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<b>SUMMARY REPORT</b>
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**A.01 General information by third countries.**

No item raised.

**B.01 Exchange of views and possible opinion of the Committee on a draft Commission Implementing Decision on the evolution of animal diseases in third countries.**

No item raised.

**B.02 Exchange of views and possible technical agreement of the Committee on a draft Commission Implementing Regulation establishing the list of animals and goods, including their codes from the Common Nomenclature, to be subjected to official controls at border control posts.**

Item was withdrawn from the Agenda.

**B.03 Exchange of views and possible opinion of the Committee on a draft Commission Implementing Decision amending Annex II to Decision 2007/777/EC as regards the entries for Bosnia and Herzegovina and Russia in the list of third countries or parts thereof from which the introduction into the Union of meat products and treated stomachs, bladders and intestines is authorised.**

The Commission explained to the Member States that the proposed amendment concerns the authorisation of Bosnia and Herzegovina for the import into the Union of meat products of poultry and the authorisation of Russia for meat products of poultry subject to treatment “D” instead of treatment “A” as it is currently, due to the confirmation of highly pathogenic avian influenza outbreaks on the territory of the country.

**Vote taken:** Favourable opinion.

**B.04 Exchange of views and possible opinion of the Committee on a draft Commission Implementing Regulation (EU) to lay down detailed rules on minimum requirements for border control posts, including inspection centres, and for the format, categories and abbreviations to use for listing border control posts and control points.**

The draft was well received by Member States mainly thanks to the flexibility granted. Some Member States asked for clarifications to the Commission in relation to the most recent amendments. One Member State had some concerns about the controls on animal health, and another one, while supporting the draft in general, requested to postpone the vote in order to better assess the new amendments.

**Vote taken:** Favourable opinion.

**B.05 Exchange of views and possible opinion of the Committee on a draft Commission Implementing Regulation amending Annexes I and II to Regulation (EU) No 206/2010 as regards the models of veterinary certificates BOV-X, OVI-X, OVI-Y and RUM and the lists of third countries, territories or parts thereof from which the introduction into the Union of certain ungulates and of fresh meat is authorised.**

As regards Canada, the competent authority requested to be recognised as seasonally free of epizootic haemorrhagic disease between 1 November and 15 May based on the information submitted in 2016 to be recognised seasonally free of bluetongue. *Culicoides* species are the transmission vectors for both diseases and the standards of the OIE for demonstration of seasonal freedom of epizootic haemorrhagic disease are equivalent to those for bluetongue. Consequently, the relevant models of veterinary certificates need to be amended.

For Argentina, the competent authorities requested the Commission to authorise part of its territory known as "*Patagonia Norte A*" for introduction into the Union of fresh bone-in meat of certain ungulates. This region, previously included in AR-1, was recognised as free from FMD without vaccination by the OIE in 2013. Besides, the Commission services carried out an audit in March 2018 and its outcome was favourable.

The competent authorities of Argentina also submitted a request to delete a footnote from the list related to restrictions on imports of fresh meat of certain wild ruminants from certain departments of the province of Corrientes. The Commission considers that the current animal health situation in that area justifies the deletion of that footnote.

The Commission took this opportunity to update the UN provisional reference for the Former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia for the Republic of North Macedonia to reflect the outcome of the bilateral agreement reached in June 2018 between Athens and Skopje.

**Vote taken:** Favourable opinion.

#### **M.01 PAFF Committee Meeting on Brexit - 9 April 2019.**

Following the decision of the European Council to extend further the period provided for in Article 50(3) TEU extending Brexit until 31 October 2019, the Commission informed Member States that the 16 legal acts voted at the PAFF Committee of 9 April will be adopted on 11/04 and published in the Official Journal on 13/04. The Commission further clarified that the legal texts will not apply. A new vote could take place taking into account further developments. No comments/questions were raised by Member States.