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Dear Sir,

Dear Bernard!

According to the art. 27 paragraph 2 of Council Regulation 1/2005 *on the protection of animals during transport and related operations and amending Directives 64/432/EEC and 93/119/EC and Regulation (EC) No 1255/97*, please find attached:

- the annual report on the results of the means of transport checks carried out in the field of animal welfare in 2012 in Poland,
- the analysis of the main infringements detected during inspections carried out in 2012 in the field of the protection of animals during transport, and
- the action plan to correct the above mentioned infringements.

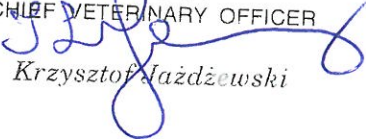
Simultaneously, I would like to inform that the difference between number of infringements presented in the Annual report and the table in *the analysis of the main infringements detected during inspections carried out in 2012 in the field of the protection of animals during transport*, results from the fact, that this table concerns only the infringements found by the Veterinary Inspection and the Annual report covered also the infringements found by the Road Transport Inspection.



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Moreover, I would like to inform you that the annual report on inspections of means of transport which was presented in MANCP for 2012 concerns only inspections carried out by Veterinary Inspection.

Your sincerely,

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ANNUAL REPORT ON THE PROTECTION OF ANIMAL DURING TRANSPORT

POLAND

Year: 2012

Animals transported (in heads)	In number of animals						
	1 Bovine	2 Porcine	3 Small ruminants	4 Equidae	5 Domestic birds and rabbits	6 Other species	
a Slaughtered	1 506 250	24 062 901	25 020	39 585	704 041 088	1 420	
b Exported	329 440	255 199	49 590	18 369	85 230 804	885 387	
c Imported for breeding	52 524	5 094 558	178	335	47 260 575	287 895	
d Other animals transported	61 792	945 272	8 239	846	10 482 717	2 009 927	
a+b+c+d	1 950 006	30 357 930	83 027	59 135	847 015 184	3 184 629	
Number of inspections	In number of animals						
	1 In means of transport	2 Bovine	3 Porcine	4 Small ruminants	5 Equidae	6 Domestic birds and rabbits	7 Other species
a During transport by road	2 356	12 027	124 473	886	578	3 936 672	118 713
b At the place of destination	304 031	4 194 260	10 901 509	8 419	23 536	458 057 057	242 567
c1 at markets	24 639	129 677	534 341	366	1 238	1 196 631	0
c2 at place of departure	17 654	312 633	912 879	51 738	17 780	112 549 548	1 275 931
c3 At control points	1 173	43 906	74 761	4 083	109	0	0
c4 At transfer points	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
a+b+c1+c2+c3+c4	349 853	4 692 503	12 547 963	65 492	43 241	575 739 908	1 637 211
d Documents checks	350 952	101 420	180 695	4 224	5 765	4 975 369	898
Number of infringements	In number of animals						
	1 In means of transport	2 Bovine	3 Porcine	4 Small	5 Equidae	6 Domestic birds	7 Other
a During transport by road	79	46	120	0	11	9 500	0
b At the place of destination	698	4 007	19 477	0	15	520 917	2 013
c1 at markets	214	247	195	0	36	200	0
c2 at place of departure	32	80	938	13	0	10 050	0
c3 At control points	162	10 334	764	0	0	0	0
c4 At transfer points	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
a+b+c1+c2+c3+c4	1 185	14 714	21 494	13	62	540 667	2 013
d Documents checks	517	1 401	7 755	4	80	168 300	3

