

Table 4. Analysis of major deficiencies detected during the non-discriminatory inspections and action plan to address them as provided for in Article 27(2) of Regulation (EC) No 1/2005

Hungary

2014

**1. ANALYSIS OF THE MAJOR DEFICIENCIES DETECTED DURING THE NON-DISCRIMINATORY INSPECTIONS**

For the purpose of this annual report, the following have been considered to be major deficiencies:

The number of illegal consignments from Poland to Romania is expected to grow due to the complication of the unsolved epidemiological situation caused by CSF and ASF in Poland. The stop and inspection of closed vans not suitable for live animal transport during journey by the veterinary authority is not possible without the contribution of the National Tax and Customs Administration and the police. The concurrent seizure of the series of consignments (convoys) is nearly impossible, because of the mobile phone connection between illegal pig carriers.

Four notifications have been received concerning irregular transport of animals in Derecske District in 2014, in these four cases Romanian citizens tried to transport pigs bought in Poland into Romania through the border crossing point. They were not able to show any certificate of the animals, the transport vehicles were not registered and the consignment was not recorded in the TRACES system. The animal transports were appropriate neither from epidemiological nor from animal welfare point of view, therefore the animals were culled and destroyed by ATEV Zrt. after the seizure. A total of 611 045 HUJF food chain control fine was imposed on the transporters.

Berettyófalu District: Irregularities concerning Regulation (EC) No 1/2005 have been revealed on 15 occasions in the district in 2014. In all the 15 cases failures have been found in the documentation of the consignment, vehicle and transporter person, in 8 cases because of the non-compliance of the traceability and identifiability the animals have been killed. Food chain control fine was imposed in all cases.

In one case (INTRA . NL . 2014 . 0047087 RO – 2014.06.12. Csengersima border crossing point) the TRACES certificate was submitted in separate sheets.

In another case (INTRA.SK.2014.0007916 -- 2014.06.13. Csengersima border crossing point) the Slovakian pigs transported through Hungary were marked only with marking hammer. From the 106 checked cases the journey logs were missed in 20 cases, the printed data of the navigation system (GPS) were missed in 15 cases.

**2. ACTION PLAN TO ADDRESS THE DEFICIENCIES DESCRIBED UNDER POINT 1.**

There would be needed to perform a spatially and temporally harmonized inspection by the Polish-Slovakian-Hungarian-Romanian animal health authorities and police forces in several countries simultaneously.

The imposed animal welfare penalty is not sufficiently dissuasive, because usually it is not demandable.

The seizure of the transport vehicle would be necessary as a guarantee in the case of seized live animal consignments until the payment of the penalty (English practice). This more sufficient practice would retain the illegal transporters better and would improve payment rate of the animal welfare fines.