

2. In cases of serious and immediate concern with respect to public or animal health, oral notification shall be made immediately, and written confirmation should follow within 24 hours.
3. Written and oral notifications shall be made to the contact points set out in Annex X.
4. Where a Party has serious concerns regarding a risk to public or animal health, consultations regarding the situation shall, on request, take place as soon as possible, and in any case within 14 days of the request. Each Party shall endeavour in such situations to provide all the information necessary to avoid a disruption in trade, and to reach a mutually acceptable solution.

ARTICLE 13

SAFEGUARD CLAUSE

A Party may, on serious public or animal health grounds, take provisional measures necessary for the protection of public or animal health. These measures shall be notified to the other Party within 24 hours of the decision to implement them and, on request, consultations regarding the situation shall be held within 14 days of the notification. The Parties shall take due account of any information provided through such consultations.