

## **Import Requirements of the Dominican Republic for United States Fresh Salted Hides of Bovine, Caprine or Ovine Origin**

The bilingual certification statements provided below are for the export of fresh salted bovine, caprine or ovine hides to the Dominican Republic and should be made in the Additional Declaration section on a VS Form 16-4, Export Certificate for Animal Products, and continuation sheet as necessary. Product description (product box on VS Form 16-4) should include the species of origin and the quantity of product being exported.

This office has on file a notarized affidavit from [insert company name] verifying the accuracy of the statements below: / *Esta oficina tiene en sus archivos una declaración juramentada de [nombre de la compañía] certificando la veracidad de las afirmaciones enunciadas a continuación:*

1. The animals from which the hides are derived are from farms which have a sanitary and production program under supervision of the animal health authorities in the United States or they were legally imported. / *Los animales de donde se derivan los cueros provienen de fincas que tienen programas sanitarios y de producción bajo la supervisión de las autoridades de sanidad animal de los Estados Unidos o han sido legalmente importados.*
2. The hides derive from slaughter facilities approved by the USDA Food Safety and Inspection Service. The animals were subject to ante- and postmortem inspection. / *Los cueros se derivan de establecimientos de sacrificio aprobados por el USDA FSIS. Los animales fueron sujetos a inspección ante y post-mortem.*

### **Additional requirements:**

The government of the Dominican Republic requires the follow additional documents:

- a. Notarized company declaration giving 1. Processing parameters (salting), to include number of days and type of salt or other equivalent preservative, and 2. Attestation of membership in a recognized industry group that products standards for good manufacturing practices for the product.
- b. Certificate of fumigation by licensed company in the state of production or export.