food and Drugs Act & Regs. Consumer Packaging and Labelling Act & Regs. (if pkgd. for retail sale)	Directive 77/99, 92/118 Decision 97/41/EC Decision 97/534/EC	Yes (2)	HORIZONTAL ISSUES	EC to examine Canadian submission on BSE status

-Commodity -Species -Animal/Public Health	European Community Exports to Canada				Canadian Exports to the European Community					
	Trade Conditions		Equiv.	Special Conditions	Actions	Trade Conditions		Equiv.	Special Conditions	Actions
	EC Standards	Canadian Standards	(Cat)			Canadian Standards	EC Standards	(Cat)		

9. Farmed Game Meat										
Animal health										
- Deer - Rabbit	Directives 72/461, 92/118, 91/495	H of A Act and Regs. Sec 40, 41.	2	Statement of origin, disease freedom.	Nil	No legislation	Directive 92/118, 91/495 Decisions 97/219/EC	3		
- Porcine	Directives 72/461, 92/118, 91/495	H of A Act and Regs. Sec 40, 41.	2	Statement of origin, disease freedom.	Nil	No legislation	Directive 92/118 Decisions 97/219/EC	3		
- Feathered	Directives 92/118, 72/462, 80/215, 94/438	H of A Act and Regs. Sec 40, 41.	2	Statement of origin, disease freedom.	Nil	No legislation	Directive 92/118 Decisions 97/219/EC	3		
Public Health	Directive 91/495	Meat Inspection Act & Regs. Food and Drugs Act & Regs. Consumer Packaging and Labelling Act & Regs. (if packaged for retail sale)	Yes (2)	Some bird species not permitted Prolonged delayed evisceration not permitted HORIZONTAL ISSUES	Compliance by EC. EC to specify additional wild birds to be included Compliance by EC	Meat Inspection Act & Regs. Food and Drugs Act & Regs. Consumer Packaging and Labelling Act & Regs. (if packaged for retail sale)	Directive 91/495 Decision 97/219/EC	Yes (2)	Canada to meet provisions of Directive 91/495/EEC Rabbits: decapitation not permitted HORIZONTAL ISSUES	Compliance by Canada at the present time Compliance by Canada

-Commodity	European Community Exports to Canada					Canadian Exports to the European Community				
	Trade Conditions		Equiv. (Cat)	Special Conditions	Actions	Trade Conditions		Equiv. (Cat)	Special Conditions	Actions
	EC Standards	Canadian Standards				Canadian Standards	EC Standards			

10. Wild Game Meat										
Animal health										
- Deer - Rabbit	Directive 92/45	H. of A Act and Regs. Sec 40,41.	2	Statement of origin, disease freedom.	Nil	No legislation	Directive 92/45, Decision 97/218/EC	3		
- Porcine	Directive 92/45	H of A Act and Regs. Sec 40, 41.	2	Statement of origin, disease freedom	Nil	No legislation	Directive 92/45, Decision 97/220/EC	3		
- Feathered	Directive 92/45	H of A Act and Regs. Sec 40,41.	2	Statement of origin, disease freedom	Nil	No legislation	Directive 92/45, Decision 97/218/EC	3		
Public Health	Directive 92/45	Meat Inspection Act & Regs. Food and Drugs Act & Regs. Consumer Packaging and Labelling Act & Regs. (if packaged for retail sale)	N.E.	Presently prohibited except for caribou, reneard and muskox HORIZONTAL ISSUES	EC to specify additional wild birds to be included Canada consider amending legislation	Meat Inspection Act & Regs. Food and Drugs Act & Regs. Consumer Packaging and Labelling Act & Regs. (if packaged for retail sale)	Directive 92/45 Decisions 97/218/EC 97/220/EC	N.E.		Canada to provide special conditions

-Commodity -Species -Animal/Public Health	European Community Exports to Canada				Canadian Exports to the European Community					
	Trade Conditions		Equiv.	Special Conditions	Actions	Trade Conditions		Equiv. (Cat)	Special Conditions	Actions
	EC Standards	Canadian Standards	(Cat)			Canadian Standards	EC Standards			

11. Fisheries Products for human consumption

Animal health										
Live Aquaculture animals and Aquaculture Products destined for human consumption or aquaculture.	Directive 91/67	Fish Health Protection Regulations made under the Fisheries Act, R.S.C. 1985, c.F-12	NE	All shipments must be accompanied by a Health Certificate issued by an approved Government body.		Fish Health Protection Regulations made under the Fisheries Act, R.S.C. 1985, c.F-12	Directive 91/67/EEC	NE		
a) Dead eviscerated fish for human consumption			Yes (2)	All live, and dead, uneviscerated salmonids, for aquaculture or human consumption, must be accompanied by an approved Fish Health Certificate issued by an approved Government body.				Yes(2)		
b) Dead non eviscerated products for human consumption			NE					NE		
c) Live fish eggs for aquaculture			NE					NE		
d) Live fish for aquaculture (include finfish, molluscs, crustacea and other invertebrates)			NE					NE		

-Commodity -Species -Animal/Public Health	European Community Exports to Canada				Canadian Exports to the European Community					
	Trade Conditions		Equiv.	Special Conditions	Actions	Trade Conditions		Equiv.	Special Conditions	Actions
	EC Standards	Canadian Standards	(Cat)			Canadian Standards	EC Standards	(Cat)		

11. Fisheries Products for human consumption										
Public Health										
- Fish and fishery products for Human consumption.	Directive 91/493 amended by Directive 95/71/EC, Directive 92/48/EEC and Decisions of application	Fish Inspection Regulations made under the Fish Inspection Act, R.S.C.; 1985 c.F-14 Food & Drugs Act and Regulations Consumer Packaging and Labelling Regulations (if packaged for retail sale)	Yes (2)	All shipments must be accompanied by a Certificate issued by an approved Gov. body. Supply a list of approved EU member state processing plants. Products must be labelled with the approved EU number, as per EC Directive 91/493/EEC. Products must meet the microbiological guidelines as defined by the Cdn. Bacteriological Guidelines for Fish & Fish Products. Products must meet the Cdn. Guidelines for Chemical Contaminants in Fish and Fish Products, incl. mercury at 0.5 ppm measured as total mercury (except for swordfish), Dioxin at 20 ppt, PCBs at 2.0 ppm, DDT and metabolites at 5.0 ppm and other agricultural chemicals or their derivatives at 0.1 ppm. Smoked fish packed in hermetically sealed containers must be frozen or contain a salt level not less than 9% (water phase method) Aquaculture products must meet the Cdn. guide-lines for therapeutic use.	To establish an electronic management of the lists of approved establishments in order to insure their immediate up dating Review existing contaminants levels to assess equivalency	Fish Inspection Regulations made under the fish Inspection Act, R.S.C., 1985, c.F-14	Directive 91/493 amended by Directive 95/71/EC, Directive 92/48/EEC and Decisions of application Directive 79/112/EEC	Yes (2)	All shipments must be accompanied by a Certificate issued by an approved Gov. body. Supply a list of approved Cdn. processing plants. For identification purposes, products should bear the Cdn. registration number of the production facility, in accordance with Chapter VII of the appendix to Dir. 91/493/EEC amended. Pending amendment to the Fish Inspection Reg., all processing plants must have automatic temperature recorders in frozen fish storage areas and non-hand operated wash-basins in processing areas. Cooked shellfish must meet the microbiological standards established in Decision 93/51/EEC Aquaculture products must meet the maximum residue levels as prescribed by Council Regulation 3277/90. All shipments of live lobsters and eels must meet the requirements for Export under the "Canadian Live Fish Certification Protocol".	To establish an electronic management of the lists of approved establishments in order to insure their immediate up dating

