

# **HIGHLY PATHOGENIC AVIAN INFLUENZA (HPAI)**

## **CHRONOLOGY OF MAIN EVENTS AND LIST OF DECISIONS ADOPTED BY THE EUROPEAN COMMISSION**

### **Response to HPAI outbreaks in EU Member States during 2016**

**Situation as of 22 December 2016**

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This document summarises basic information on the outbreaks of Avian Influenza (AI) in several EU Member States and related EU action. It focuses on the animal health aspects.

For additional information, please refer to the Decisions in the Official Journal, the Commission's [avian influenza webpage](#) and associated [press releases](#). EU legal texts – Commission Decisions (CD) and Regulations (RG) can be accessed via the [EUR-Lex](#) webpages.

For more general animal health information, please refer to the [Commission's webpage](#).

For human health information, please refer to the [Commission's relevant webpage](#) and the website of the [European Centre for Disease Prevention and Control](#).

As regards international organisations please refer to the [AI web pages of the World Animal Health Organisation](#) (OIE), the [AI web pages of the Food and Agriculture Organisation](#) (FAO) and the [AI web pages of the World Health Organisation](#) (WHO).

Virtual faxes on AI occurrences in Member States (MS) and information on the Commission's work are sent to EU Member States and many third countries trading with the EU. These documents are referenced, starting each year with Fax 001. Please note that information on LPAI outbreaks in Member States is not included in this chronology.

Date	Member State	Main event	Action by the European Commission, Member States' authorities and stakeholders
THU 22/12	DK	Update Lifting of restrictions	Fax 119 to CVOs on information from the Danish authorities about the lifting of the measures in relation to an outbreak of high pathogenic avian influenza of the subtype H5N8 in a backyard poultry holding in Ålsgårde, in the municipality of Helsingør on Zealand
		Publication of CID <a href="#">2016/2367</a>	CID 2016/2367 amending the Annex to Implementing Decision (EU) 2016/2122 on protective measures in relation to outbreaks of the highly pathogenic avian influenza of subtype H5N8 in certain Member States.
WED 21/12	PL	Update HPAI H5N8 confirmed outbreaks in poultry	Fax 117 to CVOs on information from the Polish authorities about the current epidemiological situation related to outbreaks of highly pathogenic avian influenza of subtype H5N8 in poultry holdings located in Lubuskie, in Małopolskie and in Podkarpackie regions.
	BG	Update HPAI H5N8 confirmed outbreaks in poultry	Fax 116 to CVOs on information received from the Bulgarian authorities about the epidemiological situation as regards outbreaks of highly pathogenic avian influenza (HPAI) of subtype H5N8 in poultry and other captive birds holdings located in the following regions: Vidin, Vratsa and Plovdiv.
	DE FR HU NL PL UK BG	Implementing Decision adopted	Fax 115 to CVOs informing about the adoption of Commission Implementing Decision amending the Annex to Implementing Decision (EU) 2016/2122 on protective measures in relation to outbreaks of the highly pathogenic avian influenza of subtype H5N8 in certain Member States (document SANTE/7155/2016 and SANTE/7155/2016 Annex Rev 1).
	RO	Update Detection HPAI H5N8 In wild birds	Fax 114 to CVOs on information received from the Romanian authorities about the detection of highly pathogenic avian influenza (HPAI) of subtype H5N8 in two wild geese found dead in Lake Suhaia, Teleorman county
	Greece	Detection HPAI H5N8 In wild bird	Fax 113 to CVOs on information received from the Greek authorities about the detection of highly pathogenic avian influenza (HPAI) of subtype H5 in a mute swan found dead in delta of Evros river in vicinity of Greek-Turkish border.

