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The Fresh Meat (Beef Controls) Regulations 1996

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Invocation of the Emergency Procedure: Yes

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5. Title

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6. Products Concerned

Bovine meat, meat products containing bovine meat, and bovine offals. (HS codes 0201, 0202, 0206 10, 0206 21-29, 1602 50, 1602 90)

7. Notification Under Another Act

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8. Main Content

These Regulations replace the provisions of the Beef (Emergency control) Order 1996 (Statutory Instrument 1996/961), as amended, by creating an offence of selling for human consumption meat derived from bovine animals slaughtered on or after 29 March 1996 in which, at the time of slaugther, there were more than two permanent incisors erupted, unless it can be shown by reference to certain documentary evidence that the animal at the time of slaughter was no more than two years and six months old.

9. Brief Statement of Grounds

This mesure replaces the Beef (Emergency Control) Order 1996, which was a temporaty public health measure under Section 13 of the Food Safety Act 1990. The UK Government considers that such continuing controls, which address the concerns identified by the Spongiform Encephalopathy Advisory Committee (SEAC), remain appropriate, in particular in view of the need to avoid the risk that lack of consumer confidence in the safety of beef might result in short term disruption and longer term damage to the structure of the market, and therefore to the interests of consumers.

The exclusion from the food chain of meat from older cattle has been approved at the EC level, and the Community is co-financing a scheme for th purchase and slaughter, with subsequent destruction, of the carcases of cattle over 30 months (Commission Regulation (EC) No. 716/96, Official Journal No. L99, of 19 April 1996)

10. Reference Documents - Basic Texts



EUROPEAN COMMISSION GROWTH DIRECTORATE-GENERAL

Single Market for goods Prevention of Technical Barriers

i. A copy of the drat Statutory Instrument is attached

ii. -

iii. -

11. Invocation of the Emergency Procedure

Yes

12. Grounds for the Emergency

The replacement of the Beef (Emergency Control) Order 1996, with more permanent legislation, is needed as swiftly as possible, given that this Order was introduced on 28 March as a temporary emergency measure.

13. Confidentiality

No

14. Fiscal measures

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