



Ref: CTO 2017 071 [B]

**Veterinary Certification for Casings from the European Union**

**CTO direction to biosecurity inspectors relating to the clearance of casings in accordance with the approved veterinary certificate 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 casings from the European Union to be given clearance in accordance with the approved veterinary certificate from Member States of the European Union. The approved veterinary certificate contains the following attestation, different from the *Import Health Standard: Natural Casings (Porcine/Ovine/Caprine) for Human Consumption from the European Union* (MEACASIC.EU dated 28 June 2012).

**Section IV Health Attestation** will be replaced with:

I the undersigned hereby certify that:

The animal products herein described comply with the relevant European Union animal health/public health standards and requirements which have been recognised as equivalent to the New Zealand standards and requirements as prescribed in Council Decision 971/132/EC, as last amended.

NOTE that Section V Additional Declarations/Guarantees remains the same and Section VI is no longer required in accordance with CTO 2014 138[B].

The reason for this direction is that the biosecurity risks associated with this commodity have been assessed and are managed effectively under the European Union/New Zealand Agreement on sanitary measures.

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