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TUE 20/12	NL	Update HPAI H5N8 confirmed outbreaks in poultry	<b>Fax 112</b> to CVOs on information received from the Dutch authorities about further outbreaks of highly pathogenic avian influenza (HPAI) of subtype H5 in poultry holdings in the Netherlands. This includes the disease control measures taken in accordance to Directive 2005/94/EC and the protection and surveillance zones around the infected holdings.
	HU	Update HPAI H5N8 confirmed outbreaks in poultry	<b>Fax 111</b> to CVOs on information received from the Hungarian authorities about a further primary and secondary outbreaks of highly pathogenic avian influenza (HPAI) of subtype H5N8 in poultry holding in Hungary. The disease control measures taken, including the protection and surveillance zones around the infected holdings.
MON 19/12	DE	Update HPAI H5N8 confirmed outbreaks in poultry	<b>Fax 110</b> to CVOs on information received from the German authorities about outbreaks of highly pathogenic avian influenza (HPAI) of subtype H5N8 in a poultry holding in Landkreis Soest, North Rhine-Westphalia and in Landkreis Jerichower Land, Saxony-Anhalt..
	DE FR HU NL PL UK BG	Consultation on protective measures	<b>Fax</b> to CVOs consulting Member States by written procedure as foreseen in the standard rules of the Standing Committee on Plants, Animals, Food and Feed on draft Commission Implementing Decision amending the Annex to Implementing Decision (EU) 2016/2122 on protective measures in relation to outbreaks of the highly pathogenic avian influenza of subtype H5N8 in certain Member States (document SANTE/7155/2016 and SANTE/7155/2016 Annex).
	Bulgaria	HPAI H5N8 confirmed outbreaks in poultry	<b>Fax 109</b> to CVOs on information received from the authorities of Bulgaria about outbreaks of highly pathogenic avian influenza (HPAI) of subtype H5N8 in poultry and other captive birds holdings located in the following regions: Vidin, Vratsa and Plovdiv. Measures according to Directive 2005/94/EC are implemented including the establishment of the protection and surveillance zones.
SAT 17/12	The United Kingdom	HPAI H5N8 confirmed outbreak in poultry	<b>Fax 108</b> to CVOs on information received from the authorities of the United Kingdom about an outbreak of highly pathogenic avian influenza (HPAI) of subtype H5N8 in a fattening turkey holding located in Louth, Lincolnshire. Measures according to Directive 2005/94/EC are implemented including the establishment of the protection and surveillance zones.

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FRI 16/12	DE	Update HPAI H5N8 confirmed outbreaks in poultry	Fax 107 to CVOs on information received from the German authorities about an outbreak of highly pathogenic avian influenza (HPAI) of subtype H5N8 in a poultry holding in Landkreis Vechta, and also about an outbreak of low pathogenic avian influenza (LPAI) of subtype H5 in a poultry holding in Landkreis Diepholz, both located in Lower Saxony.
	CH	Update HPAI H5N8 situation in wild birds	Fax 106 to CVOs on information received from the Swiss authorities about the current situation of highly pathogenic avian influenza (HPAI) in Switzerland in wild birds.
		Publication of CID <a href="#">2016/2279</a>	CID 2016/2279 amending the Annex to Implementing Decision (EU) 2016/2122 on protective measures in relation to outbreaks of the highly pathogenic avian influenza of subtype H5N8 in certain Member States.
	HU	Update HPAI H5N8 confirmed outbreaks in poultry	Fax 104 to CVOs on information received from the Hungarian authorities about a further primary outbreak of highly pathogenic avian influenza (HPAI) of subtype H5N8 in laying hens holding in Kerekegyháza locality, Bács-Kiskun County. The disease control measures taken, including the protection and surveillance zones around the infected holding.
THU 15/12	HU DE FR	Implementing Decision adopted	Fax 103 to CVOs informing about the adoption of Commission Implementing Decision amending the Annex to Implementing Decision (EU) 2016/2122 on protective measures in relation to outbreaks of the highly pathogenic avian influenza of subtype H5N8 in certain Member States (document SANTE/7154/2016 and SANTE/7154/2016 Annex).
	NL	Detection HPAI H5N5 In wild birds	Fax 102 to CVOs on information received from the Dutch authorities about the detection of HPAI H5N5 in two tufted ducks found dead.
	PL	Update HPAI H5N8 confirmed outbreaks in poultry	Fax 101 to CVOs on information received from the Polish authorities about the second confirmed outbreak of highly pathogenic avian influenza of subtype H5N8 in a poultry (turkeys) holding located in the village of Glinik, Lubuskie region, within the established protection area around the first outbreak. The protection and surveillance zones established around the first outbreak of HPAI have been enlarged accordingly.
WED 14/12	FR	Update HPAI and LPAI situation	Fax 100 to CVOs on received from the French authorities about the situation as of 8 December 2016 and the measures taken in relation to highly pathogenic avian influenza (HPAI) and low pathogenic avian influenza (LPAI) in poultry in France.