-Commodity -Species -Animal/Public Health	European Community Exports to Canada				Canadian Exports to the European Community					
	Trade Conditions		Equiv. (Cat)	Special Conditions	Actions	Trade Conditions		Equiv. (Cat)	Special Conditions	Actions
	EC Standards	Canadian Standards				Canadian Standards	EC Standards			

11. Fisheries Products for human consumption										
-Live Bivalve Molluscs for Human consumption, including echinoderms, tunicates and marine gastropods.	Directive 91/492	Fish Inspection Regulations made under the Fish Inspection Act, R.S.C., 1985 c.F-14 Food & Drugs Act and Regulations	Yes (2)	All shipments must be accompanied by a Certificate issued by an approved Government body. The original harvest site must be within an EU Member State. Supply a list of approved EU member state expedition centers. Product must be destined for direct Human consumption and not for wet storage, relaying or depuration in Canada. Labelling on each bag or container must include the common name of the shellfish, date and area of harvest, name, address and registration number of the Dispatch Center. Products must meet the microbiological guidelines as defined by the Canadian Bacteriological Guidelines for Fish & Fish Products. Products must meet the Canadian Guidelines for Chemical Contaminants in Fish and Fish Products, including mercury, Dioxin, PCBs, DDT and other agricultural chemicals and their derivative	To establish an electronic management of the lists of approved dispatch centers in order to insure their immediate up dating. Review of levels of contaminants in order to assess equivalency	Fish Inspection Regulations made under the Fish Inspection Act, R.S.C., 1985 c.F-14. Management of Contaminated Fisheries Regulations made under the Fisheries Act, R.S.C., 1985, c.F-12	Dir.91/492/E EC as amended by Dir.97/61/EC Decision 96/33/EC	Yes(2)	All shipments must be accompanied by a Certificate issued by an approved Government body. The original harvest site must be within Canada. Product must be destined for direct Human consumption and not for wet storage, relaying or depuration in EU. Supply a list of approved Canadian processing plants. Labelling on each bag or container must be marked with the name of the shipping country, the species of shellfish (common and scientific names), the official registration number identifying the dispatch center and the packing date. Products must meet the microbiological and toxicological standards established in chapter V of the appendix to Directive 91/492/EEC	Evaluate the equivalency of bacteriological quality based on growing waters vs shellfish flesh. To establish an electronic management of the lists of approved expedition centers in order to insure their immediate up dating

-Commodity -Species -Animal/Public Health	European Community Exports to Canada				Canadian Exports to the European Community					
	Trade Conditions		Equiv. (Cat)	Special Conditions	Actions	Trade Conditions		Equiv. (Cat)	Special Conditions	Actions
	EC Standards	Canadian Standards				Canadian Standards	EC Standards			

13. Milk and Milk Products for human consumption

Animal health										
- Cattle including buffalo - Sheep - Goats	Directive 64/432, 92/46	H of A Act and Regs.. Sec 34.	2	Hard and soft cheese not regulated. If the cheese pours it must be certified as from a country free from FMD.		Nil	Directive 92/46 Decisions 95/343 97/115 Decision 97/534/EC	2	Not restricted if in final packaging, if in bulk must be and use certified as not for livestock feed and to have originated in a country free from FMD. All shipments must be accompanied by a properly completed certificate as laid down in decision 95/345/EC modified by decision 97/115/EC	Canada requests that EU review clinical health and stage of lactation requirements

-Commodity -Species -Animal/Public Health	European Community Exports to Canada					Canadian Exports to the European Community				
	Trade Conditions		Equiv.	Special Conditions	Actions	Trade Conditions		Equiv.	Special Conditions	Actions
	EC Standards	Canadian Standards	(Cat)			Canadian Standards	EC Standards	(Cat)		

13. Milk and Milk Products for human consumption										
Public Health										
- Pasteurized	Directive 92/46	H of A Act and Regs. Sec 34. Food and Drugs Act and Regulations (Section B008) - Canada Agricultural Products Act and Dairy Product Regulations - Consumer Packaging and Labelling Act and Regulations (if packaged for retail sale)	Yes (3)	Import Declaration is prepared by importer (Canada) and presented to Customs on shipment's arrival. Products must meet the microbiological criteria as set out in the Food and Drugs Regulations and Dairy Products Regulations. Products must meet all labelling, net quantity and composition requirements, including additives.	Joint assessment of laboratories to be completed	Food and Drugs Act and Regulations (Section B008) - Canada Agricultural Products Act and Dairy Product Regulations - Consumer Packaging and Labelling Act and Regulations (if packaged for retail sale)	Directive 92/46/EC Decision 95/343/EC modified by decision 97/115/EC	Yes (3)	All shipments must be accompanied by a properly completed certificate as laid down in decision 95/343/EC modified by decision 97/115/EC	HACCP system to be implemented by 01/01/98 Canada to provide National Dairy Code when finalized. Joint assessment of laboratories to be completed

-Commodity -Species -Animal/Public Health	European Community Exports to Canada				Canadian Exports to the European Community					
	Trade Conditions		Equiv. (Cat)	Special Conditions	Actions	Trade Conditions		Equiv. (Cat)	Special Conditions	Actions
	EC Standards	Canadian Standards				Canadian Standards	EC Standards			

13. Milk and Milk Products for human consumption										
- Not Pasteurized (thermised only)	Directive 92/46	H of A Act and Regs. Sec 34. Food and Drugs Act and Regulations (Section B008) - Canada Agricultural Products Act and Dairy Product Regulations - Consumer Packaging and Labelling Act and Regulations (if packaged for retail sale)	Yes (3)	Import Declaration is prepared by importer (Canada) and presented to Customs on shipment's arrival. Products must meet the microbiological criteria as set out in the Food and Drugs Regulations and Dairy Products Regulations. Products must meet all labelling, net quantity and composition requirements, including additives. Only cheeses ripened for at least sixty days at greater than two degrees celsius can be made from not pasteurized (thermised only) milk.	Joint assessment of laboratories to be completed	Food and Drugs Act and Régulations (Section B008) - Canada Agricultural Products Act and Dairy Product Regulations - Consumer Packaging and Labelling Act and Regulations (if packaged for retail sale)	Directive 92/46/EC Decision 95/343/EC modified by decision 97/115/EC	Yes (3)	All shipments must be accompanied by a properly completed certificate as laid down in decision 95/345/EC modified by decision 97/115/EC	HACCP system to be implemented by 01/01/98 Canada to provide National Dairy Code when finalized Joint assessment of laboratories to be completed

-Commodity -Species -Animal/Public Health	European Community Exports to Canada				Canadian Exports to the European Community					
	Trade Conditions		Equiv. (Cat)	Special Conditions	Actions	Trade Conditions		Equiv. (Cat)	Special Conditions	Actions
	EC Standards	Canadian Standards				Canadian Standards	EC Standards			

