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SUMMARY REPORT

A.01 Presentation and possible endorsement of the revised EURL technical guidance on the implementation of the Standard EN ISO 19036:2019 for the estimation of measurement uncertainty associated with the enumeration of Listeria monocytogenes, coagulase positive staphylococci and Campylobacter in the food chain

EURLs for Campylobacter, Coagulase Positive Staphylococci and Listeria monocytogenes have collaborated to update the guide providing NRLs and official laboratories guidance on how to implement the Standard EN ISO 19036:2019 for the estimation of measurement uncertainty associated with the enumeration of the 3 concerned bacteria in samples from the food chain. The guide has been endorsed by the Committee. Netherlands requested further discussions on the consequences of this guide within the microbiological criteria working group.

C.01 Exchange of views of the Committee on a draft Commission Implementing Regulation amending Implementing Regulation (EU) 2015/1375 as regards Trichinella control in relation to cutting of carcases and alternative analytical methods

Regulation (EC) 2015/1375 allows the cutting of carcases of domestic swine into more than 6 parts before the result from Trichinella testing is known, subject to certain conditions. One of the conditions is that, in case of warm cutting, this is only possible for the production of specific products.

The limitation to the production of specific products has no scientific basis and is not a limitation laid down for warm cutting in Regulation (EC) No 853/2004. This limitation should therefore be removed from Regulation (EU) 2015/1375, aligning the conditions for warm cutting in both Regulations.

The proposed amendment will also be used to update references in Annex I, Chapter II, to align with the amendment made in Chapter I by the adoption of Commission Implementing Regulation (EU) 2020/1478 as regards the EU reference method. Positive reaction by the Member States, the draft will be presented for an opinion of the Committee during the Standing Committee on Plants, Animals, Food and Feed, Section Biological Safety of the Food Chain, of 1st July 2022

C.02 Exchange of views of the Committee on a draft Commission Implementing Regulation amending Commission Regulation (EU) 2019/627 as regards practical arrangements for the performance of official controls on products of animal origin

The revision aims to extend the possibility to not classify production and relaying areas for the harvest of all echinoderms that are not filter feeders. It adds analytical methods to detect the prior freezing of fishery products. Positive reaction by the Member States, the draft will be presented for an opinion of the Committee during the Standing Committee on Plants, Animals, Food and Feed, Section Biological Safety of the Food Chain, of 1st July 2022.

C.03 Exchange of views of the Committee on a draft Commission Implementing Regulation amending Commission Regulation (EU) 2020/2235 as regards model official certificates for the entry into the Union for certain fishery products, highly refined products and model private attestation for composite products

The revision aims to align the relevant model certificates with amendments to Regulation (EC) No 853/2004 by Regulation [SANTE/2021/11310] as regards fishery products, echinoderms and highly refined products and adapt the model private attestation for certain composite products after a first period of implementation. Positive reaction by the Member States, the draft will be presented for an opinion of the Committee during the Standing Committee on Plants, Animals, Food and Feed, Section Biological Safety of the Food Chain, of 1st July 2022.