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TUE 13/12	NL	Update HPAI H5N8 confirmed outbreaks in poultry	<b>Fax 099</b> to CVOs on information received from the Dutch authorities about a 4th outbreak of highly pathogenic avian influenza (HPAI) of subtype H5 in a commercial laying hen holding, situated in Abbega, province of Friesland. Disease control measures according to Directive 2005/94/EC are taken, including the establishment of the protection and surveillance zones around the infected holding.
	HU FR DE	Consultation on protective measures	<b>Fax</b> to CVOs consulting Member States by written procedure as foreseen in the standard rules of the Standing Committee on Plants, Animals, Food and Feed on draft Commission Implementing Decision amending the Annex to Implementing Decision (EU) 2016/2122 on protective measures in relation to outbreaks of the highly pathogenic avian influenza of subtype H5N8 in certain Member States (document SANTE/7154/2016 and SANTE/7154/2016 Annex).
	HU	Update HPAI H5N8 confirmed outbreak in poultry	<b>Fax 098</b> to CVOs on information received from the Hungarian authorities about further primary outbreaks of highly pathogenic avian influenza (HPAI) of subtype H5N8 in turkey holding in Jász-Nagykun-Szolnok County and in ducks holdings in Csongrád and Bács-Kiskun Counties. Additionally the secondary outbreaks have been confirmed in Bács-Kiskun County (83), in Békés County (4) and in Csongrád County (5). The disease control measures taken, including the protection and surveillance zones around the infected holding.
FRI 9/12		Publication of CID <a href="#">2016/2219</a>	<b>CID 2016/2219</b> amending the Annex to Implementing Decision (EU) 2016/2122 on protective measures in relation to outbreaks of the highly pathogenic avian influenza of subtype H5N8 in certain Member States.
THU 8/12	HU DE NL FR PL	Implementing Decision adopted	<b>Fax 096</b> to CVOs informing about the adoption of Commission Implementing Decision amending the Annex to Implementing Decision (EU) 2016/2122 on protective measures in relation to outbreaks of the highly pathogenic avian influenza of subtype H5N8 in certain Member States (document SANTE/7152/2016 and SANTE/7152/2016 Annex).
	DE	Update HPAI H5N8 confirmed outbreak in captive birds	<b>Fax 095</b> to CVOs on information received from the German authorities about outbreaks of highly pathogenic avian influenza (HPAI) of subtype H5N8 in captive birds in Hamburg and in Hesse, and also about an outbreak of low pathogenic avian influenza (LPAI) of subtype H5N1 in a poultry holding in Brandenburg.
	HU	Update HPAI H5N8 confirmed outbreak in poultry	<b>Fax 094</b> to CVOs on information received from the Hungarian authorities about further outbreak of highly pathogenic avian influenza (HPAI) of subtype H5N8 in turkey holding in Algyó village in Csongrád County. The disease control measures taken, including the protection and surveillance zones around the infected holding.

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	CH	Update HPAI H5N8 situation in wild birds	Fax 093 to CVOs on information received from the Swiss authorities about the current situation of highly pathogenic avian influenza (HPAI) in Switzerland in wild birds since 1 December 2016.
	SE	Update HPAI H5N8 situation	Fax 092 to CVOs on information received from the Swedish authorities about the highly pathogenic avian influenza (HPAI) situation in Sweden since 28 November 2016.
WED 7/12		Council CVO meeting	The avian influenza situation was discussed at a meeting of chief veterinary officers in the Council. The conclusions of the working group of the previous day were confirmed. The good collaboration between the Commission and Member States as well as between Member States was highlighted. The director of the EU reference laboratory for avian influenza gave a very illustrative presentation of the current epidemic and concluded that the epidemic might last until late spring. The threat is not only linked to the bird migration period, but also the contamination of the environment with virus that can survive for extended period and continue to pose a risk for virus introduction into holdings. Maintenance of a high biosecurity level is key.
TUE 6/12	AT, DK NL, SE HU, FR RO, FI SE, PL	Working group on HPAI H5N8	Working group on disease control measures implemented in Member States for HPAI H5N8 outbreaks in poultry and wild birds. As a conclusion the Commission will present a draft decision on protective measures on biosecurity and early detection in relation to H5N8 detection in wild birds.
	HU DE NL FR PL	Consultation on protective measures	Fax to CVOs consulting Member States by written procedure as foreseen in the standard rules of the Standing Committee on Plants, Animals, Food and Feed on draft Commission Implementing Decision amending the Annex to Implementing Decision (EU) 2016/2122 on protective measures in relation to outbreaks of the highly pathogenic avian influenza of subtype H5N8 in certain Member States (document SANTE/7152/2016 and SANTE/7152/2016 Annex).
MON 5/12	PL	HPAI H5N8 confirmed outbreak in poultry	Fax 091 to CVOs on information from the Polish authorities about a first confirmed outbreak of highly pathogenic avian influenza of subtype H5N8 in a poultry (predominantly geese) holding located in Lubuskie region. Disease control measures are being implemented including the establishment of protection and surveillance zones around the infected holding.
SAT 3/12	FR	Update HPAI H5N8 confirmed outbreaks in poultry	Fax 090 to CVOs on information received from the French authorities about the second confirmed outbreak of highly pathogenic avian influenza of subtype H5N8 in a duck holding in the department Tarn and the establishment of the epidemiological link to the notified secondary outbreaks also in duck holdings in departments Gers, Lot et Garonne and Hautes Pyrenees. Disease control measures are being implemented including the establishment of protection and surveillance zones around the infected holdings and standstill within the radius of ten kilometres.

