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Food and Agricultural Import Regulations and Standards - Certification

FAIRS Export Certificate Report

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Report Highlights:

The report lists and describes certificates that should accompany food and agricultural products to Egypt. It also includes the purpose of each certificate and the governmental agency responsible. In general, an original invoice, bill of lading, packing list, weighing list, health certificate, batch number certificate, certificate of origin, and insurance certificate are required to accompany any shipment. An export certificate matrix is included in this report.

SECTION I: REQUIRED EXPORT CERTIFICATES:

Product (s)	Title of Certification	Attestation Required	Purpose	Requesting Ministry
All Products	Export Certificate (FDA Certificate of Free Sale or Sanitary/Health Certificate ¹)		Health/Free Sale Certificate	GOEIC, MoH
	Certificate of Origin (Issued by state/local authorities or local chamber of commerce)		Origin of Product	GOEIC, MoF (Customs Authority)
Grains and Oilseeds	Phytosanitary Certificate (APHIS)		Health Certificate	GOEIC, MoA, MoH
	Grain Inspection Certificate (FGIS)	Aflatoxin test of less than 2 ppm	Weight, quality, aflatoxin < 2ppm	GOEIC, MoA
	Stowage Examination Certificate (FGIS)		Free of pests and contaminants	GOEIC, MoA, MoH
Vegetable Oil	Analysis Certificate (Issued by FGIS or private laboratory)		Lab results to assure that product matches contract terms	GOEIC, MoA, MoH
Meat, Poultry, and Products²	Halal Slaughter Certificate		Religious Certification	GOEIC, MoA, MoH
	Meat and Poultry Export Certificate of Wholesomeness ³ (FSIS)	NOTE: Specific attestations are required. See FSIS Export Library for details.	Health Certificate	GOEIC, MoA, MoH
Fish and Fish Products	Export Health Certificate and Certificate of Origin (NOAA)	Product not caught using explosives nor harvested from contaminated waters.	Health Certificate	GOEIC, MoA, MoH
Dairy Products	Sanitary Certificate (AMS)		Health Certificate	GOEIC, MoA, MoH
Fruits and Vegetables	Phytosanitary Certificate (APHIS)		Phytosanitary Certificate	GOEIC, MoA
Planting Seeds	Phytosanitary Certificate (APHIS)	NOTE: Prior authorization is required by the Egyptian MoA, prior to import seeds for planting.	Phytosanitary Certificate	GOEIC, MoA

Ministry of Agriculture (MoA), Ministry of Health (MoH), Ministry of Finance (MoF), and General Organization for Import and Export Control (GOEIC)

¹ Export certificates are issued by a number of US agencies, depending on product. Please see agency links in Appendix 1 for details on obtaining certificates: FDA – Processed Products; AMS – Dairy Products; FGIS – Grains and Oilseeds; FSIS – Meat and Poultry; NOAA – Fish and Seafood Products.

² Note that any processed products containing meat or poultry must meet the same requirements listed under Meat, Poultry, and Products.

³ For additional requirements of meat, poultry, and products see the FSIS Export Library: <http://www.fsis.usda.gov/wps/portal/fsis/topics/international-affairs/exporting-products/export-library-requirements-by-country/Egypt>

SECTION II: PURPOSE OF SPECIFIC EXPORT CERTIFICATE

(See Section I)

SECTION III: SPECIAL ATTESTATION REQUIRED ON THE EXPORT CERTIFICATE

Export Certificate

The specific export certificate will vary according to the product. In general terms, the certificate must indicate that the product is produced under a recognized process rendering it free of public health hazards and that it is freely sold for human consumption in the country of origin. If questions arise regarding the specific certificate or attestation needed, exporters are advised to contact the USDA Office of Agricultural Affairs or the importing firm prior to shipping.

Certificate of Origin

The certificate of origin is required by the GOEIC and the Egyptian Customs Authority. The document is expected to indicate the manufacturing location of the product being imported. Historically, there has been flexibility in the issuer of the certificate of origin. State or local authorities, as well as local chambers of commerce in the same jurisdiction as the manufacturing facility may issue the document.

