

**ANNEX III**

**IN VITRO-PRODUCED EMBRYOS OF DOMESTIC ANIMALS OF THE BOVINE  
SPECIES FOR IMPORT,  
CONCEIVED USING SEMEN COMPLYING WITH COUNCIL DIRECTIVE 88/407/EEC**

**L-ANNESS III**

**EMBRIJUNI PRODOTTI IN VITRO TA' ANIMALI DOMESTIČI TA' L-ISPEČI  
BOVINA GHALL-IMPORTAZZJONI,  
KONĊEPITI BL-UŻU TA' SEMEN KONFORMI MAD-DIRETTIVA TAL-KUNSILL  
88/407/KEE**

**COUNTRY**

**Veterinary certificate to EU**

<b>Part I : Details of dispatched consignment</b>	1.1. Consignor <input type="checkbox"/> Name  Address Postal code				1.2.		1.2.a Local reference number:					
					1.3. Central Competent Authority							
					1.4. Local Competent Authority							
	1.5. Consignee Name  Address Postal code				1.6.							
	1.7. Country of origin		ISO code	1.8. Region of origin		Code	1.9. Country of destination		ISO code	1.10. Region of destination		Code
	1.11. Place of origin Embryo team <input type="checkbox"/> Name Approval number Address Name Approval number Address Name Approval number Address						1.12. Place of destination Holding <input type="checkbox"/> Embryo team <input type="checkbox"/> Approved body <input type="checkbox"/> Name Approval number Address Postal code					
	1.13.						1.14. Estimated date and time of arrival					
	1.15. Means of transport Aeroplane <input type="checkbox"/> Ship <input type="checkbox"/> Road vehicle <input type="checkbox"/> Other <input type="checkbox"/> Railway wagon <input type="checkbox"/> Identification: Documentary references:						1.16. 1.17.					
	1.18. Description of commodity						1.19. Commodity code (HS code)					
							1.20. Quantity					
	1.21.						1.22. Number of packages					
	1.23. Identification of container/Seal number						1.24.					
	1.25. Commodity certified for  Artificial reproduction <input type="checkbox"/>											
	1.26. For transit to 3rd Country vis-à-vis EU <input type="checkbox"/>  3rd country ISO code						1.27. For import or admission into EU <input type="checkbox"/> Definitive import <input type="checkbox"/>					
1.28. Identification of the animals/products  Species (Scientific name) Identification mark Category												

## PAJJIZ

## Ic-certifikat veterinarju ghall-UE

<b>Parti I : Dettalji tal-kunsinja mibghuta</b>	I.1. Kunsinnatur <input type="checkbox"/> Isem		I.2.		I.2.a. Numru lokali ta' riferenza		
	Indirizz Kodici Postali		I.3. Awtorita Centrali kompetenti				
	I.5. Destinarju Isem		I.4. Awtorita lokali kompetenti				
	Indirizz Kodici Postali		I.6.				
	I.7. Pajjiz ta' origini		Kodici ISO	I.8. Regjun ta' origini	Kodici	I.9. Pajjiz ta' destinazzjoni	Kodici ISO
	I.10. Regjun ta' destinazzjoni		Kodici				
	I.11. Pajjiz ta' origini/Pajjiz ta' hsaad Tim embrjoniku <input type="checkbox"/>		I.12. Post ta' destinazzjoni		Fond <input type="checkbox"/>		Tim embrjoniku <input type="checkbox"/>
	Isem		Numru approvat		Korp approvat <input type="checkbox"/>		
	Indirizz				Isem		Numru approvat
	Isem		Numru approvat		Indirizz		
	Indirizz		Numru approvat		Kodici Postali		
	I.13.		I.14.		Estimazzjoni tad-data u l-hin tal-wasla		
	I.15. Mezz ta' trasport Ajruplan <input type="checkbox"/>		Vaxxel <input type="checkbox"/>	Vagun <input type="checkbox"/>	I.16.		
	Vejkolu tat-triq <input type="checkbox"/>		Ohrain <input type="checkbox"/>	I.17.			
	Identifikazzjoni Referenzi Dokumentarji:		I.18. Deskrizzjoni tal-prodott		I.19. Kodici tal-Komodita (Kodici CN)		
				I.20. Numru/Kwantita			
I.21.				I.22. Numru ta' pakketti			
I.23. Identifikazzjoni tal-kontenitur/ Numru ta' sigill				I.24.			
I.25. Prodotti ccertifikati Riproduzzjoni artifizjali <input type="checkbox"/>							
I.26. Ghat-tranzitu fl-UE lejn Pajjiz Terz Pajjiz terz		Kodici ISO		I.27. Għall-importazzjoni jew l-ammissjoni fl-UE Importazzjoni definitiva			
I.28. Identifikazzjoni tal-prodotti Speci (Isem xjentifiku)		Marka ta' identifikazzjoni		Kategorija			