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		Publication of CID <a href="#">2016/2122</a>	CID 2016/2122 on protective measures in relation to highly pathogenic avian influenza of subtype H5N8 in certain Member States.
FRI 2/12	NL	Update HPAI H5N8 confirmed outbreaks in poultry	Fax 088 to CVOs on information received from the Dutch authorities about two further outbreaks of highly pathogenic avian influenza (HPAI) of subtype H5 in duck holdings in the Biddinghuizen municipality, Flevoland. The disease control measures taken, including the establishment of protection and surveillance zones around the infected holding.
	DE	Update HPAI H5N8 confirmed outbreaks in poultry	Fax 087 to CVOs on information received from the German authorities about an outbreak of highly pathogenic avian influenza (HPAI) of subtype H5N8 of in a non-commercial poultry holding in the municipality of Neukloster, Landkreis Nordwestmecklenburg, Mecklenburg-Vorpommern. All poultry was culled and safely destroyed and the diseases control measures taken.
	HU	Update HPAI H5N8 confirmed outbreaks in poultry	Fax 086 to CVOs on information received from the Hungarian authorities about further outbreaks of highly pathogenic avian influenza (HPAI) of subtype H5N8. in duck holding in Biharugra locality in Békés County and in duck holding in Szentes locality in Csongrád County (map enclosed). The disease control measures taken.
	DK, DE, HU, NL, AT, SE	Implementing Decision adopted	Fax 085 to CVOs informing about the adoption of Commission Implementing Decision on protective measures in relation to highly pathogenic avian influenza of subtype H5N8 in certain Member States (document SANTE/7140/2016).
	FR	HPAI H5N8 confirmed outbreak in poultry	Fax 084 to CVOs on information received from the French authorities about a confirmed outbreak of highly pathogenic avian influenza (HPAI) of subtype H5N8 in duck holding in the commune of Almayrac, Tarn department in southern France. All birds present on the holding will be culled. Protection and surveillance zones have been established around the infected holding and epidemiological investigations and surveillance are ongoing.
THU 1/12	CH	Update 5 HPAI H5N8 detected in wild birds	Fax 083 to CVOs on information received from the Swiss authorities about further detections of highly pathogenic avian influenza of subtype H5N8 in different well- identified wild bird species. The birds have been found dead along the River Rhein and at lake Gruyère previously not affected by those findings.

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	HU	Update HPAI H5N8 confirmed outbreaks in poultry	Fax 082 to CVOs on information received from the Hungarian authorities about further outbreaks of highly pathogenic avian influenza (HPAI) of subtype H5N8 in poultry holdings and the disease control measures taken in Bács-Kiskun and Csongrád Counties. The HPAI H5N8 virus was also detected in mute swans found dead in Komárom-Esztergom County.
	FR	France HPAI H5N8 Detection in decoy bird	Fax 081 to CVOs on information received from the French authorities about the detection of highly pathogenic avian influenza of subtype H5N8 in Pas de Calais, in decoy birds kept for hunting purposes and the disease control measures taken.
		<a href="#">Press release</a>	Member States supported on 30/11 a draft Commission Decision consolidating the protective measures in relation to outbreaks of highly pathogenic avian influenza (HPAI) of subtype H5N8 in several Member States. The Commission called on Member States authorities, and the poultry sector, for extreme vigilance over this virus, and in particular the stepping up of biosecurity on poultry farms.
WED 30/11	DK, DE, HU, NL, AT, SE	Implementing Decision voted	Fax 080 to CVOs informing about the favourable opinion obtained of the Committee on the draft legal text for on protective measures in relation to highly pathogenic avian influenza of subtype H5N8 in certain Member States (document SANTE/7140/2016).
		Meeting PAFF <sup>1</sup> Committee	<a href="#">Hungary</a> , <a href="#">Germany</a> , <a href="#">Austria</a> , <a href="#">the Netherlands</a> , <a href="#">Denmark</a> , <a href="#">Sweden</a> , Finland, <a href="#">Croatia</a> , <a href="#">Romania</a> and <a href="#">Poland</a> reported on the situation on highly pathogenic avian influenza of subtype H5N8 in wild birds and in poultry. The Commission presented a draft Commission Implementing Decision on protective measures in relation to highly pathogenic avian influenza of subtype H5N8 in certain Member States (document SANTE/7140/2016) for a vote and obtained a favourable opinion of the Committee.
TUE 29/11		Publication of interim CID SE: <a href="#">2016/2086</a> NL: <a href="#">2016/2085</a>	<b>CID 2016/2086</b> concerning certain interim protective measures in relation to highly pathogenic avian influenza of subtype H5N8 in the Sweden.  <b>CID 2016/2085</b> concerning certain interim protective measures in relation to highly pathogenic avian influenza of subtype H5N8 in the Netherlands.
SUN 27/11	HU	Updates HPAI H5N8 in poultry	Fax 078 to CVOs information received from the Hungarian authorities about further outbreaks of highly pathogenic avian influenza (HPAI) of subtype H5N8 in poultry holdings and the disease control measures taken in Bács-Kiskun County.

