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Competent Authority to sign High Quality Beef Certificates

Art. 25a Abs. 2 Bst. d Swiss Ordinance of 26 November 2003 on the meat stock and meat market (SR 916.341)

Country	Competent Authority
Argentina	Ministerio de Economia y Production Secretaria de Agricultura, Ganaderîa, Pesca y Alimentos Servicio Nacional de Sanidad y Calidad Agroalimentaria (SENASA)
Australia	AUS- MEAT Limited in addition to the Australian Government Department of Agriculture Fisheries and Forestry (DAFF) as the authority which must co-sign these certificates.
Brazil	Federative Republic of Brazil Ministry of Agriculture Livestock and Supply - Mapa Federal Inspection Service FIS
Canada	Government of Canada, Canadian Food Inspection Agency
Chile	Servicio Agrícola y Ganadero (SAG)
Ireland	Department of Agriculture, Food and the Marine
Namibia	Meatboard of Namibia Windhoek
New Zealand	New Zealand Ministry for Primary Industries
Northern Ireland	Department of Agriculture and Rural Development Northern Ireland Veterinary Service UK
Scotland	Scottish Executive Edinburgh
United Kingdom	Rural Payments Agency (Meat Technical Schemes), Reading RG1 3YD
Uruguay	Ministerio de Ganaderia, Agricultura y Pesca – Direccion general de servicios ganaderos
USA	Food Safety and Inspection Service (FSIS) of the United States Department of Agriculture (USDA)
Wales	Rural Payments Agency (Meat Technical Schemes), Reading RG1 3YD

The competent authority certifies that the beef described in this certificate complies with the specifications "Commitment of Switzerland Concerning Access to its Market for Beef" of 12 april 1979; (SR 0.632.231.53).