



**Minutes from the Experts Group meeting with Member States**

**"Official Controls on animals and goods (including plants) entering the EU:  
Delegated acts under Regulation EU 2017/625"**

Thursday 28 February 2019, 12H15 – 13H30

**Chair:** Tim Gumbel, Deputy Head of Unit G3, European Commission (COM)

**Members:** EU Member States (MS): AT, BE, BG, CZ, DE, DK, EE, ES, FI, FR, HR, IE, IT, LT, LU, LV, MT, NL, PL, SE, SI, SK, UK

	TOPIC	BACKGROUND
1	<p><b>Art 50.4: CHED – update</b></p> <p>COM presented a draft Delegated Regulation on the Common Health Entry Document (CHED) accompanying consignments of animals and goods to their destination.</p> <p>COM informed the MS about the editorial changes made to the draft further to comments from the Legal Service (as regards the attempt to establish a definition of a subsequent CHED) and DG TAXUD (as regards the quantity management). MS were also informed that the draft is currently subject to an on-line public consultation until 12 March 2019, after which the comments received will be carefully assessed before the Delegated Regulation, after a possibility for MS to check the respective translations, will be finally adopted.</p> <p>COM presented some clarifications concerning IMSOC, quantity management and the copies of the CHED. MS suggested some further editorial changes to the draft, which COM will consider before finalising the text.</p>	<p>Draft document shared with Member States ahead of the meeting</p>
2	<p><b>Art 53.1.a + Art 53.1.e: (Delegated act) Identity and physical checks at control points other than border control posts (PCPs) and documentary checks on consignments of plants, plant products and other objects performed at distance from BCPs</b></p> <p>COM presented a revised draft, which in addition to rules concerning identity and physical checks performed on certain categories of goods at control points previously discussed with MS, set out requirements for documentary checks on consignments of plants, plant products and other objects to be performed at distance from BCPs.</p> <p>The derogation added in point 6 was overall well received. The main concern was in relation to separate CHED. In that respect, the COM</p>	<p>Draft document shared with Member States ahead of the meeting</p>

	<p>indicated that, after a consultation with the unit in charge of IMSOC, a separate CHED is needed, adding that documents will be on the same screen so it will limit the administrative burden for the customs' officers.</p> <p>MS made some practical and technical comments in order to clarify the draft.</p> <p>COM invited MS to submit comments by 15<sup>th</sup> March 2019.</p>	
3	<p><b>Art 48 + Art 77.1.abk: Derogations from BCP Controls + Specific Controls – Split, as advised by Legal Service.</b></p> <p>The discussion was postponed to the next Meeting in March.</p> <p>COM pointed out that the next meeting should take place the 26<sup>th</sup> March 2019 and invited MS to save the date.</p>	
	<p><b>Conclusion, end of the meeting</b></p>	