**COUNTRY  
PAJJIŻ**

**In vitro-produced bovine embryos  
Embrijuni bovini prodotti in vitro**

<b>Part II: Certification/ Parti II: Ċertifikazzjoni</b>	<p>II. Health information</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/></p> <p>Taghrif fuq is-sahha</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/></p>	<p>II.a. Certificate reference number</p> <p>Numru ta' referenza taċ-ċertifikat</p>	<p>II.b. Local reference number</p> <p>Numru ta' referenza lokali</p>
	<p>I, the undersigned, official veterinarian of the Government of</p> <p>....., (insert name of exporting country)</p> <p>Jiena, hawn taht iffirmat, veterinarju uffiċjali tal-Gvern ta'</p> <p>....., (dahhal isem il-pajjiż esportatur)</p> <p>certify that: <i>niċċertifika li:</i></p> <p>1.1. the embryo production team identified above:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- has been approved in accordance with Chapter I of Annex A to Directive 89/556/EEC;</li> <li>- carried out the production, processing, storing and transport of the embryos described above in accordance with Chapter II of Annex A to Directive 89/556/EEC;</li> <li>- is subject to inspection by an official veterinarian at least twice a year.</li> </ul> <p>l-iskwadra ta' produzzjoni ta' l-embrijuni identifikata hawn fuq:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- kienet approvata skond il-Kapitolu I fl-Anness A għad-Direttiva 89/556/KEE;</li> <li>- ipproċuciet, ipproċessat, hażnet u ttrasportat l-embrijuni deskritti hawn fuq skond il-Kapitolu II fl-Anness A għad-Direttiva 89/556/KEE;</li> <li>- hija sugġetta għall-ispezzjoni minn veterinarju uffiċjali għallinqas darbtejn fis-sena.</li> </ul> <p>1.2. The embryos to be exported were produced in the exporting country, which according to official findings:</p> <p>L-embrijuni għall-esportazzjoni ġew prodotti fil-pajjiż esportatur, li skond ir-riżultati uffiċjali:</p> <p>1.2.1. was free from rinderpest during the 12 months immediately prior to their production;</p> <p>kien hieles mir-rinderpest matul it-12-il xahar immedjatament qabel il-produzzjoni tagħhom;</p> <p>1.2.2.</p> <p>1.2.2.1. either was free from foot-and-mouth disease during the 12 months immediately prior to their production and did not carry out vaccination against foot-and-mouth disease during that period<sup>(1)</sup>,</p> <p>jew kien hieles mill-marda ta' l-ilsien u d-dwiefer matul it-12-il xahar immedjatament qabel il-produzzjoni tagħhom u ma laqqamx kontra l-marda ta' l-ilsien u d-dwiefer matul dak il-perjodu<sup>(1)</sup>,</p> <p>1.2.2.2. or was not free from foot-and-mouth disease during the 12 months immediately prior to their production and/or carried out vaccination against foot-and-mouth disease during that period, and</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- the embryos were produced without penetration of the <i>zona pellucida</i>,</li> <li>- the embryos were stored under approved conditions for at least 30 days immediately after their production, and</li> <li>- the donor females come from holdings on which no animal was vaccinated against foot-and-mouth disease during the 30 days prior to collection and no animal of a susceptible species showed clinical signs of foot-and-mouth disease during the 30 days prior to, and at least the 30 days after, the oocytes were collected<sup>(1)</sup>.</li> </ul>		

