

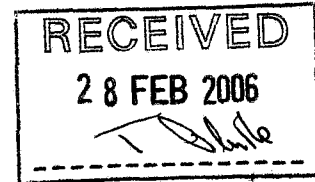
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**COUNTRY OF ORIGIN OF BEEF IN THE FOOD SERVICE  
RESPONDEE INFORMATION FORM**

Please complete the details below and attach it with your response. This will help ensure we handle your response appropriately:

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1. Are you responding as: (please tick one box)

- (a) an individual  (go to 2a/b)  
(b) **on behalf of a group or organisation**  (go to 2c)

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- Yes (go to 2b below)   
No, not at all

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- Yes  No



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28 February 2006

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Dear Sirs

### Country of Origin of Beef in the Food Service Sector

I write in response to the consultation letter of 15 November from Elizabeth Baird on this matter.

Although we are a trade association representing the slaughtering and processing sector some of our members will in fact supply the food service sector either directly or indirectly. Also we have always been supportive of and committed to the Scotch Beef label and would wish to see its values maintained and highlighted to consumers without ambiguity.

Against this background we are fully supportive of the proposal to introduce country of origin labelling in the food service sector to ensure true transparency. Our response to the specific questions is as follows:

Q1. No

Q2. Yes

Q3. A compulsory scheme would ensure commitment.

Q4. Yes in that the proposal should apply to only fresh chilled and frozen beef in all food service outlets conveyed in a way which is visible to the consumer.

Q5. Yes for clarity although veal production in the UK and Scotland in particular is minimal.

Q6. Yes and whilst accepting that enforcement must be proportionate it also must be meaningful and in this context will local authorities have adequate resources for the purpose?

#### Executive Manager: Mr Alistair Donaldson

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Q7 Yes

We have no detailed comment to offer on the Partial Regulatory Impact Assessment other than to support Option 2

Yours sincerely

Alistair Donaldson