

Situation Report



Government of South Australia
Primary Industries and Resources SA

Facility	s47G(1)(a)
Location	s47G(1)(a)
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Sitrep No	9
Date and Time	29 Aug 2011 – 10:00
Time Period	1000hrs 26 Aug to 1000hrs 29 Aug 2011

1.0 Situation to date

- Biosecurity SA officers continue daily surveillance activities of the consignment of sheep from the 'Al Messilah'.
- Mortalities and illness continue to be from trauma and endemic diseases. Mortality and illness rates are stable.
- The continued warm weather may result in flies causing welfare issues
- A 'notice of intent' for re-export of the sheep has been lodged with AQIS and is expected that about 50,000 of the consignment will be re-exported in about 5 to 7 days
- Biosecurity SA personnel will meet with AQIS personnel today to discuss roles and responsibilities for the re-export of the sheep.
- It remains unclear what is planned for the remainder of the consignment. If they are sent for slaughter a risk assessment will need to be completed prior to this occurring
- It is reported that up to three vessels may be loading sheep out of Port Adelaide over the next two weeks. In the event that this proves to be true there is likely to be increased interest from animal activists and the associated media attention will be high.

2.0 Actions to date

- Daily surveillance activities continue
- Continued media monitoring

3.0 Actions to be completed

- Continue field activities
- Plan for re-export of sheep
- Consider alternate surveillance strategy for sheep remaining beyond 21 days (incubation period for sheep pox)
- Maintain communications with all parties

4.0 Issue(s)

- Live export remains high on the political agenda for animal activists. Biosecurity SA needs to remain vigilant to any potential interference.

5.0 Next SitRep:

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The next SITREP will be issued at 1000hrs, 31 August 2011

Approved by	Controller: Nancy Bombardieri 29 Aug 2011 1000 hours
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