Grain and Oilseeds

A certificate attesting that an Aflatoxin test has been completed must accompany all grain and oilseed shipments. The Ministry of Agriculture and GOEIC mandate that Aflatoxin levels be less than 2 ppm on any imported shipment. Additionally, exporters are advised that the Egyptian authorities require that grain shipments be accompanied by paperwork indicating the crop year or production date of the imported goods.

Meat, Poultry, and Products

Exporters of animal products are urged to work closely with Egyptian importers, as well as to check the FSIS Export Library frequently for the latest updates – these requirements are subject to change and are strictly scrutinized by customs authorities.

In addition to the Certificate of Wholesomeness (FSIS 9060-5) a letterhead certificate must accompany the shipment. For beef and beef products the accompanying letterhead must attest that:

1. Foot and mouth disease and rinderpest have not occurred in the United States during the previous 12 months.
2. The product was derived from animals born in the United States or from animals legally imported.
3. The United States is recognized by the OIE as a negligible BSE risk country.
4. The product was not derived from animals that were slaughtered in an official disease eradication program.
5. The product does not contain and is not contaminated with specified risk materials as defined by the USDA Food Safety and Inspection Service in U.S. regulations, 9 CFR 310.22(a).

For whole frozen poultry, leg quarters, drumsticks and thighs, a letterhead certificate attesting the following must accompany the shipment:

1. The poultry meat is derived from birds that were not under official quarantine for serious epizootic diseases affecting poultry including HPNAI, as defined by the OIE.
2. The meat is obtained from poultry found to be free of any clinical signs of systemic infectious or contagious diseases to which the species is susceptible as determined by ante- and post mortem inspection.
3. The poultry meat was handled under hygienic conditions under Federal veterinary inspection and has not been treated with and does not contain any preservatives, coloring matter, hormones or other substances harmful to human health.
4. The poultry meat is wholesome and fit for human consumption.
5. The means of transport, handling and loading conditions meet the hygienic requirements of the United States.

Specific packaging, labeling, and shipping requirements exist for meat, poultry, and their products. Those requirements are explained in detail in the GAIN Exporter Guide and on the FSIS Export Library.

Halal slaughter certification is required for export to Egypt. Halal certificates are issued by competent religious organizations in the country of origin, certifying that the shipment of meat beef, mutton, poultry, and their derivatives have been slaughtered according to Islamic rites and *sharia* laws. Certifying statements should note that all adequate precautions were taken to prevent contamination with non-halal products, and accordingly, the product is suitable for consumption by Muslims in any part of the world. The Halal certificate must be endorsed by the Arabian-American Chamber of Commerce or by an Egyptian Consulate. This certification is required for all shipments destined for Egypt.

Fish and Fish Products

Export certificates accompanying fish and fish products must attest to the fishing method, potential level of contamination, as well as dates of fishing, packaging and freezing. Attestations must indicate that the fish and their products were not harvested through the use of explosives. Similarly, the certificates must confirm that the fish were not caught in areas contaminated by radiation, fertilizers, or pesticides. Dates of fishing, packaging and freezing (below -18C) must be indicated on accompanying documents.

SECTION IV: GOVERNMENT CERTIFICATE LEGAL ENTRY REQUIREMENTS:

- Original certificate must accompany shipment at time of entry.
- Certificates are used for only the accompanying shipment since it carries the details of the shipment
- Modification to any certificate is not permitted once issued and shipped with the accompanying the product.