<sup>1</sup> Standing Committee on Plants, Animals, Food and Feed – Comitology Committee chaired by the Commission, including veterinary experts from all MS's governments ([http://ec.europa.eu/food/animals/health/regulatory\\_committee/index\\_en.htm](http://ec.europa.eu/food/animals/health/regulatory_committee/index_en.htm))



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SAT 26/11	DE	<b>Update 4 HPAI H5N8 in poultry and captive birds</b>	<b>Fax 077</b> to CVOs on information received from the German authorities about two further outbreaks of highly pathogenic avian influenza (HPAI) of subtype H5N8 in poultry and captive birds in the Land Mecklenburg West Pomerania and the disease control measures taken.
	NL	<b>HPAI H5 Outbreak in poultry</b>	<b>Fax 076</b> to CVOs on information received from the Dutch authorities about an outbreak of highly pathogenic avian influenza (HPAI) of subtype H5 in a fattening duck holding in Biddinghuizen, in the province of Flevoland, and the disease control measures taken.
FRI 25/11	DE	<b>Update 3 HPAI H5N8 in poultry and wild birds</b>	<b>Fax 075</b> to CVOs on information received from the German authorities about further outbreaks of HPAI H5N8 in poultry in Landkreis Cloppenburg, Lower Saxony and in Landkreis Harz, Saxony-Anhalt. The Swedish authorities are culling the poultry on the infected farm and have established protection and surveillance zones according to Directive 2005/94/EC.
		<b>Publication of CID DE, HU: <a href="#">2016/2064</a> DK: <a href="#">2016/2065</a></b>	<b>CID 2016/2064</b> amending the Annexes to Implementing Decisions (EU) 2016/1968 and (EU) 2016/2011 concerning certain protective measures in relation to highly pathogenic avian influenza of subtype H5N8 in Hungary and Germany.  <b>CID 2016/2065</b> concerning certain protective measures in relation to highly pathogenic avian influenza of subtype H5N8 in Denmark.
THU 24/11	SE	<b>HPAI H5N8 1st outbreak confirmed in poultry</b>	<b>Fax 073</b> to CVOs on information received from the Swedish authorities about the confirmation of HPAI H5 in a laying hen holding in the municipality of Helsingborg, County of Skåne. The Swedish authorities are culling the poultry on the infected farm and have established protection and surveillance zones according to Directive 2005/94/EC.
	CH	<b>Update 4 HPAI H5N8 detected in wild birds</b>	<b>Fax 072</b> to CVOs on updated information received from the Swiss authorities about further detections of highly pathogenic avian influenza of subtype H5N8 in different wild bird species. The birds have been found dead around three Swiss lakes previously not affected by those findings.
WED 23/11	SE	<b>Sweden HPAI H5N8 detected in a wild bird</b>	<b>Fax 071</b> to CVOs on information received from the Swedish authorities about the confirmation of highly pathogenic avian influenza virus of the subtype H5N8 in a wild bird (common goldeneye) in the county of Skåne in southern Sweden. Also in the county of Skåne close to Helsingborg, a laying hen farm has tested positive for avian influenza virus A of subtype H5. The holding was placed under restrictions. Final results are expected for the following day.