13. Milk and Milk Products for human consumption

- Raw Milk	Directive 92/46	H of A Act and Regs. Sec 34. Food and Drugs Act and Regulations (Section B008) - Canada Agricultural Products Act and Dairy Product Regulations - Consumer Packaging and Labelling Act and Regulations (if packaged for retail sale)	Yes (3)	<p>Import Declaration is prepared by importer (Canada) and presented to Customs on shipment's arrival.</p> <p>Products must meet the microbiological criteria as set out in the Food and Drugs Regulations and Dairy Products Regulations.</p> <p>Products must meet all labelling, net quantity and composition requirements, including additives.</p> <p>Only cheeses ripened for at least sixty days at greater than two degrees celsius can be made from raw milk.</p>	Joint assessment of laboratories to be completed	<p>Food and Drugs Act and Regulations (Section B008)</p> <p>- Canada Agricultural Products Act and Dairy Product Regulations</p> <p>- Consumer Packaging and Labelling Act and Regulations (if packaged for retail sale)</p>	<p>Directive 92/46/EC</p> <p>Decision 95/343/EC modified by decision 97/115/EC</p>	Yes (3)	<p>All shipments must be accompanied by a properly completed certificate as laid down in decision 95/345/EC modified by decision 97/115/EC</p>	<p>HACCP system to be implemented by 01/01/98</p> <p>Canada to provide National Dairy Code when finalized</p> <p>Joint assessment of laboratories to be completed</p>
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-Commodity -Species -Animal/Public Health	European Community Exports to Canada					Canadian Exports to the European Community				
	Trade Conditions		Equiv. (Cat)	Special Conditions	Actions	Trade Conditions		Equiv. (Cat)	Special Conditions	Actions
	EC Standards	Canadian Standards				Canadian Standards	EC Standards			

14. Milk and Milk Based Products not for human consumption

Animal health										
-Cattle including buffalo - Sheep - Goats All pasteurised or UHT or Sterilised	Directives 92/118, 64/432	H of A Act and Regs. Sec 34.	2	No restriction if indicated for human consumption.			Directive 92/118, Decision 95/341 Decision 95/342/EC	2	Not restricted if in final packaging, if in bulk must be end use certified as not for livestock feed	
- Un-pasteurized colostrum for pharmaceutical use	Directives 92/118	H of A Act and Regs. Sec 34.	2	No restriction if indicated for human consumption.			Directive 92/118	4		
Public Health										

-Commodity -Species -Animal/Public Health	European Community Exports to Canada				Canadian Exports to the European Community					
	Trade Conditions		Equiv.	Special Conditions	Actions	Trade Conditions		Equiv.	Special Conditions	Actions
	EC Standards	Canadian Standards	(Cat)			Canadian Standards	EC Standards	(Cat)		

15. Minced Meat										
Animal health										
-Ruminants - Equidae	Directives 64/432, 72/461, 72/462	H of A Act and Regs. Sec 40-52.	3	As defined in the Meat Inspection Regulations.		Nil	Directive 72/462	3		
- Pigs	Directives 64/432, 72/461, 72/462	H of A Act and Regs. Sec 40-52.	3	As defined in the Meat Inspection Regulations.		Nil	Directive 72/462	3		
- Poultry / Wild game / Farmed game	Directives 92/118, 72/462, 80/215, 94,438	H of A Act and Regs Sec 40-52.	3			Nil		3		
Public health	Directive 94/65	Meat Inspection Act & Regs. Food and Drugs Act & Regs. Consumer Packaging and Labelling Act & Regs. (if packaged for retail sale)	Yes (2)	Canadian compositional standards for fat content	Compliance by EU	Meat Inspection Act & Regs. Food and Drugs Act & Regs. Consumer Packaging and Labelling Act & Regs. (if pkgd. for retail sale)	Directive 94/65 Decision 97/29/EC Decision 97/534/EC	Yes (2)	Use of heart meat prohibited	Compliance by Canada EC to examine Canadian submission on BSE status

-Commodity -Species -Animal/Public Health	European Community Exports to Canada				Canadian Exports to the European Community					
	Trade Conditions		Equiv.	Special Conditions	Actions	Trade Conditions		Equiv.	Special Conditions	Actions
	EC Standards	Canadian Standards	(Cat)			Canadian Standards	EC Standards	(Cat)		

16. Meat Preparations										
Animal health										
-Ruminants - Equidae	Directives 64/432, 72/461, 72/462	H of A Act and Regs, Sec 40-52.	E		Canada to review	Nil	Directive 72/462	E		
- Pigs	Directives 64/432, 72/461, 72/462,	H of A Act and Regs, Sec 40-52.	E		Canada to review	Nil	Directive 72/462	E		
- Poultry / Wild game / Farmed game	Directives 92/118, 72/462, 80/215, 94/438	H of A Act and Regs. Sec 40-52.	E		Canada to review	Nil		E		
Public Health	Directive 94/65	Meat Inspection Act & Regs. Food and Drugs Act & Regs. Consumer Packaging and Labelling Act & Regs. (if packaged for retail sale)	E		Canada to provide specific legislation	Meat Inspection Act & Regs. Food and Drugs Act & Regs. Consumer Packaging and Labelling Act & Regs. (if packaged for retail)	Directive 94/65 Decision 97/29/EC Decision 97/534/EC	E		Canada will evaluate EC legislation EC to evaluate Canadian submission on BSE status

-Commodity -Species -Animal/Public Health	European Community Exports to Canada				Canadian Exports to the European Community					
	Trade Conditions		Equiv. (Cat)	Special Conditions	Actions	Trade Conditions		Equiv. (Cat)	Special Conditions	Actions
	EC Standards	Canadian Standards				Canadian Standards	EC Standards			

17. Animal Casings for human consumption									
Animal health									
- Cattle - Sheep - Goats	Directives 92/118 64/432, 72/461, 72/462	H of A Act and Regs, Sec 40-52. Directive AH- 96-HPP-PHT- 02	2/4	If from skin must be in final package or labelled for human consumption. Cert. of FMD, BSE, CBPP & rinderpest freedom if natural casings.	iii) accept that trade in live cattle shall proceed on the basis of the OIE recommendations as outlined in Chapter 3.2.13. of the International Animal Health Code.	Nil	Directive 92/118 Decision 94/187	3	
- Pigs	Directives 92/118, 64/432 72/461, 72/462	H of A Act and Regs, Sec 40-52. Directive AH- 96-HPP-PHI- 02	2/4	If from skin must be in final package or labelled for human consumption. Cert. of FMD, BSE, CBPP & rinderpest freedom if natural casings.	iii) accept that trade in live cattle shall proceed on the basis of the OIE recommendations as outlined in Chapter 3.2.13. of the International Animal Health Code.	Nil	Directive 92/118 Decision 94/187	3	
Public health	Directive 77/99	Meat Inspection Act & Regs. Food and Drugs Act & Regs.	Yes (2)	Temperature of 10° to be observed See horizontal issues		Meat Inspection Act & Regs. Food and Drugs Act & Regs.	Directive 77/99 Decision 97/534/EC	Yes (2)	See horizontal issues

-Commodity -Species -Animal/Public Health	European Community Exports to Canada				Canadian Exports to the European Community					
	Trade Conditions		Equiv. (Cat)	Special Conditions	Actions	Trade Conditions		Equiv. (Cat)	Special Conditions	Actions
	EC Standards	Canadian Standards				Canadian Standards	EC Standards			

18. Animal Casings not for human consumption

Animal health										
- Cattle - Sheep - Goats	Directives 92/118, 64/432, 72/461, 72/462	H of A Act and Regs. Sec 40-52. Directive AH- 96-HPP-PHI- 02	2/4	If from skin must be in final package or labelled for human consumption. Cert. of FMD, BSE, CBPP & rinderpest freedom if natural casings.	iii) accept that trade in live cattle shall proceed on the basis of the OIE recommendations as outlined in Chapter 3.2.13. of the International Animal Health Code.	Nil	Directive 92/118 Decision 94/187 Decision 97/534/EC			
- Pigs	Directives 92/118, 64/432, 72/461, 72/462	H of A Act and Regs. Sec 40- 52. Directive AH-96-HPP- PHI-02	2/4	If from skin must be in final package or labelled for human consumption. Cert. of FMD, BSE, CBPP & rinderpest freedom if natural casings.	iii) accept that trade in live cattle shall proceed on the basis of the OIE recommendations as outlined in Chapter 3.2.13. of the International Animal Health Code.	Nil	Directive 92/118 Decision 94/187			
Public Health	Directive 77/99/EC	Meat Inspection Act & Regs. Food and Drugs Act & Regs.		Temperature of 10° to be observed Horizontal Issue		Meat Inspection Act & Regs. Food and Drugs Act & Regs.	Directive 77/99/EC	Yes (2)	Horizontal issue	

