



EUROPEAN COMMISSION

HEALTH AND FOOD SAFETY DIRECTORATE-GENERAL

sante.ddg2.g.5(2017)706403

**SUMMARY REPORT OF THE  
STANDING COMMITTEE ON PLANTS, ANIMALS, FOOD AND FEED  
HELD IN BRUSSELS ON 24 JANUARY 2017  
(Section Animal Health & Welfare)**

*CIRCABC Link:* <https://circabc.europa.eu/w/browse/d36ff9ae-0fd1-41e0-8ee0-8fec085e3c37>

**B.01 Exchange of views and possible opinion of the Committee on a draft Commission Implementing Decision on risk mitigating and reinforced biosecurity measures and early detection systems in relation to the risks posed by wild birds for the transmission of highly pathogenic avian influenza viruses to poultry.**

Please note that the title has changed after the document was presented at the PAFF Committee meeting of 17-18 January.

The draft legal text requires Member States to identify areas on their territory at higher risk for the introduction of highly pathogenic avian influenza virus strains into poultry holdings and lays down biosecurity and certain risk mitigating measures to prevent direct and indirect contacts between wild birds and poultry. Member States must implement early detection systems in poultry holdings to ensure early notification of disease.

The Commission representative presented a revised text following discussions at the meeting of that Committee on 17/18 January and comments received afterwards.

**Vote taken:** Favourable opinion.

**B.02 Exchange of views and possible opinion of the Committee on a draft Commission Implementing Decision amending the Annex to Implementing Decision (EU) 2016/2122 on protective measures in relation to outbreaks of the highly pathogenic avian influenza of subtype H5N8 in certain Member States.**

Following the review of the disease evolution in the Union the Commission presented a draft Commission Implementing Decision on protective measures in relation to highly pathogenic avian influenza of subtype H5N8 in certain Member States. Due to further outbreaks in the Czech Republic, Germany, France, Hungary, Poland, and the United Kingdom as well as first outbreaks in poultry holdings in Italy these Member

States have established new protection and surveillance zones around infected holdings, where control measures and restrictions on movements apply according to Directive 2005/94/EC. The current draft amends the Annex to Implementing Decision (EU) 2016/2122 to include the areas put under restrictions by Member States.

**Vote taken:** Favourable opinion.