SECTION V: OTHER CERTIFICATION/ACCREDITATION REQUIREMENTS

Product (s)		
All Products	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Commercial Invoice 	Must include country of origin, applicable HS codes, number of units, price per unit, and total value for customs valuation.
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Bill of Lading 	
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Packing List 	Must list specific products and batches per container. Weight certificates may be used for bulk commodities.
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Batch Number Certificate 	Certain chemicals / food additives will require that batch numbers be tracked for added traceability.
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Certificate of Insurance 	In the case of discrepancies, Egyptian officials may request product details as listed to insurers of those goods.
Food Additives	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Registration Requirement 	Must be pre-registered with the Egyptian Ministry of Health prior to shipment.
Grain and Oilseeds	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Certificate of Fumigation 	Certification of fumigation must be provided. These services may be provided by the servicing firm or by FGIS.
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Aflatoxin Analysis 	Aflatoxin rates may not exceed 2 ppm. Certification of testing in a public or private lab must be included.
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Crop Year 	Documentation must list the crop year applicable to the shipment.
Vegetable Oil	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> FOSFA International Regulation Certificate 	Evidence must be provided that the loading vessel conforms to FOSFA international regulations.
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Exporter statement noting specification of oil/fat 	Chemical specifications must be provided for any new or atypical oils.
Meat, Poultry, and Products	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Packaging Requirement 	Egyptian regulations require that products be packed in sealed plastic bags/cartons, with labeling inside of packaging. See the FSIS Export Library for other requirements. Exporters of meat and poultry are strongly encouraged to work closely with Egyptian importers, as import regulations are subject to change.
Fish	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Freezing Certificate 	Documentation must be provided demonstrating that the products were stored and shipped at -18 degrees centigrade.
Dairy Products	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Production Date 	Paperwork and/or label must indicate the production date for computation of expiry date.
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Dioxin Analysis 	Products must be tested for dioxins.
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Certificate of Analysis 	Analysis demonstrating fat, moisture, plate count, antibiotic presence, and potential pathogen presence must be included.
Margarine	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Manufacturer Declaration 	A certificate indicating the type of oil used in the product must be included
Planting Seeds	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Seed Analysis Certificate 	Note that prior approval is required from the Egyptian Ministry of Agriculture prior to the importation of any seeds for planting. Exporters are strongly encouraged to work closely with importers and Egyptian officials prior to shipping these products.

Additives

Exporters of food additives should note that pre-registration with the Egyptian Ministry of Health is required prior to shipment. Batch numbers must be included on packaging and packing lists for added traceability. Additionally, documentation accompanying food additives must describe products using both their scientific and common names. Exporters of these products are urged to work closely with the Egyptian Ministry of Health and local importers.

Bio-fortified Foods

Exporters of bio-fortified foods should note that these products require pre-registration with the Egyptian Ministry of Health prior to shipment. Exporters of these products are urged to work closely with the Egyptian Ministry of Health and local importers.

Canned Foods

Exporters of canned foods are advised to include batch numbers in packing lists and packaging as possible. Egyptian authorities depend on batch numbers for traceability in case of a rejected shipment, or recalled products. Failure to include these numbers may delay customs clearance.

Planting Seeds

Prior approval is required from the Central Administration of Seed Certification and Testing (CASC) of the Egyptian Ministry of Agriculture prior to the importation of any seeds for planting. Once an approval is granted, the Central Administration for Plant Quarantine (CAPQ) issues a seed import license. Firms wishing to export seeds for planting will be required to provide an international seed testing certificate or a testing certificate issued from an official inspection station abroad including the variety, the degree of purity and the germination percentage, prior to applying for an import permit from the Egyptian Ministry of Agriculture

Upon issuance of an import permit, the subsequent shipments must be accompanied by the Egyptian import permit, the US seed testing certificate, and the applicable phytosanitary certificate. As the requirements for import of these products is complex and time-consuming, exporters are urged work with Egyptian importers and Ministry of Agriculture officials well prior to shipping.

Oils – Atypical

Oils considered non-standard must be accompanied by a certificate of analysis describing their chemical composition. Non-standard oils are not clearly defined, but generally considered to be blended or essential oils, not typically shipped for human consumption. Exporters of these products are urged to work with Egyptian importers to ensure compliance with customs regulations.

APPENDIX I: EXAMPLE CERTIFICATES

FORM FGIS-909
(7-90)



(Replaces Form
FGIS-909 (12-89)
which may be used)

UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE
FEDERAL GRAIN INSPECTION SERVICE
U.S. GRAIN STANDARDS ACT

**COPY
NOT NEGOTIABLE**

OFFICIAL EXPORT GRAIN INSPECTION CERTIFICATE

US- 03819

Portland, Oregon
(ISSUED AT)

April 4, 19XX
(DATE OF SERVICE)

I certify that I am licensed or authorized under the United States Grain Standards Act (7 U.S.C. 71 et seq.), to inspect the kind of grain covered by this certificate.

