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Meat Traders

Dear Sir/Madam

### **HIGHLY PATHOGENIC AVIAN INFLUENZA IN CHILE**

Chile reported an outbreak of highly pathogenic avian influenza (HPAI) in poultry in the commune of Rancagua, province of Cachapoal, Region of O'Higgins, Chile.

2 In view of the outbreak, the National Parks Board/Animal & Veterinary Service (NParks/AVS) has imposed a temporary restriction on the importation of ornamental birds, poultry and poultry products from Chile, with effect from 13 March 2023 (date of confirmation). 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 Chile.

(b) The birds from which the meat was sourced were not vaccinated against HPAI, as defined by the World Organisation for Animal Health (WOAH).

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

4 Please contact [www.sfa.gov.sg/feedback](http://www.sfa.gov.sg/feedback) should you have any enquiries on the import of poultry and poultry products.

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