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**Egg Powder: Veterinary Certificate and Manufacturers
Declaration Different to the Model Veterinary Certificate**

CTO direction to biosecurity inspectors for the clearance of egg white powder from the European Union

Pursuant to section 27(1)(d)(iii) of the Biosecurity Act 1993 I, Vicki Melville, Manager Animal Imports, Ministry for Primary Industries (under delegated authority), give the following directions for egg white powder from Parmovo, Frazonione Sanguigna, Italy, to be given clearance in accordance with the following measures, different from those in the applicable import health standard for shelf stable dried egg powders or crystals from specified countries (POUEGGIC.SPE).

The Veterinary Certificate and Manufacturer's declaration provided is not based on the model Veterinary Certificate in the import health standard.

The Veterinary Certificate does contain the declaration that *the products herein were processed and handled in a manner as to prevent pathogen contamination in compliance with the EU provisions in force. The products were manufactured in an establishment approved by the competent authority under EC regulations No 852/2004, (EC) No 853/2004 and (EC) No 854/2004 and 882/2004, and that the product was pasteurised at a minimum temperature of 70 degrees Celsius for a minimum of 10 days.*

The manufacturer's declaration provided does not contain all the clauses in the model declaration.

It is considered, in this circumstance, the Veterinary Certificate and Manufacturer's Declaration provided will give an equivalent management of the risks associated with imported egg powder and can be accepted. This heat treatment is sufficient to inactivate risk organisms associated with this product. The importer has been advised to ensure that the Veterinary Certificate should be as per the model certificate in the future.

The reason for directing clearance is that the biosecurity risks associated with this CTO direction have been assessed and are managed effectively.

This direction takes effect from the date of signing and continues in effect until amended or revoked.