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DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE, ENVIRONMENT AND RURAL AFFAIRS - NORTHERN IRELAND

EXPORT OF BOVINE SEMEN TO THE ISLAMIC REPUBLIC OF IRAN

HEALTH CERTIFICATE: PART B

No:....

EXPORTING COUNTRY:

FOR COMPLETION BY:

UNITED KINGDOM

OFFICIAL VETERINARIAN

## IV. HEALTH INFORMATION (CONTINUED)

I, the undersigned Official Veterinarian, certify that:

- 13) Regarding BOVINE SPONGIFORM ENCEPHALOPATHY (BSE):
  - (a) BSE is a notifiable disease in the United Kingdom;
  - (b) the United Kingdom is recognised by the World Organisation for Animal Health (OIE) as a country with a Controlled BSE Risk status;
  - (c) according to the OIE, bovine semen can be traded without any concern, regardless of the BSE status of the country of origin;
  - (d) an effective surveillance and monitoring programme for BSE is being carried out in the United Kingdom, in accordance with the recommendations of the OIE;
  - (e) all cattle suspected of being affected by BSE are slaughtered and completely destroyed;
  - (f) an effective ban on the feeding of meat and bone meal of ruminant origin and other specified risk material to ruminants is in place in the whole of the United Kingdom;
  - (g) the donor bull was born after the date from which the ban on the feeding of meat and bone meal of ruminant origin and other specified risk material to ruminants has been effectively enforced;
  - (h) at the time of semen collection for export, the donor bull was not a confirmed nor a suspected case of BSE, nor was it showing symptoms of any other disease of the nervous system;
- 14) During the period of 12 months preceding the first collection and until 28 days after the last collection of the semen for export to Iran, all the animals at the Semen Collection Centre have been free from clinical signs of Brucellosis, Listeriosis, Enzootic Bovine Leukosis, Infectious Bovine Rhinotracheitis/Infectious Pustular Vulvovaginitis, Paratuberculosis, Rabies, Tuberculosis, Trichomoniasis, Bovine Genital Campylobacteriosis, Bovine Pleuropneumonia, Lumpy Skin Disease and Leptospirosis;
- 15) The semen described above is derived from donor bulls which have not been used for natural service while at the approved Semen Collection Centre;

- 16) The semen described above:
  - has been collected, processed and packaged separate from any semen from other bulls of a lower health status and all equipment used for collection, processing, packaging and freezing has been cleansed and disinfected before use;
  - b) has been diluted in semen diluent that has been prepared under hygienic conditions. Any products of animal origin used in the processing of the semen, including additives and diluent, are obtained from sources that present no animal health risk or have been so treated prior to use so that such risk is prevented;
  - c) has been treated during processing by the addition of antibiotics to produce these concentrations in the final diluted semen:

**\*EITHER:** not less than 500 µg per ml streptomycin, 500 IU per ml penicillin, 150 µg per ml lincomycin, 300 µg per ml spectinomycin

\*OR: an approved alternative combination of antibiotics with an equivalent effect against Campylobacters, Leptospires and Mycoplasmas, namely .....

Following the addition of the above antibiotics, the diluted semen has been kept at a temperature of at least 5 deg C for a period of not less than 45 minutes;

- d) has been stored in an approved Semen Collection Centre for at least 30 days before dispatch;
- e) has been placed in a \*new or \*previously cleansed and disinfected container, which does not contain bovine embryos or the semen or embryos of other species and which was sealed before dispatch under official veterinary supervision. The seal number is stated at paragraph III 3) above.

\* Delete as appropriate

Official Stamp

Signed ..... RCVS Official Veterinarian ..... Name in block letters

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