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IMPORT HEALTH REQUIREMENTS OF TRINIDAD AND TOBAGO FOR SWINE EXPORTED FROM THE UNITED STATES

The animals must be accompanied by a U.S. Origin Health Certificate issued by a veterinarian so authorized by the U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA), and endorsed by a Veterinary Services (VS) veterinarian. The certificate shall contain the name and address of the consignor and the consignee and complete identification of the animals to be exported. Additional information shall include:

CERTIFICATION STATEMENTS

1. The United States is free of foot-and-mouth disease without vaccination.
2. The United States is free of African Swine Fever, Hog Cholera, and Swine Vesicular Disease.
3. During the 12 months prior to exportation, no cases of Vesicular Stomatitis have been reported to occur in the State of origin.
4. The animals for export are in good health and free of clinical evidence of infectious and contagious diseases with particular reference to viral pneumonia, vesicular exanthema, atrophic rhinitis, erysipelas, vibriotic dysentery, pseudorabies and transmissible gastroenteritis.
5. The animals have not been vaccinated for hog cholera.
6. After due inquiry, I am satisfied that the swine to be exported have not been fed garbage at anytime.

TESTS AND TREATMENTS

Within 30 days prior to embarkation, the animals were tested with negative results and/or treated for the following diseases:

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| 1. Brucellosis (<i>B. suis</i>): | standard tube or plate test. |
| 2. Leptospirosis (<i>L. pomona</i>): | microtiter agglutination test. |
| 3. Tuberculosis: | intradermal test. |

OTHER INFORMATION

1. At the time of embarkation the animals showed no clinical evidence of infectious diseases.
2. The animals were transported directly, without coming into contact with other animals, to the port of embarkation in clean and disinfected vehicles.
3. The import permit, along with the veterinary health certificate must be presented to the veterinary officer at the port of entry on arrival of the animals.