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FAX TRANSMISSION

TO: [REDACTED] **FROM:** [REDACTED]
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Dear [REDACTED]

The following r_1 values were obtained by ELISA and neutralisation tests at the FAO World Reference Laboratory for FMD.

Yours sincerely

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Head: World Reference Laboratory for FMD

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	r₁ values by ELISA				
WRL Ref Number	MAY 97	A22	IRN 87	IRn 2001	KEN 35/80
MAU 1/06	0.14	0.03	0.09	0.13	0.53
MAU 3/06	0.15	0.03	0.06	0.13	0.61

	r₁ values by neutralisation test against vaccine strains below	
WRL Ref Number	A22	A Eritrea
MAU 1/06	0.23	0.21
MAU 3/06	0.19	0.15

Interpretation of r₁ values

In the case of ELISA:

r₁ = 0.4-1.0. Suggests that there is a close relationship between field isolate and vaccine strain. A potent vaccine containing the vaccine strain is likely to confer protection.

r₁ = 0.2-0.39, Suggests that the field isolate is antigenically related to the vaccine strain. The vaccine strain might be suitable for use if no closer match can be found provided that a potent vaccine is used and animals are preferably immunised more than once.

r₁ = <0.2. Suggests that the field isolate is so different from the vaccine strain that the vaccine is unlikely to protect

In the case of neutralisation:

r₁ = ≥ 0.3. Suggests that there is a close relationship between field isolate and vaccine strain. A potent vaccine containing the vaccine strain is likely to confer protection.

r₁ = < 0.3. Suggests that the field isolate is so different from the vaccine strain that the vaccine is unlikely to protect.