ORIGINAL INSPECTION REINSPECTION APPEAL INSPECTION BOARD APPEAL INSPECTION

QUANTITY (This is NOT a Weight Certificate)
32,388,250 Pounds

LOCATION Terminal 1 Elevator	IDENTIFICATION OF CARRIER M/V OCEAN VOYAGER
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GRADE AND KIND (in accordance with the Official United States Standards for Grain)
U.S. No. 2 or better Hard Red Winter wheat, Dockage 0.7%
Test weight per bushel 62.5 lbs., Moisture 9.5%, Heat-damaged kernels 0.0%,
Damaged kernels (total) 0.0%, Foreign material 0.6%, Shrunken and broken kernels
1.4%, Defects (total) 2.0%, Contrasting classes 0.3%, Wheat of other classes 0.6%

STOWAGE
Holds Nos. 1, 3, and 6.

REMARKS
Protein 12.0%, 12.0% moisture basis.

APPEAL NO. (if applicable)	APPLICANT Maritime International	NAME AND SIGNATURE John Lingo <i>[Signature]</i>
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This certificate is issued under the authority of the United States Grain Standards Act, as amended (7 U.S.C. 71 et seq.), and the regulations thereunder (7 CFR 800.0 et seq.). It is issued to show the kind, class, grade, quality, condition, or quantity of grain or the condition of a carrier or container for the storage or transportation of grain, or other facts relating to grain as determined by official personnel. The statements on the certificate are considered true at the time and place the inspection or the weighing service was performed. The certificate shall not be considered representative of the lot if the grain is transhipped or is otherwise transferred from the identified carrier or container or if grain or other material is added to or removed from the total lot. If this certificate is not canceled by a superseding certificate, it is receivable by all officers and all courts of the United States as prima facie evidence of the truth of the facts stated therein. This certificate does not excuse failure to comply with the provisions of the Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act, or other Federal law.

WARNING: Any person who shall knowingly falsely make, issue, alter, forge, or counterfeit this certificate, or participate in any such actions, or otherwise violate provisions in the U.S. Grain Standards Act, the U.S. Warehouse Act, or related Federal laws, is subject to criminal, civil, and administrative penalties.
The conduct of all services and the licensing of (inspecting/grading/sampling) personnel under the regulations governing such services shall be accomplished without discrimination as to race, color, religion, sex, national origin, age, or handicap.

FORM FGIS-915
(1-91)

Previous edition of
1-89 may be used.



UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE
FEDERAL GRAIN INSPECTION SERVICE

OFFICIAL STOWAGE EXAMINATION CERTIFICATE

COPY
NOT NEGOTIABLE
US 22399

ISSUED AT Portland, Oregon	DATE OF SERVICE 4/2/XX
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I certify that on the above date the following identified service was performed with the following results:

<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> ORIGINAL INSPECTION	<input type="checkbox"/> REINSPECTION	<input type="checkbox"/> APPEAL INSPECTION	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> USGSA	<input type="checkbox"/> AMA:	TIME COMPLETED 0800 Hours
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IDENTIFICATION OF CARRIER M/V OCEAN VOYAGER	LOCATION Portland at anchor
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STOWAGE AREA EXAMINED Hold Nos. 1, 3, and 6
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RESULTS ("x" one)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Stowage area examined on the above date and found to be substantially clean, dry, free of insect infestation, and suitable to store or carry grain or commodity.
	<input type="checkbox"/> Stowage area examined on the above date and found not suitable to store or carry grain or commodity (see remarks for reason).

REMARKS

APPLICANT Maritime International, Ltd.	INSPECTOR Jerry Marsh <i>Jerry Marsh</i>
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This certificate is issued under the authority of the United Grain Standards Act, as amended (7 U.S.C. 71 *et seq.*), and the regulations thereunder (7 CFR 800.0 *et seq.*), or the Agricultural Marketing Act of 1946, as amended (7 U.S.C. 1621 *et seq.*), and regulations thereunder (7 CFR 68.1 *et seq.*), as appropriate. It is issued to show the condition of a carrier or container for the storage or transportation of grain or commodity. The statements on this certificate are considered true at the time and place the inspection service was performed. If this certificate is not canceled by a superseding certificate, it is receivable by all officers and all courts of the United States as prima facie evidence of the truth of the facts stated therein. This certificate does not excuse failure to comply with the provisions of the Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act, or other Federal law.

