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SUMMARY REPORT OF THE STANDING COMMITTEE ON PLANTS, ANIMALS, FOOD AND FEED HELD IN BRUSSELS ON 19 SEPTEMBER 2014

(Section Animal Health and Welfare)

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A.01 Information from Italy and exchange of views on occurrence of Small Hive Beetle in Calabria.

Italy shared information on the occurrence of small hive beetle (SHB) in Calabria including basic information on SHB itself, local epidemiological and geographical circumstances and measures taken by the competent authorities. The Commission emphasised the importance of this finding as it represented the first occurrence of the hitherto exotic pest on EU soil. The Commission explained that it has already sent fax to the Member States and asked also the delegates to inform immediately their animal health counterparts in the Member States and committed to put the issue onto the agenda of the next animal health Committee where the issue can be discussed by the experts.