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Percentage of iheads inspected/transported	All species	1 Bovine	2 Porcine	3 Small ruminants	4 Equidae	5 Domestic birds and rabbits	6 Other species
Percentage of inspection by categories							
1 In means of transport							
a During transport by road	0,67%	0,26%	0,99%	1,35%	1,34%	0,68%	7,25%
b At the place of destination	86,90%	89,38%	86,88%	12,86%	54,43%	79,56%	14,82%
c1 at markets	7,04%	2,76%	4,26%	0,56%	2,86%	0,21%	0,00%
c2 at place of departure	5,05%	6,66%	7,28%	79,00%	41,12%	19,55%	77,93%
c3 At control points	0,34%	0,94%	0,60%	6,23%	0,25%	0,00%	0,00%
c4 At transfer points	0,00%	0,00%	0,00%	0,00%	0,00%	0,00%	0,00%
Percentage of infringements by categories:							
1 In means of transport							
In number of animals							
a During transport by road	6,67%	0,31%	0,56%	0,00%	17,74%	1,76%	0,00%
b At the place of destination	58,90%	27,23%	90,62%	0,00%	24,19%	96,35%	100,00%
c1 at markets	18,06%	1,68%	0,91%	0,00%	58,06%	0,04%	0,00%
c2 at place of departure	2,70%	0,54%	4,36%	100,00%	0,00%	1,86%	0,00%
c3 At control points	13,67%	70,23%	3,55%	0,00%	0,00%	0,00%	0,00%
c4 At transfer points	0,00%	0,00%	0,00%	0,00%	0,00%	0,00%	0,00%
Percentage of infringements per inspections							
1 In means of transport							
In number of animals							
a During transport by road	3,35%	0,38%	0,10%	0,00%	1,90%	0,24%	0,00%
b At the place of destination	0,23%	0,10%	0,18%	0,00%	0,06%	0,11%	0,83%
c1 at markets	0,87%	0,19%	0,04%	0,00%	2,91%	0,02%	#DZIEL/01
c2 at place of departure	0,18%	0,03%	0,10%	0,03%	0,00%	0,01%	0,00%
c3 At control points	13,81%	23,54%	1,02%	0,00%	0,00%	#DZIEL/01	#DZIEL/01
c4 At transfer points	#DZIEL/01	#DZIEL/01	#DZIEL/01	#DZIEL/01	#DZIEL/01	#DZIEL/01	#DZIEL/01
Average % per physical checks	0,34%	0,31%	0,17%	0,02%	0,14%	0,09%	0,12%
d Documents checks	0,15%	1,38%	4,29%	0,09%	1,39%	3,38%	0,33%

The analysis of the main infringements detected during inspections carried out in 2012 in the field of the protection of animals during transport.

No.	Kind of infringements found	Number of infringements	Number and kind of actions taken on the basis of Act of Animal protection or other legal acts				
			Notification to Police or prosecutor	Suspension or withdrawal of transporter authorization, certificate of approval of means of transport by road or certificate of competence	Sanction on art. 23 of Reg. 1/2005	Sanction on art. 26 Reg. 1/2005	other
1.	Fitness for transport	179	5	2	1	1	59
2.	Density	40	2	0	1	7	27
3.	Ventilation	7	1	0	0	4	2
4.	Construction and technical condition of mean of transport	231	12	0	11	28	150
5.	Segregation of animals	4	0	1	0	1	2
6.	Lack of approval for transporter	35	10	0	0	14	11
7.	Lack of certificate for mean of transport	4	1	0	0	1	2
8.	Lack of license for driver and attendance	36	4	0	1	15	16
9.	Lack or improperly filled in journey log	124	0	2	0	72	49
10.	Exceeding the time of transport, lack of the rest in control point	33	1	0	0	23	8
11.	Loading/unloading (handling the animals; equipment used for loading and unloading)	56	1	0	9	9	37
12.	Feeding and watering (lack of access to water, lack of equipment for feeding and watering, lack of the feeding stuff or	23	1	0	0	1	19

	water)						
	Other	94	10	1	3	3	78
13.	Other concerning the documentation	269	3	0	4	80	175
	TOTAL	1135	51	6	30	259	635

The analysis of the information which were sent by the regional veterinary officers concerning the main infringements detected during the inspections of means of transport shows that:

- the most frequently found discrepancies because as many as 468 cases concerned **the documentation** including 199 irregularities concerned documents such as approval for transporter, certificate for mean of transport, license for driver and attendance and journey log;
- the following group of discrepancies concerns **construction and technical condition of mean of transport**, found in 231 cases;
- the third group in terms of the number of irregularities concerned **fitness for transport**.

The action plan to correct the main infringements detected during inspections carried out in 2012 in the field of the protection of animals during transport.

The Chief Veterinary Officer having regard to the need to strengthen the supervision of the transport of animals so that there is no transport of animals unfit for transport:

- in 2012 via the letter to the Regional Veterinary Officers reminded the official veterinarians that in the case of animals that cannot move on their own they cannot be transported, but must be a subject to emergency slaughter or euthanasia. Moreover, the guidelines on emergency slaughter of animals in the places, where the animals are gathered for further transport for official veterinarians supervise the above mentioned places have been developed.
- the Chief Veterinary Officer by the letter GIWz-410-13/2013 of 4 April 2013, directed the procedure on the supervision of the movement of animals to slaughter, particularly moved via collection centers (procedure includes all species, however, focuses on cattle and horses as a species identified as most at risk of these abnormalities during transport).

According to the above mentioned procedure in each case of the transport of animals unfit for transport, the official veterinarian shall notify the district veterinary officer including the data of the owner of the animals, which will allow for an inspection at the farm and referral to law enforcement authorities.