-Commodity -Species -Animal/Public Health	European Community Exports to Canada					Canadian Exports to the European Community				
	Trade Conditions		Equiv. (Cat)	Special Conditions	Actions	Trade Conditions		Equiv. (Cat)	Special Conditions	Actions
	EC Standards	Canadian Standards				Canadian Standards	EC Standards			

19. Hides and skins										
Animal health										
- Cattle - Sheep - Goats	Directives 92/118, 72/461, 72/462	H of A Act and Regs. Sec 40-52.	2 E	Raw - Approved countries need cert. Unapproved require disinfection.	Consider acceptance of treatment of hides	Nil	Directive 92/118, Decision 97/168/EC	2		
- Pigs	Directives 92/118, 72/461, 72/462	H of A Act and Regs. Sec 40-52.	2 E	Raw - Approved countries need cert. Unapproved require disinfection.			Directive 92/118 Decision 97/168/EC	3		
Public Health										

-Commodity -Species -Animal/Public Health	European Community Exports to Canada				Canadian Exports to the European Community					
	Trade Conditions		Equiv. (Cat)	Special Conditions	Actions	Trade Conditions		Equiv. (Cat)	Special Conditions	Actions
	EC Standards	Canadian Standards				Canadian Standards	EC Standards			

21. (a) Canned Petfood containing mammalian high/low risk material										
Animal health	Directives 92/118, 90/667	H of A Act and Regs. Sec 40-52 Directive AH-PF-NAC-02	2/4	Special certification for BSE. Conditions depend upon product and origin.	Accept that trade shall proceed on the basis of the OIE recommendations as outlined in Chapter 3.2.13. of the International Animal Health Code.	H of A Act Manual of Procedures Nil	Directives 92/118 Decision 96/449 Decision 94/309 amended by Decision 97/199 Decision 97/534/EC	3	133°C X 20 min X 3 bar for high risk material of mammalian origin	EC to evaluate Canadian submission on microbiological standard of final products Ec to evaluate Canadian submission on BSE status

-Commodity -Species -Animal/Public Health	European Community Exports to Canada					Canadian Exports to the European Community				
	Trade Conditions		Equiv. (Cat)	Special Conditions	Actions	Trade Conditions		Equiv. (Cat)	Special Conditions	Actions
	EC Standards	Canadian Standards				Canadian Standards	EC Standards			

21. (b) Canned Petfood containing non-mammalian high/low risk material										
Animal health	Directives 92/118, 90/667	H of A Act and Regs. Sec 40-52 Directive AH-PF-NAC-02	2/4	Conditions depend upon product and origin.		H of A Act Manual of Procedures Nil	Directives 92/118 Decision 96/449 Decision 94/309 amended by Decision 97/199	3/2	Art. 3 Decision 97/199	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> . EC to evaluate Canadian submission on microbiological standard of final products . EC to evaluate additional guarantees for petfood containing non-mammalian high risk material . Canada to submit list of approved plants

-Commodity -Species -Animal/Public Health	European Community Exports to Canada				Canadian Exports to the European Community					
	Trade Conditions		Equiv. (Cat)	Special Conditions	Actions	Trade Conditions		Equiv. (Cat)	Special Conditions	Actions
	EC Standards	Canadian Standards				Canadian Standards	EC Standards			

22. Canned Petfood containing only low risk material										
Animal health	Directives 92/118, 90/667	H of A Act and Regs, Sec 40-52. Directive AH-96-PF-NAC-02	E	From BSE free regions only. Permit required. Specific directive.	Accept that trade shall proceed on the basis of the OIE recommendations as outlined in Chapter 3.2.13. of the International Animal Health Code.	H of A Act Manual of Procedures Nil	Directives 92/118 Decision 96/449 Decision 94/309 amended by Decision 97/199	2		EC to evaluate Canadian submission on microbiological standard of final products

23. Dry and Semimoist Petfood containing only low risk material										
Animal health	Directives 92/118, 90/667	H of A Act and Regs, Sec 40-52. Directive AH-96-PF-NAC-02	E	Conditions relate to animal source and disease risk. Permit required. Specific directive.	Accept that trade shall proceed on the basis of the OIE recommendations as outlined in Chapter 3.2.13. of the International Animal Health Code.	H of A Act Manual of Procedures Nil	Directives 92/118 Decision 96/449 Decision 94/309 amended by Decision 97/199	2		EC to evaluate Canadian submission on microbiological standard of final products

-Commodity -Species -Animal/Public Health	European Community Exports to Canada				Canadian Exports to the European Community					
	Trade Conditions		Equiv. (Cat)	Special Conditions	Actions	Trade Conditions		Equiv. (Cat)	Special Conditions	Actions
	EC Standards	Canadian Standards				Canadian Standards	EC Standards			

24.(a) Dry and Semimoist Petfood containing high/low risk material and/or processed animal protein derived from mammalian high risk material

Animal health	Directives 92/118, 90/667	H of A Act and Regs. Sec 40-52. Directive AH-96-PF-NAC-02	2/4	Can enter with permit as above. Permit required. Specific directive.	Accept that trade shall proceed on the basis of the OIE recommendations as outlined in Chapter 3.2.13. of the International Animal Health Code.	H of A Act Manual of Procedures Nil	Directives 92/118, Decision 94/344 Decision 96/449 Decision 97/534/EC	3	133°C X 20 min X 3 bar for high risk material of mammalian origin	EC to evaluate Canadian submission on microbiological standard of final products EC to evaluate Canadian submission on BSE status.
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24.(b) Dry and Semimoist Petfood containing high/low risk material and/or processed animal protein derived from non-mammalian high risk material

Animal health	Directives 92/118, 90/667	H of A Act and Regs. Sec 40-52. Directive AH-96-PF-NAC-02	2/4	Can enter with permit as above. Permit required. Specific directive.	Accept that trade shall proceed on the basis of the OIE recommendations as outlined in Chapter 3.2.13. of the International Animal Health Code.	H of A Act Manual of Procedures Nil	Directives 92/118, Decision 94/344 Decision 96/449	3	Art. 3 Decision 97/199	. EC to evaluate Canadian submission on microbiological standard of final products . EC to evaluate additional guarantees for petfood containing non-mammalian high risk material . Canada to submit list of approved plants
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-Commodity -Species -Animal/Public Health	European Community Exports to Canada				Canadian Exports to the European Community					
	Trade Conditions		Equiv. (Cat)	Special Conditions	Actions	Trade Conditions		Equiv. (Cat)	Special Conditions	Actions
	EC Standards	Canadian Standards				Canadian Standards	EC Standards			

