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Committee on Sanitary and Phytosanitary Measures

## Original: English

## NOTIFICATION

1.	Notifying Member: <u>SOUTH AFRICA</u> If applicable, name of local government involved:		
2.	<b>Agency responsible:</b> Department of Agriculture, Forestry and Fisheries, Directorate Animal Health		
3.	Products covered (provide tariff item number(s) as specified in national schedules deposited with the WTO; ICS numbers should be provided in addition, where applicable): Cattle, sheep and goats - HS Code(s): 01; ICS Code(s): 65		
4. Regions or countries likely to be affected, to the		ons or countries likely to be affected, to the extent relevant or practicable:	
	[]	All trading partners	
	[X]	Specific regions or countries: Botswana, Lesotho, Namibia, Swaziland	
5.	<b>Title of the notified document:</b> Draft veterinary health certificates for the import of cattle, sheep and goats from Botswana, Lesotho, Namibia and Swaziland <b>Language(s):</b> English <b>Number of pages:</b> 24		
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6.	Description of content: Alignment of the import requirements for cattle, sheep and		
	goats from Botswana, Namibia, Lesotho and Swaziland with the applicable international guidelines as stipulated by the OIE.		
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7.	Objective and rationale: [] food safety, [X] animal health, [] plant protection, [X] protect humans from animal/plant pest or disease, [] protect territory from other damage from pests.		
8.	Is the	Is there a relevant international standard? If so, identify the standard:	
	[]	Codex Alimentarius Commission (e.g. title or serial number of Codex standard or related text)	
	[X]	World Organization for Animal Health (OIE) (e.g. Terrestrial or Aquatic Animal Health Code, chapter number) Terrestrial Animal Health Code (2014) Chapters: 8.1; 8.4; 8.8; 8.12; 8.13; 11.3; 11.4; 11.5; 11.7; 11.8; 11.10; 11.13; 14.1; 14.3; 14.5; 14.6; 14.7; 14.8; 14.9	

- [] International Plant Protection Convention (e.g. ISPM number)
- [] None

Does this proposed regulation conform to the relevant international standard? [X] Yes [] No

If no, describe, whenever possible, how and why it deviates from the international standard:

- **9.** Other relevant documents and language(s) in which these are available: Government Gazette Notice No. 38701 Vol. 598 17 April 2015 (available in English)
- **10. Proposed date of adoption (***dd/mm/yy***):** Anticipated February/March 2016.

Proposed date of publication (dd/mm/yy): To be determined.

- **11.** Proposed date of entry into force: [X] Six months from date of publication, and/or (*dd/mm/yy*):
  - [] Trade facilitating measure
- 12. Final date for comments: [X] Sixty days from the date of circulation of the notification and/or (*dd/mm/yy*): 8 January 2016

Agency or authority designated to handle comments: [] National Notification Authority, [X] National Enquiry Point. Address, fax number and e-mail address (if available) of other body:

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**13.** Text(s) available from: [] National Notification Authority, [X] National Enquiry Point. Address, fax number and e-mail address (if available) of other body:

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