



Ref: CTO 2013 093

Animal Products: Assorted Food

**CTO direction to biosecurity inspectors for the clearance of animal products (assorted food)**

Pursuant to section 27(1)(d)(iii) of the Biosecurity Act 1993 I, Nasser Ahmed, Senior Adviser (Animal Imports), Ministry for Primary Industries (under delegated authority), give the following directions for consignments pertaining to the below Permit to Import be given clearance in accordance with the following measures, different from those in the *Import Health Standard for Specified Foods for Human Consumption Containing Animal Products* (EDIPROIC.ALL; 15 October 2010):

**Consignment**

Consignments pertaining to MPI's Permit to Import 2013051963 only; must not be applied to other import permits.

**Equivalent Measures**

Equivalence with Clause 7.1 (a) of the above import health standard has been determined for these products. Dispensation is granted for meeting the requirement of providing a Manufacturer's Declaration stating that the products have been subjected to a retort process of Fo3 or greater.

Signed at Wellington this 5<sup>th</sup> day of December 2013

**Note**

Stephen Cobb of the Science and Risk Assessment Directorate has advised that Fo3 is the industry standard for achieving commercial sterility of retorted food. However, biosecurity risk organisms of concern to New Zealand are mitigated by retort processes that are lower than the Fo3 standard.