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ATTENTION ALL IMPORTERS

RE: IMPORTATION OF LIVE POULTRY, BIRDS, MEAT AND OTHER PRODUCTS FROM ZIMBABWE TO SOUTH AFRICA: HIGHLY PATHOGENIC AVIAN INFLUENZA OUTBREAK IN ZIMBABWE

Dear Importer,

The Highly Pathogenic Avian Influenza (HPAI) outbreak in poultry in Zimbabwe refers.

It is our policy not to import any poultry / birds or products thereof from countries where Highly Pathogenic Avian Influenza occurs in domestic poultry.

The Directorate Animal Health of South Africa has decided to put trade restrictions in place on the import of live poultry, birds, meat and other products derived from poultry and birds from Zimbabwe into South Africa. The trade restrictions will apply to the entire country and will include the following commodities from Zimbabwe:

1. Live poultry, pigeons and other birds
2. Eggs (excluding SPF eggs)
3. Fresh (including frozen) poultry meat
4. Other poultry products not subjected to a process to ensure the satisfactory inactivation of the avian influenza virus (must be proven scientifically).

In addition, poultry products for own use may not be brought into South Africa.

No new veterinary import permits will be issued for any products mentioned under points 1-4.
Unused permits will be cancelled and importers must return those permits.

Thank you for your understanding and co-operation.

Kind regards

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ACTING DIRECTOR OF ANIMAL HEALTH

Date: 2017 -06- 0 2