25. Bones and Bone Products for human consumption									
Animal health									
- Ruminants and Horses	Directives 64/432, 72/461, 72/462, 80/215	H of A Act and Regs. Sec 40,44.	4		iii)accept that trade in live cattle shall proceed on the basis of the OIE recommendations as outlined in Chapter 3.2.13. of the International Animal Health Code.	Nil	Directive 72/462 Decision 91/449	4	
- Pigs	Directives 64/432, 72/461, 72/462, 80/215	H of A Act and Regs. Sec 40,44.	4		as above	Nil	Directive 72/462 Decision 91/449	4	
-Poultry	Directives 92/118, 72/462, 80/215, 94/438	H of A Act and Regs. Sec. 40,44.	3		as above	Nil	Directive 92/118	4	
-Wild game and farmed animal	Directives 92/495, 92/45	H of A Act and Regs. Sec. 40,44.	4		as above	Nil	Directive 91/495,92/45	4	

-Commodity	European Community Exports to Canada					Canadian Exports to the European Community				
	Trade Conditions		Equiv. (Cat)	Special Conditions	Actions	Trade Conditions		Equiv. (Cat)	Special Conditions	Actions
	EC Standards	Canadian Standards				Canadian Standards	EC Standards			

25. Bones and Bone Products for human consumption										
Public health	Directive 77/99 64/433	Meat Inspection Act & Regs. Food and Drugs Act & Regs. Consumer Packaging and Labelling Act & Regs. (if packaged for retail sale)	NE			Meat Inspection Act & Regs. Food and Drugs Act & Regs. Consumer Packaging and Labelling Act & Regs (if packaged for retail)	Directive 77/99,92/11 8 Decision 97/534/EC	NE		EC to examine Canadian submission on BSE status

-Commodity -Species -Animal/Public Health	European Community Exports to Canada					Canadian Exports to the European Community				
	Trade Conditions		Equiv. (Cat)	Special Conditions	Actions	Trade Conditions		Equiv. (Cat)	Special Conditions	Actions
	EC Standards	Canadian Standards				Canadian Standards	EC Standards			

26. Bones, horns and hooves and their Products not for human consumption (except meals)										
Animal health	Directive 92/118, 90/667	H of A Act and Regs. Sec 40,44,45. Directive 90-03-AP-18 (under review)	E	Hooves under Directive AH-96-PF-NAC-02.		Nil	Directive 92/118, 90/667 Decisions 94/446 as amended by Decision 97/197 Decision 97/534/EC	2		EC to examine Canadian submission on BSE status

-Commodity -Species -Animal/Public Health	European Community Exports to Canada				Canadian Exports to the European Community					
	Trade Conditions		Equiv. (Cat)	Special Conditions	Actions	Trade Conditions		Equiv. (Cat)	Special Conditions	Actions
	EC Standards	Canadian Standards				Canadian Standards	EC Standards			

27. Processed Animal Protein for human consumption ("other products" as defined in 77/99/EEC)

Animal health										
Ruminants/ horses	Directives 64/432, 72/461, 72/462 80/215	H of A Act and Regs. Sec 40, 41,43. directive AH- 96-HPP-PHT-- 02	1	If highly processed and labelled for human consumption, needs no permit.	iii)accept that trade in live cattle shall proceed on the basis of the OIE recommendations as outlined in Chapter 3.2.13. of the International Animal Health Code.	Nil	Directive 72/462 Decision 91/449	2		
- Pigs	Directives 64/432, 72/461, 72/462 80/215	H of A Act and Regs, Sec 40,41. Directive AH- 96-HPP-PHT- 02	1	If highly processed and labelled for human consumption, needs no permit. BSE Rules	as above	Nil	Directive 72/462 Decision 91/449	2		
- Poultry	Directives 92/118, 72/462, 80/215, 94/438	H of A Act and Regs. Sec. 40,41. Directive AH- 96-HPP-PHT- 02	1	If highly processed and labelled for human consumption, needs no permit.	as above	Nil	Directive 92/118	2		

-Commodity -Species -Animal/Public Health	European Community Exports to Canada					Canadian Exports to the European Community				
	Trade Conditions		Equiv. (Cat)	Special Conditions	Actions	Trade Conditions		Equiv. (Cat)	Special Conditions	Actions
	EC Standards	Canadian Standards				Canadian Standards	EC Standards			

27. Processed Animal Protein for human consumption ("other products" as defined in 77/99/EEC)

Animal health										
- Wild game and farmed game	Directives 92/495, 92/45	H of A Act and Regs. Sec. 40, 41.	2	Need official zoosanitary cert.	as above	Nil	Directive 91/495, 92/45	3		
Public Health	Directive 77/99	Meat Inspection Act & Regs. Food and Drugs Act & Regs. Consumer Packaging and Labelling Act & Regs. (if packaged for retail sale)	NE			Meat Inspection Act & Regs. Food and Drugs Act & Regs. Consumer Packaging and Labelling Act & Regs. (if pkgd. for retail sale)	Directive 77/99, 92/118 Decision 97/534/EC	NE		EC to examine Canadian submission on BSE status

-Commodity -Species -Animal/Public Health	European Community Exports to Canada				Canadian Exports to the European Community					
	Trade Conditions		Equiv.	Special Conditions	Actions	Trade Conditions		Equiv.	Special Conditions	Actions
	EC Standards	Canadian Standards	(Cat)			Canadian Standards	EC Standards			

28. (a) Processed Animal Protein of mammalian origin not for human consumption (feedingstuffs)

Animal health										
- Ruminants	Directives 92/118, 90/667, Decision 92/562, 94/381, 94/382	H of A Act and Regs. Part V. Directive AH-REN-EQU-01	2/4 3/4	From designated countries free from List A diseases From non designated countries with permit. (Gelatin must be treated.)	iii) accept that trade in live cattle shall proceed on the basis of the OIE recommendations as outlined in Chapter 3.2.13. of the International Animal Health Code.	H of A Act Manual of Procedures AH-95-G-01 AH-95-HHP/PHT-01	Directive 92/118, 90/667 Decision 94/344 as amended by Decision 97/198 Decision 97/534/EC	3	133°C X 20 min X 3 bar for high risk material of mammalian origin Art. 3 Decision 97/199	. EC to evaluate Canadian submission on microbiological standard of final products EC to evaluate Canadian submission on BSE status

-Commodity -Species -Animal/Public Health	European Community Exports to Canada				Canadian Exports to the European Community					
	Trade Conditions		Equiv. (Cat)	Special Conditions	Actions	Trade Conditions		Equiv. (Cat)	Special Conditions	Actions
	EC Standards	Canadian Standards				Canadian Standards	EC Standards			

28. (a) Processed Animal Protein of mammalian origin not for human consumption (feedingstuffs)

Animal health										
- Non-Ruminants	Directives 92/118, 90/667 Decision 92/562	H of A Act and Regs. Part V. Directive AH-REN-EQU-01	2 3	Permit required unless in final packaging or in bulk for industrial use, human consumption, pharmaceuticals, lab use or pet food. Low risk countries only, disease freedom statement		H of A Act Manual of Procedures AH-95-G-01 AH-95- HHP/PHT-01	Directive 92/118, 90/667 Decision 96/449 Decision 94/344 as amended by Decision 97/198	2/3	133°C X 20 min X 3 bar for high risk material of mammalian origin Art. 3 Decision 97/199	. EC to evaluate Canadian submission on microbiological standard of final products . EC to evaluate additional guarantees for processed animal protein containing non mammalian high risk material . Canada to submit list of approved plants

-Commodity -Species -Animal/Public Health	European Community Exports to Canada				Canadian Exports to the European Community					
	Trade Conditions		Equiv.	Special Conditions	Actions	Trade Conditions		Equiv. (Cat)	Special Conditions	Actions
	EC Standards	Canadian Standards	Canadian Standards			EC Standards				

28. (b) Processed animal protein of non-mammalian origin not for human consumption (feedingstuffs)

