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To: * (TRADE)
Subject: To register in Ares: UECBV / BSE - Market access for EU meat - Request for a meeting

From: * (TRADE)
Sent: Monday, June 17, 2013 4:59 PM
To: * (TRADE); * (TRADE); * (TRADE)
Subject: For your comments: UECBV / BSE - Market access for EU meat - Request for a meeting
Importance: High

Dear,

Please find below a few lines on the meeting that we held with UEVCB last Friday.

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Meeting with UECVB (14.6.2013)

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Participants:

- Joe Hyland, CEO of the largest sheep meat industry in Ireland (Irish Country Meats Ltd), chairman of the UECBV sheep meat committee, vice chairman of the advisory group on sheep meat; and
- Jean-Luc Mériaux, UECBV secretary general.
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Topics discussed:

- Market access for EU meat in third countries – Priorities: BSE/TSE is still the main barrier. PRRS is also a barrier to entering into Australian and Indian market.
 - ** For veal the main priorities are: the US, [redacted]
[redacted]
[redacted] [Out of the scope of the request]
[redacted] indicated that recently the US submitted an application dossier to Sanco for the approval of peroxyacetic acid solution (PAA) for use during processing for the reduction of pathogens on poultry carcasses and meat.
 - ** [redacted]
 - [redacted] [Out of the scope of the request]
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- **: TSE is the main limitation for opening new markets. Need on including systematically sheep&goat together with bovine meat (BSE/TSE). Important to put the red meats under the same package. Otherwise sheep and goat may not be "big" enough to be taken into account by some third countries. Emphasis on the sustainable aspects of the sheep&goat production to minimise the disposal. Priority countries: the US,

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- EU priorities for the TTIP negotiations:
 - BSE is still the most important barrier. UECBV expects that it will not be rolled over once the negotiations starts. They are still confident that by end 2013 the BSE final rule will be out. However, ** indicated that there are rumours that the US may make the BSE rule stricter now that the US was upgraded to negligible BSE status at the OIE General Session of May and about possible linkages with the resolution of certain US offensive files. ** complained that TSE is not in the EU top priorities for SPS market access with the US. As a consequence, it may take some years to have the US market opened.
 - Extremely long and unclear procedures (e.g. regionalisation decisions – not alignment with OIE standards)
 - UECBV called for the setting of a fixed dialogue with COM - EU Businesses in technical SPS issues dialogue (e.g. lactic acid-hormones), as well as EU – US businesses associations for the TTIP negotiations. ** believes that the existing Vet Agreement may still offer valuable tools for agreeing equivalency agreements on certain areas. However, ** stressed that mistrust among competent authorities resulting from past experiences may limit the theoretical potential of the EU-US vet Agreement for improving the EU market access.
 - Cloning and its labelling – important to prevent new problems. No foreign country can guarantee that is clone-free. EU imports US embryos and semen derived from cloned animals. Therefore, EU may be hit back by the cloning proposal (in particular EU dairy sector, but also the EU imports of US beef). UECBV pointed out the importance of educating people in the EU and in the US about what would implementable and what would be out of reach.
- Role of DG Trade vis a vis DG AGRI and DG Sanco

From: * @uecbv.eu]
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Cc: * @uecbv.eu; 'Jean-Luc Meriaux'
Subject: TR: UECBV / BSE - Market access for EU meat - Request for a meeting
Importance: High

Madame,

Bonjour,

[All redactions in this page are made under art. 4(1)(b)]

J'accuse réception de votre courriel et vous remercie de votre prompte réaction.

J'ai le plaisir de vous confirmer la date du 14 juin 2013, à 10 heures.

Dans l'attente de cet entretien,

je vous souhaite une agréable fin de semaine.

Salutations distinguées,

Jean-Luc Mériaux

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Dear Mr. Meriaux,

We just spoke on the phone and realised the happy coincidence of crossing requests to meet [redacted]. Please find enclosed the mentioned reply to your request (of this morning) from my HoU.

As discussed on the phone, we are interested in discussing **overall SPS market access (export) priorities**, including the **USA**, and the possibility that UECBV makes a presentation in the coming meeting of the **SPS MAWG of 4 July** about these topics – and, in this context, of any other topic of UECBV's interest.

Have a GREAT weekend,

[redacted]

From: [redacted] (TRADE)
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Subject: FW: UECBV / BSE - Market access for EU meat - Request for a meeting

Bonjour Monsieur,

Suite à votre demande de rencontrer [redacted], j'ai le plaisir de vous proposer une réunion le 14 juin prochain, à 10.00, en nos bureaux situés Rue de la Loi 170. [redacted] sera accompagné de [redacted] de son unité.

Pourriez-vous me confirmer si vous êtes d'accord avec cet horaire?

Vous en remerciant par avance,

Salutations,



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pls arrange it...depending on and/or BSE expert availability
Tks, Z

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Dear ,

I should appreciate it very much if you could accept to have a meeting with UECBV representatives on Friday 14th June 2013 at the most convenient time of the day for you.

The topic will be:

- Market access for EU meat in the context of the BSE issue, and more especially for sheep meat and products thereof.

The UECBV representatives will be:

- Joe Hyland, CEO of the largest sheep meat industry in Ireland (Irish Country

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Meats Ltd), chairman of the UECBV sheep meat committee, vice chairman of the advisory group on sheep meat; and

- Jean-Luc Mériaux, UECBV secretary general.

I thank you in advance to consider this request

and look forward to hearing from you.

Best regards,

Jean-Luc Mériaux

Secretary General



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