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Subject: Comprehensive Economic and Trade Agreement between Canada, of the one part, and the European Union and its Member States, of the other part

Page EU/CA/Annex/en 115 shall be replaced by the attached page.

3. Until certificates on the basis of equivalence have been adopted, existing certification shall continue to be used.

Official languages for certification

4. (a) For import into the European Union, the certificate must be drawn up in at least one of the official languages of the Member State of the border inspection post of introduction of the consignment into the European Union; and

(b) for import into Canada, the certificate must be drawn up in one of the official languages of Canada.

Means of certification

5. The exchange of original certificate information may occur by a paper-based system or a secure method of electronic data transmission that offers an equivalent certification guarantee. The exporting Party may elect to provide electronic official certification if the importing Party has determined that equivalent security guarantees are being provided, including the use of a digital signature and a non-repudiation mechanism. The importing Party's agreement for the exclusive use of electronic certification can either be recorded through correspondence in one of the annexes to this Chapter or by correspondence in accordance with Article 5.14.8.
6. The European Union may set out its import certificates for live animals and animal products from Canada with an equivalence status referred to in Annex 5-E in Trade Control and Expert System ("TRACES").