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

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 majority of the instances of non-compliance detected continue to relate to documentation: failure to provide the authorisation for the transporter or means of transport, or the certificate of qualification,

Other irregularities detected were:

Transport of unfit animals

Irregularities in the means of transport (absence of insulation on roofs, absence of ventilation, not suitable for long journeys)

Excessive load densities Logbooks completed incorrectly or not returned, lapsed authorisations or unregistered vehicles.

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

The following are the main measures to be taken to address the instances of non-compliance described:

Improved training for all personnel involved in the transport of live animals (transporters, drivers, security forces and bodies, livestock farmers, holding and slaughterhouse veterinarians).

As far as unfit animals are concerned, standardised working procedures for all staff have been drawn up.

Increase the percentage of inspections in relation to specific transports where the most instances of non-compliance were detected.

Step up checks on logbooks.

Facilitate communications between competent authorities, security forces and bodies and transporters.