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TUE 22/11	HU	Hungary HPAI H5N8 8-14 <sup>th</sup> outbreaks confirmed in poultry	<b>Fax 070</b> to CVOs on information received from the Hungarian authorities about further outbreaks in domestic waterfowl holdings in three counties. The Hungarian authorities put in place the measures of council directive 2005/94/EC include the areas put under restrictions by the Hungarian authorities according to Directive 2005/94/EC in relation to these latest outbreaks.
	DE	HPAI H5N8 4 <sup>th</sup> -7 <sup>th</sup> outbreak confirmed in poultry	<b>Fax 069 to CVOs</b> on information received from the German authorities on the confirmation of highly pathogenic avian influenza (HPAI) of subtype H5N8 in four backyard poultry farms and a wildlife park in the Land Mecklenburg Vorpommern. Measures according to Directive 2005/94/EC were immediately implemented. Epidemiological investigations were initiated and contact of poultry with wild birds is considered the most likely cause for virus introduction into holdings. Avian influenza of H5 subtype was detected on two commercial geese holdings in Schleswig Holstein. Laboratory investigations are ongoing to determine if it is the highly pathogenic avian influenza strain H5N8, which has been confirmed in 293 wild birds found dead in all German Länder with the exception of Brandenburg, Rhineland-Palatinate, Saarland, Saxony-Anhalt and Thuringia.
	DK DE HU	Consultation on protective measures	<b>Fax to CVOs</b> consulting Member States by written procedure as foreseen in the standard rules of the Standing Committee on Plants, Animals, Food and Feed on 1) a draft Commission Implementing Decision amending the Annexes to Implementing Decision (EU) 2016/1968 and (EU) 2016/2011 concerning certain protective measures in relation to highly pathogenic avian influenza of subtype H5N8 in Hungary and Germany and 2) Draft Commission Implementing Decision concerning certain protective measures in relation to highly pathogenic avian influenza of subtype H5N8 in Denmark.
MON 21/11	NL	HPAI H5N8 detected in captive birds	<b>Fax 068</b> to CVOs on information received from the the Dutch authorities on a confirmed outbreak of highly pathogenic avian influenza of subtype H5N8 in a flock of captive birds in Den Ouver in the province of Noord Holland and the disease control measures taken. The Dutch authorities considered that the risk of further virus spread from that captive bird holding was negligible and did therefore not establish protection and surveillance zones.
	DK	Denmark HPAI H5N8 1 <sup>st</sup> outbreak confirmed in poultry	<b>Fax 067</b> to CVOs on information received from the Danish authorities on a confirmed outbreak of highly pathogenic avian influenza of subtype H5N8 in a poultry flock town Ålsgårde, municipality of Helsingør on Zeeland. Disease control measures are being implemented including the establishment of protection and surveillance zones around the infected holding.
SAT 19/11	HU	HPAI H5N8 7 <sup>th</sup> outbreak confirmed in poultry	<b>Fax 066</b> to CVOs on information received from the Hungarian authorities about a further outbreak of HPAI H5N8 confirmed on 8/11/2016 in a holding of geese in Bács-Kiskun County. Disease control measures are being implemented including the establishment of protection and surveillance zones around the infected holding.
FRI 18/11	HU	HPAI H5N8 6 <sup>th</sup> outbreak confirmed in poultry	<b>Fax 065</b> to CVOs on information received from the Hungarian authorities about a further outbreak of HPAI H5N8 confirmed on 8/11/2016 in a duck holding in Bács-Kiskun County. Disease control measures are being implemented including the establishment of protection and surveillance zones around the infected holding.

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WED 16/11	CH	Update 3 HPAI H5N8 detected in wild birds	Fax 064 to CVOs on information received from the Swiss authorities about the detection of highly pathogenic avian influenza of subtype H5N8 in wild birds found dead
		Publication of CIDs HU: <a href="#">2016/2010</a> AT: <a href="#">2016/2012</a> DE: <a href="#">2016/2011</a>	CID 2016/2010 amending the Annex to Implementing Decision (EU) 2016/1968 concerning certain protective measures in relation to highly pathogenic avian influenza of subtype H5N8 in Hungary. CID 2016/2012 concerning certain protective measures in relation to highly pathogenic avian influenza of subtype H5N8 in Austria CID 2016/2011 concerning certain protective measures in relation to highly pathogenic avian influenza of subtype H5N8 in Germany.
	NL	HPAI H5N8 detected in birds kept in zoo	Fax 062 to CVOs on information received from the Dutch authorities about the detection of highly pathogenic avian influenza of subtype H5N8 in ducks in a small zoo in the city of Rotterdam.
	CH	Update 2 HPAI H5N8 detected in wild birds	Fax 061 to CVOs on information received from the Swiss authorities about the detection of highly pathogenic avian influenza of subtype H5N8 in wild birds found dead at Lake Neuchâtel, in Estavayer-le-Lac, Canton of Fribourg. The Swiss authorities have ordered the confinement of all poultry in the country.
TUE 15/11	CH	Update 1 HPAI H5N8 detected in wild birds	Fax 060 to CVOs on information received from the Swiss authorities about the detection of highly pathogenic avian influenza of subtype H5N8 in wild birds found dead at Lake Geneva, in Vidy, City of Lausanne, Canton of Vaud.
MON 14/1	HR	Croatia HPAI H5N8 detected in wild birds	Fax 059 to CVOs on information received from the Dutch authorities about the detection of HPAI of H5 subtype in swans found dead on the River Bid, Cerna municipality, Vukovar-Srijem county.
		AGRI Council	The avian influenza situation was discussed and the importance of collaboration between affected Member States. Awareness, surveillance and early reaction were highlighted to ensure timely and appropriate response. Since the first finding of this virus the Commission had urged enhancing biosecurity and measures to prevent contact of wild birds with poultry on farms.
SUN 13/11	HU	HPAI H5N8 5 <sup>th</sup> outbreak confirmed in poultry	Fax 058 to CVOs on information received from the Hungarian authorities about a further outbreak of HPAI H5N8 confirmed on 12/11/2016 in a duck holding in Bács-Kiskun County. Disease control measures are being implemented including the establishment of protection and surveillance zones around the infected holding. Disease control measures are being implemented including the establishment of protection and surveillance zones around the infected holding.

