

GAINS FOR HORSES



EUROPEANS SUSPEND IMPORTATION OF HORSE MEAT FROM MEXICO

The European Commission has placed a moratorium on the import of horsemeat from Mexico due to health concerns principally over the amount of drug residues found in horse meat that are potentially toxic to humans. The Commission also raised serious animal welfare concerns associated with horse slaughter including the long distances the horses are trucked to reach the slaughter houses in Mexico and the number of injured and ill animals arriving at the slaughter houses. This moratorium will help to halt the tens of thousands of horses shipped every year from the U.S. to Mexico for slaughter. In fact, the vast majority of horsemeat shipped from Mexico to Europe is from horses that were transported to Mexico from the United States.

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