Animal health	Directives 92/118, 90/667	H of A Act and Regs. Sec 40-52 Directive AH-PF-NAC-02	E	Conditions depend upon product and origin.		H of A Act Manual of Procedures Nil	Directives 92/118 Decision 96/449 Decision 94/309 amended by Decision 97/198		Art. 3 Decision 97/199	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> . EC to evaluate Canadian submission on microbiological standard of final products . EC to evaluate additional guarantees for petfood containing non-mammalian high risk material . Canada to submit list of approved plants
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-Commodity -Species -Animal/Public Health	European Community Exports to Canada					Canadian Exports to the European Community				
	Trade Conditions		Equiv. (Cat)	Special Conditions	Actions	Trade Conditions		Equiv. (Cat)	Special Conditions	Actions
	EC Standards	Canadian Standards				Canadian Standards	EC Standards			

29. Serum of Equidae										
Animal health	Directive 92/118	H of A Act and Regs. Sec 40,51.	2	Permit required. For lab use.	Nil	Nil	Directive 92/118 Decision 94/143	4		
Public Health										

30. Blood and Blood Products intended for human consumption ("other products" as defined in 77/99 EEC)										
Animal health										
- Red Meat (ruminants/horses) - Pigs	Directives 64/432, 72/461, 72/462, 80/215 Directive 91/494/EC 91/495/EC Decision 96/405/EC	H of A Act and Regs. Sec.40,51. Directive AH-95-G-01	2	Disease freedom statement and heat treatment. Depends upon whether in bulk or prepackaged.	Recognize regionalization of FMD Review BSE Rules	Nil	Directive 72/462, Decision 91/449 Decision 96/405/EC	2	Not regulated if freezing or refrigeration not required and if packaged for sale	
- Poultry	Directives 91/494/EC 91/495/EC 92/118, 72/462, 80/215, 94/438	H of A Act and Regs. Sec 40, 51. Directive AH-95-G-01	2	Disease freedom statement and heat treatment. Depends upon whether in bulk or prepackaged.	Recognize regionalization of FMD	Nil	Directive 91/494/EC 92/118 Decision 96/405/EC	2	Not regulated if freezing or refrigeration not required and if packaged for sale	

-Commodity -Species -Animal/Public Health	European Community Exports to Canada					Canadian Exports to the European Community				
	Trade Conditions		Equiv.	Special Conditions	Actions	Trade Conditions		Equiv. (Cat)	Special Conditions	Actions
	EC Standards	Canadian Standards	Canadian Standards			EC Standards				

30. Blood and Blood Products intended for human consumption ("other products" as defined in 77/99 EEC)										
Animal health										
- Wild game and farmed game	Directives 92/495, 92/45	H of A Act and Regs. SEc 40,51. Directive AH-95-G-01	2	Disease freedom statement and heat treatment. Depends upon whether in bulk or prepackaged.	Recognize regionalization of FMD	Nil	Directive 91,495,92/45,	2	Not regulated if freezing or refrigeration not required and if packaged for sale	
Public Health	Directive 77/99	Meat Inspection Act & Regs. Food and Drugs Act & Regs. Consumer Packaging and Labelling Act & Regs. (if packaged for retail sale)	Yes (2)	Temperature of 10° to be observed Horizontal issue	Discussion	Meat Inspection Act & Regs. Food and Drugs Act & Regs. Consumer Packaging and Labelling Act & Regs. (if packaged for retail sale)	Directive 77/99, 92/118 Draft	Yes (2)	Horizontal issue	

-Commodity	European Community Exports to Canada					Canadian Exports to the European Community				
	Trade Conditions		Equiv. (Cat)	Special Conditions	Actions	Trade Conditions		Equiv. (Cat)	Special Conditions	Actions
	EC Standards	Canadian Standards				Canadian Standards	EC Standards			

31. Blood and Blood Products not intended for human consumption										
Animal health	Directive 91/667 92/118 Decision 92/183 94/187	H of A Act and Regs. Sec. 40,51.	2	Need cert of origin from designated country, processing if non designated.		H of A Act Manual of Procedures Directive AH- 95-G-01	Directive 91/667 92/118 Decision 92/183 Decision 96/405/EC	2	Not regulated if freezing or refrigeration not required and if packaged for sale.	
Public Health										

-Commodity	European Community Exports to Canada					Canadian Exports to the European Community				
	Trade Conditions		Equiv. (Cat)	Special Conditions	Actions	Trade Conditions		Equiv. (Cat)	Special Conditions	Actions
	EC Standards	Canadian Standards				Canadian Standards	EC Standards			

32. Lard and Rendered Fats intended for human consumption ("other products" as defined in 77/99)										
Animal health										
- Red Meat (ruminants/ horses) - Pigs	Directives 64/432, 72/461, 72/462 80/215	H of A Act and Regs. Sec. 40. Directive AH-95-G-01	2	Specific directive and certificate of origin. Tallow exempt.	Nil	Nil	Directive 72/462 Decision 91/449,	2	Not regulated if shelf stable and packaged for sale	
- Poultry	Directives 92/118, 72/462, 80/215, 94/438	H of A Act and Regs. Sec 40. Directive AH-95-G-01	2	Specific directive and certificate of origin. Tallow exempt.	Nil	Nil	Directive 92/118	2	Not regulated if shelf stable and packaged for sale	
- Wild Game and farmed game	Directives 92/495, 92/45	H of A Act and Regs. Sec 40. Directive AH-95-G-01	2	Specific directive and certificate of origin. Tallow exempt.	Nil	Nil	Directive 91/495, 92/45	2	Not regulated if shelf stable and packaged for sale	

-Commodity -Species -Animal/Public Health	European Community Exports to Canada				Canadian Exports to the European Community					
	Trade Conditions		Equiv.	Special Conditions	Actions	Trade Conditions		Equiv.	Special Conditions	Actions
	EC Standards	Canadian Standards	(Cat)			Canadian Standards	EC Standards	(Cat)		

32. Lard and Rendered Fats intended for human consumption ("other products" as defined in 77/99)										
Public Health	Directive 77/99	Meat Inspection Act & Regs. Food and Drugs Act & Regs. Consumer Packaging and Labelling Act & Regs. (if packaged for retail sale)	Yes (2)	Temperature of 10° to be observed Horizontal issue		Meat Inspection Act & Regs. Food & Drugs Act & Regs. Consumer Packaging and Labelling Act & Regs. (if packaged for retail sale)	Directive 77/99, 92/118 Decision 97/534/EC	Yes (2)	Horizontal issue	

-Commodity -Species -Animal/Public Health	European Community Exports to Canada					Canadian Exports to the European Community				
	Trade Conditions		Equiv. (Cat)	Special Conditions	Actions	Trade Conditions		Equiv. (Cat)	Special Conditions	Actions
	EC Standards	Canadian Standards				Canadian Standards	EC Standards			

33. Lard and Rendered Fats not intended for human consumption

Animal health	Directive 92/118, 90/667	H of A Act and Regs. Sec 40. Directive AH-95-G-01	4 2	Specific directive and certificate of origin. Entry permitted case by case determined by risk.. Tallow exempt: From designated countries cert of origin, From others need permit and processing		H of A Act Manual of Procedures	Directive 92/118, 90/667 Decision 97/534/EC.	2	Specify Tallow for petrochemical industry. To be exempted. Not regulated if shelf stable and packaged for sale	EC to issue decision exempting those products from 92/118 and 90/667 EC to evaluate Canadian submission on BSE status
Public health										

