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THE EUROPEAN COMMISSION,

Having regard to the Treaty on the Functioning of the European Union,

Having regard to Regulation (EU) No 652/2014 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 15 May 2014 laying down provisions for the management of expenditure relating to the food chain, animal health and animal welfare, and relating to plant health and plant reproductive material, amending Council Directives 98/56/EC, 2000/29/EC and 2008/90/EC, Regulations (EC) No 178/2002, (EC) No 882/2004 and (EC) No 396/2005 of the European Parliament and of the Council, Directive 2009/128/EC of the European Parliament and of the Council and Regulation (EC) No 1107/2009 of the European Parliament and of the Council and repealing Council Decisions 66/399/EEC, 76/894/EEC and 2009/470/EC¹, and in particular Article 36(4) thereof,

Whereas:

- (1) Commission Regulation (EC) No 349/2005² lays down the rules for the payment of a financial contribution from the Union towards emergency measures and of the campaign to combat certain animal diseases under Council Decision 90/424/EEC. Article 7 of that Regulation lays down the documents to be submitted by the Member State requesting the financial contribution from the Union and the deadlines for submitting such documents.
- (2) Commission Implementing Decision 2014/217/EU³ provides for a financial contribution from the Union to be granted to Bulgaria towards the costs incurred by that Member State in taking measures to combat sheep pox in 2013 pursuant to Council Decision 2009/470/EC⁴. Implementing Decision 2014/217/EU further provides that the amount of the financial contribution from the Union is to be fixed in a subsequent decision to be adopted in accordance with the procedure referred therein.
- (3) Regulation (EU) No 652/2014 provides for payments to be made to Member States in those circumstances. In that respect, it provides for the adoption of implementing acts, setting out the financial contribution. That Regulation also repealed Council Decision

¹ OJ L 189, 27.6.2014, p. 1.

² Commission Regulation (EC) No 349/2005 of 28 February 2005 laying down rules on the Community financing of emergency measures and of the campaign to combat certain animal diseases under Council Decision 90/424/EEC (OJ L 55, 1.3.2005, p. 12).

³ Commission Implementing Decision 2014/217/EU of 11 April 2014 on a financial contribution from the Union towards emergency measures to combat sheep pox in Bulgaria in 2013 and in Greece in 2013 and 2014 (OJ L 111, 15.4.2014, p. 94).

⁴ Council Decision 2009/470/EC of 25 May 2009 on expenditure in the veterinary field (OJ L 155, 18.6.2009, p. 30).

2009/470/EC and references to that Decision are to be construed as references to Regulation (EU) No 652/2014.

- (4) Through Decision 2014/217/EU, the requirements of Regulation (EU, Euratom) No 966/2012⁵, in particular Article 84 thereof, have been complied with.
- (5) On 26 May 2014, Bulgaria submitted an official request for reimbursement to the Commission accompanied by a financial report, supporting documents and an epidemiological report on each holding where the animals have been slaughtered and destroyed. The request for reimbursement amounts to EUR 39 593,16. However, following an examination of the documents submitted by that Member State, the amount of EUR 1 491,71 was considered to be ineligible for reimbursement in accordance with Article 5 of Regulation (EC) No 349/2005.
- (6) The measures provided for in this Decision are in accordance with the opinion of the Standing Committee on Plants, Animals, Food and Feed,

HAS ADOPTED THIS DECISION:

Article 1

The financial contribution from the Union towards the expenditure incurred by Bulgaria in 2013 for the financing of emergency measures to combat sheep pox is hereby fixed at EUR 38 101,45.

Article 2

This Decision is addressed to the Republic of Bulgaria.

Done at Brussels, 8.12.2015

For the Commission
Vytenis ANDRIUKAITIS
Member of the Commission

⁵ Regulation (EU, Euratom) No 966/2012 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 25 October 2012 on the financial rules applicable to the general budget of the Union and repealing Council Regulation (EC, Euratom) No 1605/2002 (OJ L 298, 26.10.2012, p. 1).