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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 Regulation amending Annex VI to Commission Regulation (EC) No 152/2009 laying down the methods of analysis for the determination of constituents of animal origin for the official control of feed.

The main purpose of the proposed draft Regulation is to amend the protocol for light microscopy method described in Annex VI to align it with the general provisions of Annex II of the same Regulation, particularly as regards the number of determinations to be performed: only 1 determination will have to be performed when a positive result matches with the declared content, instead of 2 currently, thus decreasing the burden. The amendment is also the opportunity to make technical adjustments bringing increased clarity to the light microscopy method. After the presentation of the draft by the Commission, a couple of Member States expressed concerns about the light microscopy method as established. The draft text was submitted to the vote of the Committee and received a favourable opinion with a qualified majority.

Vote taken: Favourable opinion.

B.02 Exchange of views and possible opinion of the Committee on a draft Commission Implementing Decision on the monitoring and reporting of antimicrobial resistance in zoonotic and commensal bacteria and repealing Commission Implementing Decision 2013/652/EU.

The Commission presented the draft text whose objective is to update the technical requirements applicable, as from 1 January 2021, to the harmonised monitoring and reporting of AMR in zoonotic and commensal bacteria in food and food producing animals in the EU. This draft text is largely based on the latest EFSA scientific opinion on the subject (June 2019) but also on the field experience acquired since 2014 by Member States. Several Member States took the floor to ask clarifications or make comments, in particular as regards sampling requirements for imported fresh meat. The draft text was submitted to the vote of the Committee and received a favourable opinion

with a qualified majority. The Italian delegation expressed its concerns regarding the lack of harmonised managing measures in case resistant bacteria are detected in fresh meat sampled at import.

Vote taken: Favourable opinion.

B.03 Exchange of views and possible opinion of the Committee on a draft Commission Implementing Regulation amending Implementing Regulation (EU) 2015/1375 as regards the reference method for detection and import conditions related to Trichinella control.

The Commission presented the revision aiming at allowing further cuts of pig carcasses under strict conditions before the result of Trichinella testing is available, at amending importing requirements because of the application of Regulation (EU) 2016/429 (new Animal Health Law, new AHL) and at replacing the EU reference method for detection of Trichinella by a reference to ISO 18743:2015. Redrafting by the legal services of the Commission were explained and some related updates of cross-references highlighted. No comments were made by Member States except on timing for adoption. The draft text was submitted to the vote of the Committee and received a favourable opinion with a qualified majority.

Vote taken: Favourable opinion.