	<p>jew ma kienx hieles mill-marda ta' l-ilsien u d-dwiefer matul it-12-il xahar immedjatament qabel il-produzzjoni tagħhom u/jew laqqam kontra l-marda ta' l-ilsien u d-dwiefer matul dak il-perjodu u</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- l-embrijuni ġew prodotti mingħajr penetrazzjoni taż-żona pelluċida,</li> <li>- l-embrijuni nhażnu skond il-kondizzjonijiet approvati għal mill-inqas 30 jum immedjatament wara l-produzzjoni tagħhom, u</li> <li>- d-donaturi femminili ġew minn oqsma fejn l-ebda annimal ma tlaqqam kontra l-marda ta' l-ilsien u d-dwiefer matul it-30 jum qabel il-ġbir u l-ebda annimal ta' speċi suxxettibbli ma wera sinjali kliniċi tal-marda ta' l-ilsien u d-dwiefer matul it-30 jum ta' qabel, u mill-inqas it-30 jum ta' wara, il-ġbir ta' l-oociti <sup>(1)</sup>.</li> </ul> <p>1.3. The oocytes used in the production of the embryos to be exported were collected from donor females complying with the following requirements: L-oociti (ċelluli tal-bajd) użati fil-produzzjoni ta' l-embrijuni għall-esportazzjoni ngabru minn donaturi femminili konformi mal-htigijiet li ġejjin:</p> <p>1.3.1. The donor females:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- were kept in a bluetongue virus-free country or zone for at least 60 days prior to, and during, collection of the oocytes<sup>(1)</sup>;</li> </ul> <p>Id-donaturi femminili:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- inżammu f'pajjiż jew zona hielsa mill-vajrus tal-bluetongue għal mill-inqas 60 jum qabel, u matul, il-ġbir ta' l-oociti<sup>(1)</sup>;</li> </ul> <p>or/ jew</p> <p>1.3.2.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- were kept during a seasonally free period or protected from the competent vector <i>Culicoides</i> for at least 60 days prior to, and during, the collection of the oocytes, and the embryos were produced without penetration of the <i>zona pellucida</i>, except if the donors underwent a serological test to detect antibodies to the bluetongue virus group, carried out in accordance with the Manual of Diagnostic Tests and Vaccines for Terrestrial Animals between 21 and 60 days after collection and giving negative results and the embryos were stored for at least 30 days<sup>(1)</sup>;</li> <li>- inżammu matul perjodu staġonali hieles jew protetti mill-organizmu li jgħorr il-Culicoides għal mill-inqas 60 jum qabel, u matul, il-ġbir ta' l-oociti, u l-embrijuni ġew prodotti mingħajr penetrazzjoni taż-żona pelluċida, hliet jekk id-donaturi sarilhom test seroloġiku biex jiskopri antikorpi tal-grupp tal-vajrus tal-bluetongue, magħmul skond il-Manwal tat-Testijiet Dijanjostiċi u l-Vaċċini għall-Annimali Terrestri bejn 21 u 60 jum wara l-ġbir u rriżultaw negattivi għalih u l-embrijuni nhażnu għal mill-inqas 30 jum<sup>(1)</sup>;</li> </ul> <p>or/ jew</p> <p>1.3.3.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- underwent a serological test to detect antibodies to the bluetongue virus group, carried out in accordance with the Manual of Diagnostic Tests and Vaccines for Terrestrial Animals between 21 and 60 days after collection and giving negative results, and the embryos were stored for at least 30 days<sup>(1)</sup>;</li> <li>- sarilhom test seroloġiku biex jiskopri antikorpi tal-grupp tal-vajrus tal-bluetongue, magħmul skond il-Manwal tat-Testijiet Dijanjostiċi u l-Vaċċini għall-Annimali Terrestri bejn 21 u 60 jum wara l-ġbir u rriżultaw negattivi għalih, u l-embrijuni nhażnu għal mill-inqas 30 jum<sup>(1)</sup>;</li> </ul> <p>or/ jew</p> <p>1.3.4.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- underwent an agent identification test, carried out in accordance with the Manual of Diagnostic Tests and Vaccines for Terrestrial Animals on a blood sample taken on the day of collection or the day of slaughtering and giving negative results – the embryos having been produced, in the latter case, without penetration of the <i>zona pellucida</i><sup>(1)</sup>.</li> <li>- sarilhom test ta' identifikazzjoni ta' l-aġent, magħmul skond il-Manwal tat-Testijiet Dijanjostiċi u l-Vaċċini għall-Annimali Terrestri fuq kampjun tad-demem mehud fil-jum tal-ġbir jew il-jum tat-tbiċċir u rriżultaw negattivi għalih – u l-embrijuni jkunu ġew prodotti, fil-każ ta' l-aħħar, mingħajr penetrazzjoni taż-żona pelluċida<sup>(1)</sup>.</li> </ul>
