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Dogs: NZ-origin Military Working Dogs returning to NZ

CTO direction to biosecurity inspectors for the clearance of NZ-origin military working dogs from category 1 and 2 countries

Pursuant to section 27(1)(d)(iii) of the Biosecurity Act 1993 I, Marnie Thomas, Manager Animal Imports, Ministry for Primary Industries (under delegated authority), give the following directions for military working dogs to be given clearance in accordance with the following measures, different from those in the applicable import health standard: Import Health Standard for Cats and Dogs (CATDOG.GEN)]:

NZ-origin military working dogs returning to New Zealand from Category 1 or 2 countries may complete test and treatment requirements in post-arrival quarantine.

This CTOd applies to military working dogs only due to the lack of, and poor access to veterinary resources whilst these dogs are completing military operations.

All measures required in the Import Health Standard must be met before the dogs are given biosecurity clearance, so the risks will be mitigated.

This direction takes effect from the date of signing and continues in effect until amended or revoked.

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