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The Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Republic of Singapore presents its compliments to the Delegation of the European Union to the Republic of Singapore, and has the honour to refer to the latter's note DELSGP – D (2020) 019 dated 26 March 2020 conveying a letter and its annex from Bernard Van Goethem, Director General for Health and Food Safety of the European Commission, with the request by the European Union to allow trade facilitating measures on health certificates used for EU exports of animals, plants and their products on a temporary basis due to the COVID-19 pandemic.

The Ministry has the further honour to convey the agreement of the relevant Singapore authority, National Parks Board (NParks), to the reciprocal recognition of scanned Sanitary and Phytosanitary (SPS) certificates based on the procedures listed in the table at ANNEX.

The Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Republic of Singapore avails itself of this opportunity to renew to the Delegation of the European Union to the Republic of Singapore the assurances of its highest consideration.

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Delegation of the European Union
Singapore

ANNEX

Trade	Procedure
Export of animals and animal products from Singapore to EU	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• NParks is agreeable to email scanned copies of health certificates to the BCP of the point of entry in the EU.• On request by the health certificate applicant, NParks will email the scanned health certificate to BCP of the point of entry in the EU.• NParks email contacts are:<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Jolene_CHAN@nparks.gov.sg• Elizabeth_HO@nparks.gov.sg• June_KOH@nparks.gov.sg
Export of plant and plant products from Singapore to EU	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• NParks is agreeable to email scanned copies of Phytosanitary certificate (PC) to the BCP at the point of entry in EU. (https://ec.europa.eu/food/safety/official_controls/legislation/imports/plants_en)• NParks will still issue original hard copies of the PC to our Exporters/Traders.• NParks email contacts are:<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Gloria_Ong@nparks.gov.sg (Ms. Gloria Ong)• Joice_Phua@nparks.gov.sg (Ms. Joice Phua)• Noemi_Gesmundo@nparks.gov.sg (Ms. Noemi Gesmundo)
Import of animals and animal products from EU to Singapore	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• NParks is agreeable to receive via email scanned copies of health certificates directly from the competent authorities.• The importer will need to notify NParks that they will require clearance of the consignment based on scanned EU health certificate at least 2-3 days prior to arrival of the consignment.• EU competent authorities may email the scanned health certificates to the following email addresses:<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Shella_Mae_FORRO@nparks.gov.sg• Rochelle_BATANAN@nparks.gov.sg• Alwyn_TAN@nparks.gov.sg
Import of plant and plant products from EU to Singapore	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• NParks is agreeable to receive via email scanned copies of the PC issued by NPPO of EU.• The importer will need to notify NParks that they will require clearance of the consignment based on scanned EU phytosanitary certificate in advance of 2-3 days.• EU competent authorities may email the scanned PC to the following addresses:<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Gloria_Ong@nparks.gov.sg (Ms. Gloria Ong)• Joice_Phua@nparks.gov.sg (Ms. Joice Phua)• Noemi_Gesmundo@nparks.gov.sg (Ms. Noemi Gesmundo)