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DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE AND RURAL DEVELOPMENT NORTHERN IRELAND

EXPORT OF BOVINE EMBRYOS TO SOUTH AFRICA

No:.....

HEALTH CERTIFICATE

EXPORTING COUNTRY: UNITED KINGDOM

FOR COMPLETION BY: AUTHORISED VETERINARY SURGEON AND VETERINARY OFFICER

I. Information concerning:

a) the donor animals

	Registered name	Registration number	Species	Breed
Dam				
Sire				

b) the bovine embryos

- i) Number of bovine embryos:
- ii) Date of Collection:
- iii) Serial number on the shipping tank:
- iv) Tamper proof seal number applied to the shipping container:

c) total number of vials/straws covered by this certificate:

II. Origin of the embryos

a) Herd of origin of donor dam:

b) Name and address of establishment at which the embryos were collected:

- c) Name and address of owner of the donor dam:

III. Destination of the embryos

- a) Name and address of exporter:

- b) Name and address of consignee:

- c) Address of final destination of the embryos:

- d) Place of loading:

- e) Means of transportation and all available details of shipment:

- f) Import permit number(s):

- g) Serial number of seal on transport container:

IV. Information concerning the embryo collection team

- a) Registration number of embryo collection team:

- b) Name and address of approved embryo collection team veterinarian:

- c) Address of the approved processing laboratory:

V. Health Information

I, the undersigned, certify that:

- a) the embryos described above were collected by the officially approved collection team identified at paragraph IV b) above, and the collection procedures followed by the team were in accordance with the stipulations of the Manual of the International Embryo Transfer Society (IETS);
- b) the embryos were sired by bulls whose semen qualified for export to Republic of South Africa and who were continuously resident at an officially approved AI centre for a period of at least 1 month prior to collection, and in that time had not been used for natural mating;

- c) no outbreaks of Foot and Mouth Disease or Vesicular Stomatitis have occurred at, or within 20 kilometres of, the premises at which the donor bulls and cows were kept during the six (6) months immediately preceding the date on which the collections were made;
- d) the donor cows: -
- 1) were healthy and clinically free from diseases known to be transmitted via embryos, at the time of collection of the embryos,
 - 2)
 - i) originate from officially tuberculosis free herds;
 - ii) originate from officially brucellosis free herds;
 - iii) have passed, with negative results, a virus isolation test (immunoperoxidase test) for Bovine Viral Diarrhoea, on blood serum from a sample taken on the day of collection of the embryos;
 - 3) were not vaccinated against Foot and Mouth Disease;
 - 4) originate from the United Kingdom, a country in which:
 - i) BSE is compulsorily notifiable, and where affected cattle are slaughtered and completely destroyed, and suspect cattle are put under official restrictions;
 - ii) the feeding of meat and bone meal and greaves derived from ruminants to cattle has been banned, in accordance with the OIE Animal Health Code.
- e) the embryos:
- 1) were derived from females which
 - i) were born on or after 01/08/1996, the date from which the ban on the feeding of ruminant protein and mammalian meat and bone meal to ruminants is considered by the United Kingdom authorities to have been effectively enforced;
 - ii) were not BSE suspects, or the progeny of BSE suspects, at the time of collection of the embryos for export.
 - 2) were conceived by in-vivo fertilisation,
 - 3) were examined at not less than 50x magnification over the entire surface of the zona pellucida and found to be intact and free of adherent material; the embryos were not manipulated in any way.
 - 4) were washed, including trypsin treatment, processed, put into straws, frozen and the straws marked according to the guidelines laid down in Chapter II of the IETS Manual (1990).
 - 5) were not washed together in a group of more than 10 embryos and not washed together with embryos from other donors,
 - 6) are in cleaned and disinfected containers, filled with fresh, unused cryogenic material, and sealed under official veterinary supervision.

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SignedRCVS

Date:

Name in block letters

**.....
Approved Embryo Collection Team Veterinarian**

VI. Counter Signature

I, the undersigned, hereby certify that the signature above is that of.....RCVS, who is a Veterinary Surgeon approved by the Department for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs / The Scottish Executive Environment and Rural Affairs Department / National Assembly for Wales/Department of Agriculture and Rural Development for Northern Ireland.

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SignedRCVS

Date:

Name in block letters

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Whole time Veterinary Officer of the Department
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