WARNING: Any person who shall knowingly falsely make, issue, alter, forge, or counterfeit this certificate, or participate in any such actions, or otherwise violate provisions in the U.S. Grain Standards Act, the Agricultural Marketing Act of 1946, or related Federal laws, is subject to criminal, civil, and administrative penalties. The conduct of all services and licensing of (inspecting/grading/sampling) personnel under the regulations governing such services shall be accomplished without discrimination as to race, color, religion, sex, national origin, age, or handicap.



U.S. GRAIN STANDARDS ACT
OFFICIAL GRAIN WEIGHT CERTIFICATE

COPY
NOT NEGOTIABLE

Portland, Oregon

April 4, 19XX

Please refer to this certificate by its number,
including the lettered prefix, if any, and date.

(ISSUED AT)

(DATE OF SERVICE)

I certify that I am licensed or authorized under the United States Grain Standards Act (7 U.S.C. 71 et seq.) to weigh the kind of grain covered by this certificate and that on the above date the following identified grain was weighed under the Act, with the following results:

IDENTIFICATION OF CARRIER (license no., carrier no., etc.)

M/V OCEAN VOYAGER

REMARKS

Holds No. 1, 3, and 6.

LOCATION OF GRAIN

Terminal 1 Elevator

<input type="checkbox"/> IN 1	<input type="checkbox"/> OUT 2	<input type="checkbox"/> LOCAL 3	<input type="checkbox"/> EXPORT 4
<input type="checkbox"/> BOXCAR 1	<input type="checkbox"/> TRUCK 4	<input type="checkbox"/> BARGE 7	
<input type="checkbox"/> HOPPER CAR 2	<input type="checkbox"/> SACKED 5	<input type="checkbox"/> SEA VAN 8	
<input type="checkbox"/> UNIT TRAIN 3	<input type="checkbox"/> Other (specify in remarks) 6	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> VESSEL 9	

(X) KIND OF GRAIN 24 HOUR TIME (military time)

CORN 1	Started 4/2/XX 0630	Finished 4/2/XX 0800
SOYBEANS 2		
WHEAT 3	GROSS	
SORGHUM 4		
BARLEY 5		
FLAXSEED 6	TARE	
MIXED 7		
OATS 8		
RYE 9	NET WEIGHT (pounds)	
TRITICALE 10		
11	3	2
	3	8
	8	2
	5	0
	-	-
	-	-

See Attached.

This certificate is issued under the authority of the United States Grain Standards Act, as amended (7 U.S.C. 71 et seq.), and the regulations thereunder (7 CFR 800.0 et seq.). It is issued to show the kind, class, grade, quality, condition, or quantity of grain; or the condition of a carrier or container for the storage or transportation of grain; or other facts relating to grain as determined by official personnel. The statements on the certificate are considered true at the time and place the inspection or the weighing service was performed. The certificate shall not be considered representative of the lot if the grain is reweighed or is otherwise transferred from the identified carrier or container or if grain or other material is added to or removed from the total lot. If this certificate is not canceled by a superseding certificate, it is receivable by all officers and all courts of the United States as prima facie evidence of the truth of the facts stated therein. This certificate does not exempt anyone from complying with the provisions of the Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act, or other Federal law.

WARNING: Any person who shall knowingly falsify, make, issue, alter, forge, or counterfeit this certificate, or participate in any such actions, or otherwise violate provisions in the U.S. Grain Standards Act, the U.S. Warehouse Act, or related Federal laws, is subject to criminal, civil, and administrative penalties.


The conduct of all services and the licensing of personnel under the regulations governing such services shall be accomplished without discrimination as to race, color, religion, sex, or national origin.

NAME OR SIGNATURE
Don Lewis

- Sample -

**U.S. DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE
FOOD SAFETY AND INSPECTION SERVICE
FIELD OPERATIONS
MEAT AND POULTRY EXPORT CERTIFICATE OF
WHOLESALENES**

A knowingly false entry or false alteration of any entry on this certificate may result in a fine of not more than \$10,000 or imprisonment for not more than five years or both (18 USC 1001). Additional penalties exist under the Federal Meat Inspection Act [21 USC 611 (b) (1), (2), and (5); 21 USC 676] and the Poultry Products Inspection Act [21 USC 456 (c) (1), (2), and (5); 21 USC 461] for an unauthorized or false allegation or misuse of this certificate.

