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SUMMARY REPORT

- A.01 Information point on EU-UK readiness and preparedness as from 1 January 2021

 No questions raised at the meeting.
- B.01 Exchange of views and possible opinion of the Committee on a draft Commission Implementing Decision approving amendments to the national programme for the control of Salmonella in certain live animals and products of animal origin submitted by Finland and Sweden

The Commission explained the editorial amendments made to the Commission Implementing Decision approving amendments to the national programme for the control of Salmonella in certain live animals and products of animal origin submitted by Finland and Sweden (SANTE/11292/2020), since the last presentation of this draft in PAFF Committee. No comments were made by Member States and the draft was voted by unanimity.

Vote taken: Favourable opinion.

B.02 Exchange of views and possible opinion of the Committee on a draft Commission Regulation amending Annexes III, V, VII and IX to Regulation (EC) No 999/2001 of the European Parliament and of the Council as regards genotyping of positive TSE cases in goats, the determination of age in ovine and caprine animals, the measures applicable in a herd or flock with atypical scrapie and the conditions for imports of products of bovine, ovine and caprine origin

The proposed act will add an obligation to genotype positive TSE cases in goats, will repeal an option for the determination of the age of small ruminants which has not been used by the 27 Member States, will repeal surveillance obligations in case of atypical scrapie, and will align some import requirements for products originating from bovine, ovine and caprine animals. It was submitted to the usual 60 days SPS consultation, with no feedback from the WTO members. No comments were made by Member States and the draft was voted by unanimity.

Vote taken: Favourable opinion.

B.03 Exchange of views and possible opinion of the Committee on a draft Commission Implementing Decision amending Annex VII to Implementing Regulation (EU) 2015/1375 as regards the derogation of the United Kingdom and the Crown Dependencies from Trichinella testing of pigs

The Commission explained that the draft Implementing Regulation aims at improving consistency between Implementing Regulations (EU) 2015/1374 (Trichinella control) and 2019/627 (practical arrangements for controls of products of animal origin), as regards testing in horses/solipeds. The wording "solipeds" should be used in both acts, without changing the content of the requirements. In addition, the Implementing Regulation provides derogation to the United Kingdom (Great Britain) from Trichinella testing in domestic pigs under controlled housing conditions. UK provided information showing compliance with the conditions to be granted this derogation, which would apply from 21 April 2021. No comments were made by Member States and the draft was voted by unanimity.

Vote taken: Favourable opinion.

B.04 Exchange of views and possible opinion of the Committee on a draft Commission Implementing Regulation SANTE/2021/10048 amending Annex I, Annexes IV to XIII, and Annex XVI to Commission Implementing Regulation (EU) [C(2020)9200] as regards the entries of the United Kingdom and the Crown Dependencies in the lists of third countries and regions thereof authorised for the entry into the Union of certain animals and goods intended for human consumption in accordance with Regulation (EU) 2017/625

The Commission presented a revised version of the draft SANTE/10048/2021 amending Commission Implementing Regulation (EU) [C(2020)9200] as regards the entries of UK and the crown dependencies in the lists of third countries authorised for the entry into the EU of animals and goods for human consumption. Beside editorial amendments required by the Commission legal service, a provision has been added to correct the entry for Belarus in Annex IX of Regulation (EU) [C(2020)9200] (the country was erroneously associated with the remark "only from wild catch" in this Annex), and the provision adding the Isle of Man and Jersey in Annex XII of Regulation (EU) [C(2020)9200] was removed, because these territories are not included in Part I of Annex I of Regulation (EC) No 798/2008 and therefore not authorised for the entry of gelatine and collagen from poultry in the EU. No comments were made by Member States. It was agreed to vote on this proposal by written procedure.

Vote taken: Favourable opinion.

M.01 Point raised by CZ - Lists of approved establishments

CZ asked the Commission to inform Member States on how it intends to assist them in making lists of approved establishments available in TRACES in accordance with Article 45(3) of Commission Implementing Regulation (EU) 2019/1715.

The Commission presented the new functionality "establishment listings" allowing access to the lists of approved establishments of both EU and non-EU countries in TRACES-NT. It informed that the new functionality is not yet fully optimised as the option "Download PDF" is not yet operational. Access is given to establishments that Member States have registered in TRACES-NT following the recommendations made at the TRACES workshop on 26 October 2020 and to Chief Veterinary Officers on 16 December 2020.

The new functionality "establishment listings" is accessible to TRACES users and to the public at https://webgate.ec.europa.eu/tracesnt/directory/publication/establishment/index#!/