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	<p>1.4.</p> <p>1.4.1. Within a 10-km radius of the premises on which the oocytes used in the production of the embryos to be exported were collected and processed, according to official findings there was no incidence of foot-and-mouth disease, bluetongue, epizootic haemorrhagic disease, vesicular stomatitis, Rift Valley fever or contagious bovine pleuropneumonia in the 30 days immediately prior to their collection and, in the case of embryos certified under 11.2.2.2, in the 30 days after their collection as well.</p> <p>F'raġġ ta' 10 km mill-post fejn l-oociti użati fil-produzzjoni ta' l-embrijuni għall-esportazzjoni ngabru u ġew ipproċessati, skond ir-riżultati uffiċjali ma kien hemm l-ebda inċidenza tal-marda ta' l-ilsien u d-dwiefer, tal-bluetongue, tal-marda emorraġika epizootika, ta' l-istomatite vezikulari, tad-deni Rift Valley jew tal-pleuropneumonite bovina kontagjuża fit-30 jum immedjatament qabel il-ġbir tagħhom u, fil-każ ta' embrijuni ċertifikati skond 11.2.2.2, fit-30 jum wara l-ġbir tagħhom ukoll.</p> <p>1.4.2. From the time of collection until 30 days thereafter, the embryos to be exported were stored at all times on approved premises within a 10-km radius of which, according to official findings, there was no incidence of foot-and-mouth disease, vesicular stomatitis or Rift Valley fever.</p> <p>Mill-hin tal-ġbir sa 30 jum wara, l-embrijuni għall-esportazzjoni nhażnu f'kull hin f'post approvat li skond ir-riżultati uffiċjali, f'raġġ ta' 10 km madwaru, ma kien hemm l-ebda inċidenza tal-marda ta' l-ilsien u d-dwiefer, ta' l-istomatite vezikulari u tad-deni Rift Valley.</p> <p>1.5. The donors of oocytes used in the production of the embryos to be exported: Id-donaturi ta' l-oociti użati fil-produzzjoni ta' l-embrijuni għall-esportazzjoni:</p> <p>1.5.1. were located, during the 30 days immediately prior to collection of the oocytes, on premises within a 10-km radius of which, according to official findings, there was no incidence of foot-and-mouth disease, bluetongue, epizootic haemorrhagic disease, contagious vesicular stomatitis, Rift Valley fever or contagious bovine pleuropneumonia;</p> <p>inżammu, matul it-30 jum immedjatament qabel il-ġbir ta' l-oociti, f'post li f'raġġ ta' 10 km madwaru, skond ir-riżultati uffiċjali, ma kien hemm l-ebda inċidenza tal-marda ta' l-ilsien u d-dwiefer, tal-bluetongue, tal-marda emorraġika epizootika, ta' l-istomatite vezikulari kontagjuża, tad-deni Rift Valley jew tal-pleuropneumonite bovina kontagjuża;</p> <p>1.5.2. showed no clinical signs of disease on the day of collection;</p> <p>ma wrew ebda sinjali kliniċi ta' mard fil-jum tal-ġbir;</p> <p>1.5.3. spent the six months immediately prior to collection within the territory of the exporting country in no more than two herds:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>– which, according to official findings, were free from tuberculosis during that time,</li> <li>– which, according to official findings, were free from brucellosis during that time,</li> <li>– which were free from enzootic bovine leukosis or in which no animal showed clinical signs of enzootic bovine leukosis during the previous three years,</li> <li>– in which no bovine animal showed clinical signs of infectious bovine rhinotracheitis/infectious pustular vulvovaginitis during the previous 12 months.</li> </ul> <p>qattghu s-sitt xhur immedjatament qabel il-ġbir fit-territorju tal-pajjiż esportatur f'mhux aktar minn żewġ merhliet:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>– li, skond ir-riżultati uffiċjali, kienu hielsa mit-tuberkulozi matul dak il-perjodu,</li> <li>– li, skond ir-riżultati uffiċjali, kienu hielsa mill-brucellozi matul dak il-perjodu,</li> <li>– li kienu hielsa mil-lewkozi bovina enzootika jew li fihom ebda annimal ma wera sinjali kliniċi ta' lewkozi bovina enzootika matul it-tliet snin ta' qabel,</li> <li>– li fihom l-ebda annimal bovin ma wera sinjali kliniċi ta' rinotracheite infettiva/pustular vulvovaginitis infettiva matul it-12-il xahar ta' qabel.</li> </ul> <p>1.6. The embryos to be exported provide the following additional guarantees<sup>(3)</sup>: L-embrijuni għall-esportazzjoni jipprovdu l-garanziji addizzjonali li ġejjin<sup>(3)</sup>:</p> <p>1.6.1. either the embryos to be exported were produced in the exporting country, which according to official findings is free from Akabane disease<sup>(1)</sup>,</p> <p>jew l-embrijuni għall-esportazzjoni ġew prodotti fil-pajjiż esportatur, li skond ir-riżultati uffiċjali huwa hieles mill-marda ta' l-Akabane<sup>(1)</sup>,</p>
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1.6.2. or the embryos were produced in the exporting country, which according to official findings is not free from Akabane disease <sup>(1)</sup>, and

