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Subject: **Slovenia's annual report for 2011 on the inspections of animals, means of transport and accompanying documents, pursuant to art. 27 of the Regulation 1/2005/EC**

We are sending you the annual report as required in article 27 of Regulation 1/2005/EC.

Analysis:

There are three important changes in the figures from the year 2011 compared to previous years

In 2011 there was an obvious decrease in transit of small ruminants through Slovenia, which decreased from 1.062.959 to 768.533. The reason for such decrease is yet unknown but it certainly reflects an obvious trend, as the number of small ruminants in transit through Slovenia was 1.207.847 in 2009.

There was a significant increase in the number of performed road side inspections. Again this reflects a trend (349 in 2009, 382 in 2010, and 498 in 2011) caused mostly by the fact that the mobile unit of the Veterinary Administration increased the team by one official veterinarian.

It is evident from the data that the number of roadside checks has increased but the number of official controls on other locations have been decreasing steadily for the past three years. This may be due to reorganization of the work on at regional offices caused by austerity measures.

Action plan:

During the FVO audit on welfare of animals on farms and during transport it has become apparent that official veterinarians do not act consistently while performing some of the tasks related to transport of animals. Dealing with journey logs and calculating feasibility of journey plan are the areas where improvement is needed.

In the period from the Autumn of 2012 until the Spring of 2013, the Slovenian CCA will examine and improve the existing guidelines for official veterinarians involved in animal transport, which will be followed by the relevant training for official veterinarians.

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