

12 May 2022

Meat and Egg Traders

Dear Sir/Madam

[A] H5N1 HIGHLY PATHOGENIC AVIAN INFLUENZA (HPAI) IN DEPARTMENT OF CHARENTE, FRANCE

[B] RESUMPTION OF IMPORT OF POULTRY AND POULTRY PRODUCTS FROM DEPARTMENT OF NORD DUE TO LIFTING OF HPAI RESTRICTIONS

France reported outbreak of H5N1 in the department of Charente. In addition, HPAI outbreak in department of Nord has been resolved.

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2 In view of the outbreak, the National Parks Board/Animal & Veterinary Service (NParks/AVS) has imposed a temporary restriction on the importation of poultry and poultry products from the department of Charente. Heat-treated poultry products which comply with the OIE guidelines for inactivation of Avian Influenza virus will not be subjected to the restriction.

3 Poultry consignments exported from Department of Charente before 4 May 2022 and slaughtered before 20 April 2022 will continue to be accepted for import.

4 In order to facilitate the clearance of permits for poultry and poultry products, we would require the following attestations to be included in the veterinary health certificate accompanying the import of poultry and poultry products:

- (a) Highly pathogenic avian influenza (HPAI) is a notifiable disease in France.
- (b) The birds from which the meat was sourced were not vaccinated against avian influenza (AI).
- (c) The poultry and poultry products were not derived from birds originating from the department of Charente, Aveyron, Lot-et-Garonne, Haute Vienne, Corrèze, Dordogne, Finistère, Cantal, Morbihan, Lot, Ile-et-Vilaine, Loire Atlantique, Maine et Loire, Deux-Sèvres, Seine-Maritime, Vendée, Hautes Pyrénées, Gers, Landes and Pyrénées-Atlantiques.



- (d) The poultry from which the meat was derived were born, raised, and slaughtered in France, or were legally imported as day old chicks from countries with equivalent poultry health status.

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5 We are pleased to inform you that the restrictions on the import of poultry and poultry products from the department of Nord, as notified in our circular of 3 December 2021, is lifted with immediate effect.

6 Please contact www.sfa.gov.sg/feedback should you have any enquiries on the import of poultry and poultry products.

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