Certification Requirements: Importation of Dairy Products into Barbados

The following certification statements should be provided on a VS Form 16-4 for the exportation of dairy products, such as ice cream, milk, milk powder, yogurt, and cheese, to Barbados. Although the statement (#1) referencing the manufacturing plant approval number (or numbers) is made on the basis of an affidavit, the exporter should provide supporting documentation regarding their approval. Product description (product box on VS Form 16-4) should include the species of origin, as well as the nature of the product.

"Pestis des petits ruminants does not exist in the United States."

"The United States has active eradication programs for tuberculosis and brucellosis, including monitoring and surveillance activities for susceptible species."

This office has on file a notarized affidavit from (insert name of company here) verifying the accuracy of the statements below.

- 1. The processing plant(s) from which the exported product originates is (are) approved and monitored by the U.S. Food and Drug Administration and/or the U.S. Department of Agriculture. Plant approval number(s):
- 2. The products were manufactured under hygienic and sanitary conditions in accordance with U.S. laws and regulations.
- 3. All ingredients used in the products were either U.S. origin or were legally imported into the United States.
- 4. Products were manufactured from milk that received a pasteurization treatment, or in the case of cheeses, were manufactured in a manner that provided equivalent health safeguards.
- 5. The milk or milk products used in the manufacture of the product were obtained from animals that appeared to be clinically healthy at the time of milking.
- 6. The products are freely marketed in the United States and are intended for human consumption.
- 7. The products have been packed in new containers in a manner intended to prevent contamination or spoilage.