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Dear Sir/Madam,

Briefing Session on

Import of beef, Pork and Mutton from European Union Member States

Currently, importers can make use of the European Union (EU) document, i.e. Export Certificate coupled with permission issued by Center for Food Safety (CFS) to import red meat (beef, pork and mutton) from animals born, raised, slaughtered, processed and packed in different eligible EU member states. Recently, the Food and Environmental Hygiene Department and the EU agreed to modify and extend the Export Certificate to serve as a dual purpose document, i.e. an "Export Declaration" for animals which were slaughtered, processed and packed in different eligible EU member states whereas a "Health Certificate" is for the animals which were slaughtered, processed and packed in the same eligible EU member state.

Table of EU member states eligible to export red meat to Hong Kong Special Administrative Region (as at 27 Jun 2017)

EU member states		Type of red meat		
		Beef	Mutton	Pork
1	Austria	Yes	Yes	Yes
2	Belgium	Yes	Yes	Yes
3	Denmark	Yes	Yes	Yes
4	Finland	Yes	No	Yes
5	France	Yes	Yes	Yes
6	Germany	Yes	Yes	Yes
7	Hungary	Yes	No	Yes
8	Ireland	Yes	Yes	Yes
9	Italy	Yes	No	Yes
10	The Netherlands	Yes	Yes	Yes
11	Poland	Yes	Yes	Yes
12	Portugal	No	No	Yes
13	Spain	Yes	Yes	Yes
14	Sweden	Yes	No	Yes
15	United Kingdom	Yes	Yes	Yes
16	Greece	No	No	Yes

Examples Applicable to the Dual Purpose  
EU document (Export Declaration)

	Member states	Member states	Member states	Member states
Animal born and/ raised	A	A	A	A
Animal slaughtered	A	B	B	A
Meat packed, processed, stored and shipped:	A	B	C (or A)	C (or B)
Documentation required for Hong Kong import	Health Certificate from A	Health Certificate from B	Export Declaration from C (or A) plus Permission in writing	C (or B)

A, B, C = EU Member states approved for export of the respective meat / meat product to Hong Kong. The official document must always come from the exporting Member State.