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Meat and Dairy: Border Clearance

CTO direction to biosecurity inspectors for the clearance of private consignments of meat and meat products, and private consignments of non-shelf stable dairy products and products containing dairy ingredients.

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

- 2.3, Private consignments of meat and meat products and
- 2.9, Private consignments of dairy products and products containing dairy ingredients that are not shelf-stable

to be given clearance in accordance with the following measures, different from those in the applicable import health standard Specified foods for Human Consumption Containing Animal Products:

- 2.3.1c, The country of *manufacture* (not origin) is clearly identifiable from the packaging. All other requirements remain unchanged.
- 2.9.1a,b The product does not need to be in commercial packaging or sealed on arrival. Requirements c and d are still in effect.

These changes do not change the risk profiles of the goods in question, they are clarity on packaging details for border staff to clear the goods.

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.