

Department of Agriculture, Food and the Marine.

Trader Notice: MH 25/2014

To: All Meat Industry Operators

**Subject: Ban on the import from EU countries into the Russian Federation
of trimmings, meat shavings, oesophagus meat and boned meat by-
products of all species****

This is to inform you that the veterinary authorities in the Russian Federation have written to the European Commission and advised them that the Russian Federation is banning the import from EU countries into the Russian Federation of trimmings, meat shavings, oesophagus meat and boned meat by-products (**) of all species as of 27.06.2014. The reason given is due to alleged findings of multiple cases of supplies from EU countries of pork under the guise of other commodities.

The Department of Agriculture, Food and the Marine is co-operating with the European Commission and other Member states in efforts to overcome this present difficulty which has arisen for Member States.

In the meantime, however, these products may not be included in any consignments for export to the Russian Federation until further notice.

(**): In accordance with the Customs Union Technical Directive “On meat and meat products safety”, ratified by the Eurasian Economic Commission Resolution # 68 from October 9, 2013 by-products include:

inner organs, head, tail, extremities (or their parts), meat trimming without blood, serous membrane and adjacent tissue as well as skin and intermammary part of pigs.

Meat Hygiene Section

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