- the embryos were produced without penetration of the *zona pellucida*;
- the embryos were stored under approved conditions for at least 30 days immediately after production, and
- the donors of the oocytes used in the production of embryos underwent a serum neutralisation test for Akabane disease giving negative results and carried out on a blood sample taken not less than 21 days following their collection, or an agent identification test carried out in accordance with the Manual of Diagnostic Tests and Vaccines for Terrestrial Animals on a blood sample taken on the day of slaughtering<sup>(1)</sup>.

jew l-embrijuni ġew prodotti fil-pajjiż esportatur, li skond ir-rizultati uffiċjali mhux hieles mill-marda ta' l-Akabane<sup>(1)</sup>, u

- l-embrijuni ġew prodotti minghajr penetrazzjoni taż-żona pellucida;
- l-embrijuni nhażnu skond il-kondizzjonijiet approvati għal mill-inqas 30 jum immedjatament wara l-produzzjoni, u
- d-donaturi ta' l-oociti użati fil-produzzjoni ta' l-embrijuni sarilhom test ta' newtralizzazzjoni tas-serum għall-marda ta' l-Akabane li għalih irriżultaw negattivi, magħmul fuq kampjun tad-demem mehud mhux inqas minn 21 jum wara l-ġbir tagħhom, jew test ta' identifikazzjoni ta' l-aġent li sar skond il-Manwal tat-Testijiet Dijanjostiċi u l-Vaċċini għall-Annimali Terrestri fuq kampjun tad-demem mehud fil-jum tat-tbiċċir<sup>(1)</sup>.

