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CONTAINMENT OF THREAT OF FOOT AND MOUTH DISEASE

Foot and Mouth Disease is a highly infectious viral disease of livestock (cattle, sheep, goats and pigs) which is not harmful to humans, but which may cause dramatic losses when it infects livestock populations.

The virus is transmitted by infected animals, but it can also be transmitted by **meat, meat products, milk, dairy products, hides, skins and animal trophies**, and subsequently infect susceptible animals which consume or are put in contact with these products.

Advice for Aerodrome Authorities/Licensees

It is no longer necessary to maintain disinfectant mats in place at premises including airports/aerodromes throughout the country.

Food bins must be retained as a permanent feature. In addition, existing signage is to remain in place until further notice.

Advice for Passengers/Crew.

It is necessary for any person who has visited a farm or other agricultural premises in Britain or Northern Ireland to contact a Department of Agriculture or Customs and Excise official immediately on arrival in the Republic of Ireland.

It is not permitted to import food products of any kind, including milk and sandwiches into the Republic of Ireland.

All persons are requested to co-operate fully by implementing these measures.

Further advice and assistance is available from the local District Veterinary Office of the Department of Agriculture, Food and Rural Development, or from a Customs and Excise official operating locally.

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