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On Sept. 5, Paraguayan officials announced suspension of beef exports for three months, effective Sept. 15, aimed at reducing cost of living hikes affecting low- and middle- income households. In the past three months, meat prices have doubled. Exporters were outraged, asserting that the government's decision would result in substantial losses to the meat-packing industry. Spokespersons for labor unions praised the policy move, and urged the government to provide further guarantees to domestic market beef supplies by acting to prevent beef contraband to Brazil. (Basic data from AFP, 09/05/90)

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