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Subject: Export of Goats without Lymph Nodes

Relates to: Meat Manual 12, Part V

1. Background

1.1 The absence of lymph nodes in goats at inspection restricts the markets product is eligible for.

2. Aim

2.1 To reconfirm previous correspondence regarding markets for goat meat which require inspection of all lymph nodes.

3. Procedure

3.1 Product from female goats is ineligible for the EC market if the supramammary lymph nodes have not been inspected.

3.2 Product from male goats is ineligible for all markets other than the EC, Curacao, French West India, the Middle East, the Pacific Islands and South East Asia if the precrural and/or inguinal lymph nodes have not been inspected.

3.3 Product from goats **where** the supramammary or precrural lymph nodes were not present is acceptable for the local market.

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