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Mexico's Requirement of Signature by Medical Veterinarian on U.S. Health Certificates Lifted

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Report Highlights:

The Secretariat of Agriculture, Livestock, Rural Development, Fisheries and Food (SAGARPA) will not require that the health certificates be signed by an official medical veterinarian of the the country of origin of the products exported to Mexico.

Includes PSD Changes: No Includes Trade Matrix: No Unscheduled Report Mexico [MX1] Through an official letter dated September 24, 2003, from the General Director of Agricultural Health Inspection of the Secretariat of Agriculture, Livestock, Rural Development, Fisheries and Food (SAGARPA) all Offices of Agricultural Health Inspection (OISA) located at the border points of entry to Mexico were notified to accept the original health certificate signed by a medical veterinarian or other professional official designated by the responsible authority of the country of origin of the products to be exported to Mexico. SAGARPA had indicated that it would require a veterinarian to sign all health certificates for meat products starting October 12th.