

**DECISION**  
**OF THE GOVERNMENT OF THE RUSSIAN FEDERATION**  
**NO. 159 OF MARCH 24, 2006**  
**ON THE APPLICATION OF VETERINARY MEASURES**  
**IN THE IMPORTATION OF LIVE ANIMALS AND PRODUCTS**  
**OF ANIMAL ORIGIN ONTO THE CUSTOMS TERRITORY**  
**OF THE RUSSIAN FEDERATION**

For the purpose of realising the tasks in the accession of the Russian Federation to the World Trade Organisation, the Government of the Russian Federation resolves the following:

1. Pending the adoption, as stipulated by the [Federal Law](#) on Technical Regulation (Sobraniye Zakonodatelstva Rossiyskoy Federatsii, 2002, No. 52, item 5140; 2005, No. 19, item 1752), of normative legal acts establishing obligatory requirements of veterinary safety with respect to live animals classified in [headings 0101, 0102, 0103, 0104, 0105, 0106, 0301, 0306, 0307](#) and [9508](#) of the Commodity Classification of Foreign Economic Activity of the Russian Federation and to products of animal origin classified in [headings 0201, 0202, 0203, 0204, 0205 00, 0206, 0207, 0208, 0209 00, 0210, 0302, 0303, 0304, 0305, 0306, 0307, 0401, 0402, 0407 00, 0408, 0409 00 000 0, 0410 00 000 0, 0502, 0503 00 000 0, 0504 00 000 0, 0505, 0506, 0507, 0508 00 000 0, 0510 00 000 0, 0511, 1501 00, 1502 00, 1521 90, 1603 00, 4101, 4102, 4103, 5102](#) and [5103](#) of the Commodity Classification of Foreign Economic Activity of the Russian Federation in their importation onto the customs territory of the Russian Federation, it shall be necessary to be guided by the veterinary requirements effective in the Russian Federation in so far as they are not contrary to the Sanitary Code of Land Animals of the International Epizootic Bureau of the World Animal Health Organisation.

2. To establish that if any veterinary requirements effective in the Russian Federation are contrary to veterinary requirements effective at the World Trade Organisation, then the norms of the Code indicated in [Item 1](#) of this Decision shall be applicable.

Chairman  
of the Government  
of the Russian Federation

Mikhail Fradkov