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	DE	HPAI H5N8 2 <sup>nd</sup> and 3 <sup>rd</sup> outbreaks confirmed in poultry	Fax 057 to CVOs on information received from the German authorities about two further outbreaks of HPAI H5N8 confirmed on 12/11/2016 in in the commune Twedt, Landkreis Schleswig-Flensburg (breeding establishment) and in in the commune Mesekenhagen, Landkreis Vorpommern-Greifswald (non-commercial holding). The German authorities implement control measures according to Council Directive 2005/94/EC including culling of poultry present on these holdings.
FRI 11/11	HU	HPAI H5N8 3 <sup>rd</sup> and 4 <sup>th</sup> outbreaks confirmed in poultry	Fax 056 to CVOs on information received from the Hungarian authorities about confirmation of two further outbreaks of HPAI H5N8 in domestic waterfowl holdings located in Bács-Kiskun County. All poultry on the farm is being culled and protection and surveillance zones were established around this outbreak.
	DE	HPAI H5N8 1 <sup>st</sup> outbreak confirmed in poultry	Fax 055 to CVOs on information received from the German authorities about confirmed outbreak of HPAI H5N8 in a non-commercial poultry holding in the municipality of Lübeck, Landkreis Lübeck-Stadt, Schleswig-Holstein. All birds kept on the infected holding were culled and protection and surveillance zones were established around this outbreak.
	AT	HPAI H5N8 1 <sup>st</sup> outbreak confirmed in poultry	Fax 054 to CVOs on information received from the Austrian authorities about confirmed outbreak of HPAI H5N8 in a turkey holding in Vorarlberg, proximity to the Bodensee (Lake Constance). All poultry on the farm is being culled and protection and surveillance zones were established around this outbreak.
THU 10/11	DK	Denmark HPAI H5N8 detected in wild birds	Fax 053 to CVOs on information received from the Danish authorities about the confirmed detection of HPAI of H5N8 subtype in wild birds found dead in central Copenhagen and on the island of Moen southeast of Sealand. The Danish authorities have ordered the confinement of free-range poultry.
	HU	HPAI H5N8 2 <sup>nd</sup> outbreak confirmed in poultry	Fax 052 to CVOs on information received from the Hungarian authorities about a second outbreak of HPAI H5N8 in a duck holding Kiskunmajsa locality, Bács-Kiskun county. All poultry on the farm is being culled and protection and surveillance zones were established around this second outbreak.
	HU	Publication of CID <a href="#">2016/1968</a>	Fax 050 to CVOs informing on the publication of Commission Implementing Decision (EU) 2016/1968 concerning certain protective measures in relation to highly pathogenic avian influenza of subtype H5N8 in Hungary.
	NL	The Netherlands HPAI H5 detected in wild birds	Fax 049 to CVOs on information received from the Dutch authorities about the confirmed detection of HPAI of H5 subtype in wild water birds in the province of Noord Holland. The Dutch government decided to compel confinement of poultry as from 9/11/2016 evening.
WED 09/11	AT	Austria HPAI H5N8 detected in wild birds	Fax 048 to CVOs on information received from the Austrian authorities about the confirmed detection of HPAI of H5N8 subtype in wild birds in the area of the Bodensee (Lake Constance) in the Land Vorarlberg.