DISTRICT OFFICE	COUNTRY OF DESTINATION	MPI -
EXPORTED BY <i>(Applicant's name and address including ZIP Code)</i>		PRODUCT EXPORTED FROM
		EST. / PLANT NUMBER <i>(if applicable)</i> ①
		CITY
CONSIGNEE TO 1/ <i>(Name and address including ZIP Code)</i>		<input type="checkbox"/> @ SLAUGHTERING PLANT <input type="checkbox"/> @ PROCESSING PLANT ② <input type="checkbox"/> @ WAREHOUSE <input type="checkbox"/> @ DOCKSIDE
TOTAL MARKED NET WEIGHT	TOTAL CONTAINERS	

PRODUCT AS LABELED	MARKED WEIGHT OF LOT 1/	NUMBER OF PACKAGES IN LOT 1/	SHIPPING MARKS 1/	EST / PLANT NUMBER ON PRODUCT ④

1/As stated by applicant or contractor

REMARKS

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- I CERTIFY that the meat or meat food product specified hereon is from animals that received both antemortem and postmortem inspection and were found sound and healthy and that it has been inspected and passed as provided by law and regulations of the Department and is sound and wholesome.
- I CERTIFY that the poultry and poultry products specified above came from birds that were officially given an antemortem and postmortem inspection and passed in accordance with applicable laws and regulations of the United States Department of Agriculture and are wholesome and fit for human consumption.

NOT VALID UNLESS SIGNED BY AN INSPECTOR OF MEAT AND POULTRY INSPECTION PROGRAM

<i>By order of the Secretary of Agriculture</i>	INSPECTOR AND DISTRICT	DATE SIGNED (MM/DD/YYYY)
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This certificate is receivable in all courts of the United States as prima facie evidence of the truth of the statements therein contained.
This certificate does not excuse failure to comply with any of the regulatory laws enforced by the United States Department of Agriculture.



UNITED STATES OF AMERICA
SANTITARY CERTIFICATE FOR EXPORTS



Country of Origin: USA
Certification Authority: U.S. Department of Agriculture, Agricultural Marketing Service
Reference Number of this Certificate: [CertNo]

I. Exporter (Name and Address)

[ExportName]
[ExportAddr]
[ExportCitySt]

II. Identification of the Dairy Products (Information Supplied by the Manufacturer or Exporter)

Product Description: [Description]
Condition or Kind of Treatment: [Condition]
Type of Packaging: [PkgType]
Number of Packages: [NumPkgs]
Total Net Weight: [NetWt]
Required Temperature, Storage and Transportation: [ReqTemp]
Validity Date (Shelf Life): [ShelfLife]

III. Origin of the Products (Information Supplied by the Manufacturer or Exporter)

[OriginName]
[OriginCity]
Plant Number: [OriginNo]

IV. Product Destination: (Information Supplied by the Manufacturer or Exporter)

Origin: [DestName]
[DestAddr]
Destination: [Destination]
Method of Transport: [Transport]

V. Sanitary Certification

- (1) The United States of America is free from Foot & Mouth Disease and Rinderpest
- (2) The product was manufactured in facilities inspected and approved by the competent authority and subjected to regular audits or inspections aimed at ensuring that the processing is properly and hygienically carried out, to produce a product that is fit for human consumption.
- (3) The product was manufactured from milk or milk products that received a pasteurization treatment or adequate safeguards have been taken with the aim of avoiding public health hazards arising from pathogenic organisms associated with milk.
- (4) To the best of our knowledge, the product contains no harmful levels of contaminants.

[Date]

[Name]
[Title]
USDA, Dairy Grading

Date Signed

Appendix II: Links

U.S. Certificate issuers:

USDA – Agricultural Marketing Service: [Dairy Sanitary Certificate for Export](#)

USDA – Food Safety Inspection Service: [Meat and Poultry Export Certificate of Wholesomeness](#)

USDA – Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service: [Phytosanitary Certificate](#)

USDA – Grain Inspection, Packers, and Stockyards Administration: [Export Information](#) (Grain inspection, stowage, and analysis certification)

FDA – [Food Export Certificate](#) (Certificate of Free Sale)

Egyptian Agencies:

[Ministry of Agriculture and Land Reclamation](#)

[Ministry of Trade and Industry](#)

[General Organization for Import and Export Control](#)

[Ministry of Health](#)