Overseas Market Access Requirements Notification - Animal Products Act 1999 - Biosecurity New Zealand

Ref: AE-SB19L Date: 2 March 2005

OMAR B BIRHCSEC.SOL 02.03.05 - Day Old Chicks And Hatching Eggs (Commercial Consignments) To Solomon Islands.

1. Statutory authority

Pursuant to section 60 of the Animal Products Act 1999, I notify the following overseas market access requirements, entitled Day old chicks and hatching eggs (commercial consignments) to Solomon Islands.

This notice takes effect from date of signing.

Dated at Wellington this 8th day of March 2005.

Signed by Richard Ivess Acting Manager Exports MAF Biosecurity New Zealand (pursuant to delegated authority)

2. Solomon Islands Requirements

Day old chicks and hatching eggs (commercial consignments) exported from New Zealand to Solomon Islands must comply with the import regulations of the Solomon Islands listed in this notice as follows.

- 2.1 An official veterinarian authorised by the New Zealand Ministry of Agriculture and Forestry must certify after due enquiry the following:
- 2.1.1 New Zealand must be free of Newcastle disease (ICPI >0.2), avian influenza and Salmonella gallinarum.
- 2.1.2 The flock of origin of the hatching eggs/day old chicks to be exported must be under regular veterinary surveillance and be free from evidence of avian encephalomyelitis, infectious bursal disease, *Salmonella pullorum*, *Mycoplasma gallisepticum* and egg drop syndrome 76.

- 2.2 A declaration from the exporter must be provided stating the following:
- 2.2.1 The hatchery, parent flock, eggs and /or day old chicks are free from clinical signs of infectious and contagious diseases
- 2.2.2 The eggs or newly hatched birds have not been in contact with other animals or birds preceding embarkation
- 2.2.3 The day old chicks were placed directly in new shipping containers without leaving the hatching premises.
- 2.2.4 The fertile eggs for hatching were placed in new containers immediately following fogging with Techsan TC at the concentration of 1% solution.

3. Revocations

BIRHCSEC.SOL 03.02.04 – Day old chicks and hatching eggs (commercial consignments) to Solomon Islands is revoked and replaced by this OMAR notification.

4. Definitions

For the purposes of this document:

Any term or expression that is defined in the Animal Products Act 1999 and used, but not defined in this document, has the same meaning as in this Act.

Explanatory note

These overseas market access requirements are drafted on the current export certificate for the exportation of Day Old Chicks/Hatching Eggs (commercial consignments) to Solomon Islands dated 2 March 2005 which is based on the conditions notified in February 2001.

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- 1. An import permit is required.
- 2. These requirements are to be used for commercial shipments where the hatchery has been granted continuing or multiple entry permission. For one-off shipments from small unsupervised breeders certification including an owner/exporter statutory declaration and veterinary inspection of eggs/chicks prior to shipment is required. In this case use certificate BIRHSCEC.SOL.
- 3. Clause 2.1.1 refers to New Zealand as being free of avian influenza, this should be interpreted as highly pathogenic notifiable avian influenza as defined as an infection of poultry caused by any influenza A virus of the H5 or H7 subtypes, or by any AI virus with an intravenous pathogenicity (IVPI) greater than 1.2 (or as an alternative at least 75% mortality).