1.7. The embryos to be exported were conceived by *in vitro* fertilisation using semen coming from semen collection or storage centres located in a Member State of the European Community or in a third country and approved in accordance with Article 5(1) and Article 9(1) respectively of Directive 88/407/EEC<sup>(5)</sup>.

L-embrijuni għall-esportazzjoni ġew ikkonċepiti permezz tal-fertilizzazzjoni *in vitro* bl-użu ta' semen ġej minn ċentri ta' ġbir jew ta' hżin tas-semen li jinsabu fi Stat Membru tal-Komunità Ewropea jew f'pajjiż terz u approvati f'konformità ma' l-Artikolu 5(1) u l-Artikolu 9(1) rispettivament tad-Direttiva 88/407/KEE<sup>(5)</sup>

	<p><b>Notes</b></p> <p>(1) Delete as appropriate.</p> <p>(2) [Box reference no. I.28 in Part I]: Identification mark: corresponding to the identification of the donor cows and the date of collection. Category: specify if a) penetration or b) non penetration of <i>zona pellucida</i>.</p> <p>(3) See remarks for exporting country concerned in Annex I to Decision 2006/168/EC.</p> <p>(4) The signature and the stamp must be of a different colour from that of the printed form.</p> <p>(5) Semen collection and storage centres approved in accordance with EC legislation are listed on the Commission's website <a href="http://europa.eu.int/comm/food/index_en.htm">http://europa.eu.int/comm/food/index_en.htm</a>.</p> <p><b>Noti</b></p> <p>(1) Hassar kif mehtieg.</p> <p>(2) [Kaxxa bin-nru ta' referenza. I.28 f'Parti I]: Marka ta' identifikazzjoni: tikkorrispondi għall-identifikazzjoni tal-baqar donaturi u d-data tal-ġbir. Kategorija: speċifika jekk a) penetrazzjoni jew b) mingħajr-penetrazzjoni taż-zona pellicida.</p> <p>(3) Ara r-rimarki għall-pajjiż esportatur ikkonċernat fl-Anness I għad-Deciżjoni Decision 2006/168/EC.</p> <p>(4) Il-firma u t-timbru jridu jkunu ta' kulur differenti mill-formola stampata.</p> <p>(5) Iċ-ċentri għall-ġbir u l-ħzin tas-semen approvati skond il-leġislazzjoni tal-KE huma elenkati fil-websajt tal-Kummissjoni f'<a href="http://europa.eu.int/comm/food/index_en.htm">http://europa.eu.int/comm/food/index_en.htm</a></p> <p><b>NB: This certificate must:</b></p> <p>(a) be drawn up in at least one official language of the Member State of destination and of the Member State where the embryos will enter Community territory;</p> <p>(b) be made out to a single consignee;</p> <p>(c) accompany the embryos in the original.</p> <p><b>NB: Dan iċ-ċertifikat għandu:</b></p> <p>(a) jithejja f' mill-inqas lingwa wahda uffiċjali ta' l-Istat Membru destinatarju u ta' l-Istat Membru li minnu l-embrijuni jidhlu fit-territorju tal-Komunità;</p> <p>(b) jinħareġ għal destinatarju wiehed;</p> <p>(c) jakkumpanja l-embrijuni bil-kopja originali.</p>
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	<p><b>Official veterinarian</b></p> <p>Name (in Capital):  Date:  Stamp</p>	<p>Qualification and title  Signature:</p>
	<p><b>Veterinarju ufficjali</b></p> <p>Isem (b'ittri Kapitali):  Data:  Timbru</p>	<p>Kwalifika u titlu  Firma:</p>