EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This note is not part of the Regulations)

These Regulations, which extend to Scotland only, amend the Products of Animal Origin (Third Country Imports) (Scotland) Regulations 2002 (S.S.I.2002/445) ("the principal Regulations") as follows:

- 1. They amend the principal Regulations to clarify a number of minor drafting points (regulation 2(2) to (5)).
- **2.** They implement Commission Decision 2002/994/EC, as amended by Commission Decision 2003/72/EC (which repealed Commission Decision 2002/69/EC concerning certain protective measures with regard to products of animal origin imported from China) (regulation 2(6)(a)).
- **3.** They implement Commission Decisions 2002/251/EC and 2002/794/EC concerning certain protective measures with regard to poultrymeat and poultrymeat products from Thailand and Brazil respectively (regulation 2(6)(b)).
- **4.** They implement Commission Decisions 2002/770/EC and 2002/771/EC revoking previous decisions concerning protective measures with regard to fishery and aquaculture products imported from Vietnam and Pakistan respectively (regulation 2(6)(c)).
- **5.** They revoke, consequentially, the Food and Animal Feedingstuffs (Products of Animal Origin from China) (Emergency Control) (Scotland) Regulations 2002 and the Food and Animal Feedingstuffs (Products of Animal Origin from China) (Emergency Control) (Scotland) Amendment Regulations 2002 (regulation 3).

A Regulatory Impact Assessment has not been prepared for these Regulations.