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Meat and Egg Traders

Dear Sir/Madam

HIGHLY PATHOGENIC AVIAN INFLUENZA (H5N1) IN GERMANY

Germany reported an outbreak of H5N1 highly pathogenic avian influenza (HPAI) in poultry in Hesse, Germany.

2 In view of the outbreak, the National Parks Board/Animal & Veterinary Service (NParks/AVS) will impose a temporary restriction on the importation of ornamental birds, poultry, poultry products from the 10km surveillance zone around the affected premises in Hesse, Germany, with effect from 9 November 2022. Heat-treated poultry products which comply with the WOAHP guidelines for inactivation of AI virus will not be subjected to the restriction.

3 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 Germany.

(b) The birds from which the meat was sourced were not vaccinated against avian influenza (AI).

(c) The poultry meat and meat products were not derived from birds originating from (an) establishment(s) situated in a 10 km radius surveillance zone around a highly pathogenic avian influenza affected farm.

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

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

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