34. Raw Material for feeding stuffs, pharmaceutical or technical use

Animal health	Directive 92/118 90/667 Decision 89/19, 92/183	H of A Act and Regs. Sec 40,51.	2	Glands and organs require certificate and disease freedom statement.	Nil	Nil	Directive 92/118 90/667 Decision 89/19, 92/183 Decision 97/534/EC	3		
Public health		Meat Inspection Act & Regs.				Meat Inspection Act & Regs.	Directive 97/1/EC			

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-Commodity -Species -Animal/Public Health	European Community Exports to Canada				Canadian Exports to the European Community					
	Trade Conditions		Equiv. (Cat)	Special Conditions	Actions	Trade Conditions		Equiv. (Cat)	Special Conditions	Actions
	EC Standards	Canadian Standards				Canadian Standards	EC Standards			

36. Apiculture Products for apiculture

Animal health	Directive 92/118	H of A Act and Regs. Part VI. Industry consultation.	2 4	Must be subjected to treatment ie; freeze drying, irradiation, vacuum packaging. Used hives or equipment prohibited.	Review conditions by 97-03-01	H of A Act and Regs. DC Manual of Procedures, Honeybee prohibition order. Directive AH-95-BP/PA-01 Section 57, H of A Regs	Directive 92/118 Decision 94/860	2 4	Bee products used for animal or human feed or industrial use is not restricted. Bee products used for bee feeding must be treated. Used equipment prohibited.	
Public health										

37. Game Trophies

Animal health	Directive 92/118 72/462	H of A Act and Regs. SEc 40,42.	2	Mounted - no restrictions Unmounted and raw - disinfection	Nil	Nil	Directive 92/118 96/500/EC	3		
Public Health										

-Commodity -Species -Animal/Public Health	European Community Exports to Canada					Canadian Exports to the European Community				
	Trade Conditions		Equiv. (Cat)	Special Conditions	Actions	Trade Conditions		Equiv. (Cat)	Special Conditions	Actions
	EC Standards	Canadian Standards				Canadian Standards	EC Standards			

38. Manure

Animal health	Directive 92/118	H of A Act and Regs. Sec. 46. Directive AH-96-FERT-01	4	From designated countries need cert of freedom from List A diseases. Non designated countries need permit		H of A Act and Regs.	Directive 92/118 Draft Decision 96/109/EC	4		
Public health										

39. Wool, feathers and hair

Animal health										
- Wool	Directive 92/118	H of A Act and Regs. Sec 42,52.	2	Statement of disease freedom, certificate. Must be clean.		Nil	Directive 92/118	2	Clean etc	
- Pigbristle	Directive 92/118 Decision 94/435	H of A Act and Regs. Sec 42,52.	2	Statement of disease freedom, certificate. Must be clean.		Nil	Directive 92/118 Decision 94/435	2	Clean etc	
Public Health										

-Commodity	European Community Exports to Canada					Canadian Exports to the European Community				
	Trade Conditions		Equiv. (Cat)	Special Conditions	Actions	Trade Conditions		Equiv. (Cat)	Special Conditions	Actions
	EC Standards	Canadian Standards				Canadian Standards	EC Standards			

40. Honey										
Animal health		Nil	E					NE		
Public Health	Directive 92/118						Directive 92/118	NE		

41. Frog's Legs										
Animal health		Nil	E					NE		
Public health	Directive 92/118	Food and Drugs Act & Regs. Consumer Packaging and Labelling Act & Regs. (if packaged for retail sale)	E			Food and Drugs Act & Regs. Consumer Packaging and Labelling Act & Regs. (if packaged for retail sale)	Directive 92/118 Decision 96/340/EC	NE		

-Commodity -Species -Animal/Public Health	European Community Exports to Canada					Canadian Exports to the European Community				
	Trade Conditions		Equiv.	Special Conditions	Actions	Trade Conditions		Equiv.	Special Conditions	Actions
	EC Standards	Canadian Standards	(Cat)			Canadian Standards	EC Standards	(Cat)		

42. Snails for human consumption										
Animal health		Nil (Plant Protection prohibition of terrestrial snails)	E					E		
Public Health	Directive 92/118	Food and Drugs Act & Regs. Consumer Packaging and Labelling Act & Regs. (if packaged for retail sale)	E			Food and Drugs Act & Regs. Consumer Packaging and Labelling Act & Regs. (if packaged for retail sale)	Directive 92/118 Decision 96/340/EC	E		

-Commodity -Species -Animal/Public Health	European Community Exports to Canada				Canadian Exports to the European Community					
	Trade Conditions		Equiv.	Special Conditions	Actions	Trade Conditions		Equiv.	Special Conditions	Actions
	EC Standards	Canadian Standards	(Cat)			Canadian Standards	EC Standards	(Cat)		

43. Egg Products intended for human consumption

Animal health	Directive 92/118 Decision 94/187	H of A Act and Regs. Sec. 34. Directive Ah-96-EGG-OVO-01	2/3	Need cert of origin from designated country, cert of treatment from non designated.		Directive AH-95-G-01	Directive 92/118 Decision 94/187 94/344	1		
Public Health	Directive 92/118 Decision 97/38/EC	Canada Agricultural Products Act, Egg and Processed. Egg Regulations Food and Drugs Act & Regs. Consumer Packaging and Labelling Act & Regs. (if packaged for retail sale)		Each shipment accompanied by produce and process certification signed by official government authority		Canada Agricultural Products Act, Egg & Processed Egg Regulations Food and Drugs Act & Regs. Consumer Packaging and Labelling Act & Regs. (if packaged for retail sale)	Directive 92/118 Decision 97/38/EC Decision 97/534/EC			Decision 97/534/EC applicable pending the definition of egg products EC to examine Canadian submission on BSE status

-Commodity -Species -Animal/Public Health	European Community Exports to Canada				Canadian Exports to the European Community					
	Trade Conditions		Equiv. (Cat)	Special Conditions	Actions	Trade Conditions		Equiv. (Cat)	Special Conditions	Actions
	EC Standards	Canadian Standards				Canadian Standards	EC Standards			

44. Gelatin for human consumption and technical use										
Animal health	Directive 92/118	H of A Act and Regs. Sec 40,45. Directive AH-96-HPP-PHI-02	2	From designated countries statement of FMD freedom, from non designated treatment.		Nil	Directive 92/118	E		
Public Health	Directive 92/118	Food and Drugs Act & Regs.	NE			Food and Drugs Act & Regs.	Directive 92/118 Decision 97/534/EC	NE		EC to examine Canadian submission on BSE status

ANNEX VI
GUIDELINES ON PROCEDURES FOR CONDUCTING AN AUDIT

1. General principles

1.1. Audits should be made in co-operation between the auditing party (the "auditor") and the audited party, (the "auditee") in accordance with the provisions set out in this Annex.

1.2. Audits should be designed to check the effectiveness of the controlling authority rather than to reject individual animals, groups of animals, consignments of food or establishments. The process can include study of the relevant regulations, method of implementation, assessment of the end result, including assessments conducted, as considered necessary, at establishments or facilities, level of compliance and subsequent corrective actions. Where an audit reveals a serious risk to animal or human health, the auditee shall take immediate corrective action.

1.3. The frequency of audits should be based on performance. A low level of performance should result in an increased frequency of audit; unsatisfactory performance must be corrected by the auditee to the auditor's satisfaction.

