3. Without prejudice to paragraph 2, the importing Party shall recognise regionalisation decisions taken in accordance with criteria as defined in Annex IV as the basis for trade from a Party whose territory is affected by one or more of the diseases listed in Annex III.

## ARTICLE 6

## **RECOGNITION OF EQUIVALENCE**

1. The importing Party shall recognise a sanitary measure of the exporting Party as equivalent if the exporting Party objectively demonstrates that its measure achieves the importing Party's appropriate level of protection.

2. Once determined, equivalence shall be applied in relation to individual or groups of sanitary measures for live animals or animal product sectors, or parts of sectors, in relation to legislation, inspection and control systems, parts of systems, or in relation to specific legislation, inspection and/or hygiene requirements.

## ARTICLE 7

## CRITERIA FOR RECOGNITION OF EQUIVALENCE

1. In determining whether a sanitary measure maintained by an exporting Party achieves the importing Party's appropriate level of sanitary protection, the Parties shall follow the process set out below:

(i) identification of the sanitary measures for which recognition of equivalence is sought;