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**SUMMARY REPORT OF THE
STANDING COMMITTEE ON PLANTS, ANIMALS, FOOD AND FEED
HELD IN BRUSSELS ON 24 JANUARY 2017
(Section Biological Safety of the Food Chain)**

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A.01 Presentation and possible endorsement of the revised "Guidelines for the validation of new methods for the detection of Trichinella larvae in meat samples".

The Commission presented a revised version of the European Union Reference Laboratory (EURL) guidelines for the validation of alternative methods for Trichinella testing. In order to allow comments on this version, endorsement was postponed.

A.02 Presentation of the European guide to good practice for smoked fishes and/or salted and/or marinated.

The European Smoked Salmon Association (ESSA) representative presented the structure of the guide. Some Member States already indicated their availability to evaluate the guide and Member States should formally notify ESSA and the Commission by mid-February of their interest in evaluating the guide.

A.03 Presentation by EFSA of the EU Summary Report on data of the surveillance of ruminants for the presence of TSEs in 2015.

The European Food Safety Association (EFSA) presented the EU Summary Report on the monitoring of TSEs in 2015. In reply to a question raised by the Netherlands, EFSA answered that, while overall the scrapie situation in the EU had not evolved significantly, the scrapie situation was variable from Member State to Member State and improving in some of them.

A.04 Results of the implementation of the main 2015 EU co-financed Salmonella Control Programmes: presentations to be made by Italy, Spain, Greece and Romania.

Austria, Spain, Slovakia, Greece and Romania presented the results of their 2015 EU co-funded salmonella eradication programmes. The programmes were correctly implemented in those five Member States and the global trend observed is positive. No major problems during the implementation of the programmes were raised by the competent authorities.

B.01 Exchange of views and possible opinion of the Committee on a draft Commission Regulation amending Annex V to Regulation (EC) No 999/2001 of the European Parliament and of the Council as regards the removal of specified risk materials from small ruminants.

The Member States who could not support the draft text at the meeting in December 2016 were asked if their positions had evolved. One Member State informed that it was not in a position to vote in January as the issue is due to be discussed by their competent authority in February. Two other Member States confirmed their intention to abstain. One Member State confirmed its intention to oppose. The vote on the draft text was postponed.

Vote postponed

B.02 Exchange of views and possible opinion of the Committee on a draft Commission Regulation amending Annexes III and VII to Regulation (EC) No 999/2001 of the European Parliament and of the Council as regards the genotyping of ovine animals.

The Commission presented the draft text, which had been discussed at TSE Working Group level in September and November 2016 and at Standing Committee level in December 2016. The Commission informed that no comments had been received during the stakeholders' feedback procedure. No questions were raised by Member States.

Vote taken: Favourable opinion.

B.03 Exchange of views and possible opinion of the Committee on a draft Commission Regulation amending Regulation (EC) No 2074/2005 as regards the official controls on fishery products caught by Union flagged vessels and introduced into Union territory after being transferred in third countries and establishing a model of the health certificate for those products.

The draft was presented for technical vote and will now be sent to SPS. One Member State abstained as they had expected to vote this text together with another proposal allowing reduced checks at Border Inspection Posts for EU products covered by the current proposal, for which the legal basis is missing.

C.01 Exchange of views of the Committee on a draft Commission Regulation amending Regulation (EC) No 2073/2005 as regards Campylobacter in broiler carcasses.

The Commission presented and discussed with Member States Rev. 3 of the draft Commission Regulation amending Regulation (EC) No 2073/2005 as regards

Campylobacter in broiler carcasses. Member States broadly supported the proposal (with one exception) and appreciated the progressive approach proposed. The discussion included the transportation time requirement, the tolerance foreseen by the criterion (i.e. c value) and the date of entry into force.

M.01 Information to the Member States on the first meeting of "AMR One-Health network" that will take place on 23 February 2017

The Commission representative informed the Committee that the first meeting of the AMR One-Health network will take place on 23 February 2017. The purpose of this meeting is to bring together national representatives from the human and animal health sides in order to discuss AMR issues with a One-Health approach. The Commission's vision for the future EU action plan against AMR will be discussed at this meeting.