1.4. Audits, and the decisions based on them, shall be made in a transparent and consistent manner.

2. Principles relating to the Auditor

Those responsible for conducting the audit should prepare a plan, preferably in accordance with recognised international standards, that covers the following points:

2.1. the subject, depth and scope of the audit;

2.2. the date and place of the audit, along with a timetable up to and including the issue of the final report;

2.3. the language or languages in which the audit will be conducted and the report written;

2.4. the identity of the auditors including, if a team approach is used, the leader. Specialised professional skills may be required to carry out audits of specialised systems and programmes;

2.5. a schedule of meetings with officials and visits to establishments or facilities, as appropriate. The identity of establishments or facilities to be visited should be stated in advance, although additional or alternate facilities may be visited during the audit if it is considered necessary;

2.6. subject to provisions on freedom of information, respect of commercial confidentiality shall be observed by the auditor. Conflicts of interest must be avoided;

2.7. respect of the rules governing occupational health and safety.

This plan should be reviewed in advance with representatives of the auditee.

3. Principles relating to the Auditee

The following principles apply to actions taken by the auditee, in order to facilitate audit.

3.1. The auditee must co-operate fully with the auditor and should nominate personnel responsible for this task. Co-operation may include, for example:

- * access to all relevant regulations and standards;
- * access to compliance programmes and appropriate records and documents;
- * access to audit and inspection reports
- * documentation concerning corrective actions and sanctions;
- * facilitating entry to establishments or facilities.

3.2. The auditee must operate a documented programme to demonstrate to the auditor that standards are being met on a consistent and uniform basis.

4. Procedures

4.1. Opening meeting

An opening meeting should be held between representatives of both parties. At this meeting the auditor will be responsible for reviewing the audit plan and confirming that adequate resources, documentation, and any other necessary facilities are available for conducting the audit.

4.2. Document Review

The document review may consist of a review of the documents and records referred to in paragraph 3.1, the structures and powers of the auditee, and any relevant changes to food inspection and certification systems since the adoption of this Agreement or since the previous audit, with emphasis on the implementation of elements of the system of inspection and certification for animals or products of interest. This may include an examination of relevant inspection and certification records and documents.

4.3. On-site Verification

4.3.1. The decision to include this step should be based upon an assessment of risk, taking into account factors such as the animals or products concerned, the history of conformity with requirements by the industry sector or exporting country, the volume of product produced and imported or exported, changes in infrastructure and the nature of the inspection and certification systems.

4.3.2. On-site verification may involve visits, which may be unannounced, to production and manufacturing facilities, food handling or storage areas and control laboratories to check on compliance with the information contained in the documentary material referred to in 4.2.

4.4. Follow-up Audit

Where a follow-up audit is being conducted in order to verify the correction of deficiencies, it may be sufficient to examine only those points which have been found to require correction.

5. Working Documents

Working documents may include checklists of elements to evaluate, such as the following:

- * legislation;
- * structure and operations of inspection and certification services;
- * establishment details and working procedures (including any HACCP documentation);
- * health statistics, sampling plans and results;
- * compliance action and procedures;
- * reporting and complaint procedures; and
- * training programmes.

6. Closing Meeting

A closing meeting shall be held between representatives of both Parties. At this meeting the auditor will present the findings of the audit. The information should be presented in a clear, concise manner so that the conclusions of the audit are clearly understood.

The Parties may discuss specific actions to be taken as a result of the findings.

7. Audit Report

The auditor shall provide the auditee with a draft report of the audit generally within 60 days of the conclusion of the audit. To the extent possible, the report shall be presented in a standardised format to be agreed upon by the Parties in order to make the approach to audit more uniform, transparent and efficient. The report will assess the adequacy of the auditee's enforcement and control programme and identify any deficiencies noted during the conduct of the audit. Thereafter, the auditee may within 60 days comment on the draft report and shall describe any specific corrective actions that will be taken, preferably with target dates for completion. Any comments made by the auditee shall be included in the final report.

ANNEX VII
CERTIFICATION

Official health certificates will cover consignments of live animals and/or animal products being traded between the Parties.

Health attestations:

(to be completed)

**ANNEX VIII
FRONTIER CHECKS
FREQUENCIES OF FRONTIER CHECKS ON CONSIGNMENTS
OF LIVE ANIMALS AND ANIMAL PRODUCTS**

The Parties may modify any frequency rate, within their responsibilities, as appropriate, taking into account the nature of any checks applied by the exporting Party prior to export, the importing Party's past experience with products imported from the exporting Party, any progress made toward the recognition of equivalence, or as a result of other actions or consultations provided for in this Agreement.

TYPE OF FRONTIER CHECK	MAXIMUM FREQUENCY RATE
1. Documentary Both Parties will perform documentary checks	100%
2. Physical Checks	
<u>Live Animals</u>	100%
<u>Semen/Embryos/Ova</u>	100%
<u>Animal products for human consumption</u>	
Fresh meat including offal, and products of the bovine, ovine, caprine, porcine and equine species defined in Council Directive 92/5/EEC)
Whole eggs)
Lard and rendered fats)
Animal casings)
Gelatin)
Poultry meat and poultry meat products)
Rabbit meat, game meat (wild/farmed) and products)10%
Milk and milk products)
Egg products)
Honey)
Bone and bone products)
Meat preparations and minced meat)
Frogs' legs and snails)
)
)

TYPE OF FRONTIER CHECK	MAXIMUM FREQUENCY RATE
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<u>Animal Products not for human consumption</u>	
Lard and rendered fats)
Animal casings)
Milk and milk products)
Gelatin)
Bones and bone products)
Hides and skins ungulates)
Game trophies)10%
Processed petfood)
Raw material for the manufacture of petfood)
Raw material, blood, blood products, glands and organs for pharmaceutical/technical use)
Processed animal protein (packaged))
)
Bristles, wool, hair and feathers	
Horns, horn products, hooves and hoof products	[100%]
Apiculture products	[100%]
	[100%]
Hatching eggs	
	[100%]
Manure (no trade)	
Hay and straw (no trade)	
<u>Processed animal protein not for human consumption (bulked)</u>	100% for the first 6 consignments (as per Council Directive 92/118/EEC), then 20%
<u>Live bivalve molluscan shellfish</u>	10%
<u>Fish and fishery products for human consumption</u>	10%
Fish products in hermetically sealed containers intended to render them stable at ambient temperatures, fresh and frozen fish and dry and/or salted fisheries products. Other fishery products.	

For the purposes of this Agreement, "consignment" means a quantity of products of the same type, covered by the same health certificate or document, conveyed by the same means of transport, consigned by a single consignee and originating from the same exporting party or part of such party.

**ANNEX IX
OUTSTANDING ISSUES**

1. The Parties agree that the following areas are to be addressed, as part of a work programme, in order to explore the possibility of achieving equivalency on the following items:
 - contaminants (including microbiological standards)
 - food additives
 - animal feeding stuffs
 - medicated feeds and premixes
 - labelling of foodstuffs
 - nutritional labelling
 - flavours
 - processing aids
 - chemicals originating from the migration of substances from packaging materials
 - irradiation
 - sanitary stamps
 - zootechnical standards

2. Canada has submitted a document outlining a proposed model for a risk based import inspection model. There is agreement between the Parties to explore the possibility of implementing this approach.

ANNEX X

CONTACT POINTS FOR THE ADMINISTRATION OF THIS AGREEMENT

A Party may unilaterally amend its section of this Annex. Such amendments shall be notified to the other Party without delay, and shall come into force on the date specified in the notification, but shall not come into force prior to the date of the notification.

Pursuant to Article 15(3), the following are the contact points for each of the Parties.

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The [initial] contact point is:

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(32) 2 741-0698 (Agricultural Affairs Assistant)
(32) 2 741-0611 (Switchboard)
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Other important contacts are:

For matters related to agriculture and agri-food products:

Director General
Food Inspection Directorate
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