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	DE	<b>HPAI H5N8 detected in wild birds</b>	<b>Fax 047</b> to CVOs on information received from the German authorities about the confirmed detection of HPAI of H5N8 subtype in wild birds in Großer Plöner See and surrounding smaller lakes in Landkreis Plön, Land Schleswig-Holstein and at lake Constance, in Land Baden Württemberg.
TUE 08/11	DE	<b>Germany Council CVO meeting</b>	Germany reported on the detection of HPAI H5 in wild birds in North-Germany.
		<a href="#">Press release.</a>	The Commission is calling for vigilance by Member States' authorities and the poultry sector in the EU, and for the stepping up of biosecurity on poultry farms.
MON 07/11	PL	<b>Poland HPAI H5N8 detected in wild birds</b>	<b>Fax 045</b> to CVOs on information received from the Polish authorities about the confirmed detection of HPAI of H5N8 subtype in wild birds near the lake Dąbie, in the region of the West Pomeranian Voivodeship.
	HU	<b>Implementing Decision voted</b>	<b>Fax 044</b> to CVOs informing about the favourable opinion obtained of the Committee on the draft legal text for a Commission Implementing Decision concerning protective measures in relation to highly pathogenic avian influenza of subtype H5N8 in Hungary (document SANTE/7085/2016 and SANTE/7085/2016 Annex).
		<b>Meeting PAFF Committee</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Hungary informed about the situation as regards HPAI H5N8 subtype in poultry and wild birds. The Commission presented a draft Commission Implementing Decision concerning certain protective measures in relation to highly pathogenic avian influenza of subtype H5N8 in Hungary (document SANTE/7085/2016 and SANTE/7085/2016 Annex) for a vote and obtained a favourable opinion of the Committee.</li> <li>• Poland and Croatia reported on the detection of HPAI H5N8 in wild birds</li> <li>• Switzerland reported on preliminary results for avian influenza A in wild birds found dead on lake Constance at the border to Germany and Austria</li> </ul>
FRI 04/11	HU	<b>HPAI H5N8 1st outbreak confirmed in poultry</b>	<b>Fax 043</b> to CVOs on information received from the Hungarian authorities on the confirmed outbreak of HPAI of H5N8 subtype in a fattening turkey holding located in Tótkomlós locality, Békés County. All poultry on the farm was culled and protection and surveillance zones were established. The disease situation will be reviewed during the PAFF meeting on 07/11/2016.
FRI 28/10	HU	<b>Hungary HPAI H5N8 detected in a wild bird</b>	<b>Fax 041</b> to CVOs on information received from the Hungarian authorities on the detection of highly pathogenic avian influenza of subtype H5N8 in a mute swan that was found dead on 19 October 2016 near lake Fehér-to in Csongrád county. It appears that this virus belongs to a group of viruses found previously in Asia and also in wild birds at the border between Russia and Mongolia in early summer this year.
WED 12/10	FR	<b>Update Lifting of last restrictions</b>	<b>Fax 040</b> to CVOs on updated information received from the French authorities on the disease situation and surveillance activities in relation to HPAI of H5 subtype. The French authorities further inform that all measures in the areas under veterinary restrictions in relation to avian influenza outbreaks have been lifted by 2 October 2016.

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TUE 11/10		<b>Council CVO working group</b>	The Commission gave an overview about the <a href="#">avian influenza</a> situation in EU and worldwide.
TUE-WED 04-05/10		<b>Meeting PAFF Committee</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The <a href="#">EU Reference Laboratory</a> for avian influenza reports on avian influenza surveillance carried out during 2016 in Member States</li> </ul>
WED 14/09	FR	<b>Update Lifting of restrictions</b>	<b>Fax 039</b> to CVOs on updated information received from the French authorities on the disease situation and surveillance activities in relation to HPAI of H5 subtype. France continues to apply the measures as laid down in <a href="#">Directive 2005/94/EC</a> in relation to the latest HPAI outbreaks that had been identified in the established further restricted zone in South-West France. That zone had been established by Commission Implementing Decision (EU) <a href="#">2015/2460</a> concerning certain protective measures in France and will elapse on 15 September 2016.
TUE-WED 13-14/09	FR	<b>Meeting PAFF Committee</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><a href="#">France</a> presented the situation as regards HPAI of H5 subtype on its territory.</li> </ul>
THU 18/08	FR	<b>Meeting PAFF Committee</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><a href="#">France</a> presented the situation as regards HPAI of H5 subtype on its territory.</li> </ul>
THU 18/08	FR	<b>Update 81 confirmed outbreaks in poultry</b>	<b>Fax 036</b> to CVOs on updated information received from the French authorities on the disease situation and surveillance activities in relation to HPAI of H5 subtype. The last HPAI outbreak was detected on 05/08.
THU 28/07	FR	<b>Update 80 confirmed outbreaks in poultry</b>	<b>Fax 032</b> to CVOs on updated information received from the French authorities on the disease situation and surveillance activities in relation to HPAI of H5 subtype. One further outbreak was detected in a duck farm in Dordogne located in the protection zone already established around the previous outbreak in that department.
TUE 19/07	FR	<b>Update 79 confirmed outbreaks in poultry</b>	<b>Fax 030</b> to CVOs on updated information received from the French authorities on the disease situation and surveillance activities in relation to HPAI of H5 subtype. Two new outbreaks were detected in poultry farms in Dordogne and Aveyron departments which are already under restrictions due to previous outbreaks.
TUE/WED 05-06/07		<b>Meeting PAFF Committee</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><a href="#">Italy</a> presented the situation as regards HPAI of H7N7 subtype on its territory.</li> <li><a href="#">France</a> presented the situation as regards HPAI of H5 subtype on its territory.</li> </ul>
FRI 09/06	FR	<b>Update</b>	<b>Fax 027</b> to CVOs on updated information received from the French authorities on the disease situation and surveillance activities in relation to HPAI of H5 subtype.
WED/THU 01-02/06		<b>Meeting PAFF Committee</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><a href="#">Italy</a> presented the situation as regards HPAI of H7N7 subtype on its territory.</li> <li><a href="#">France</a> presented the situation as regards HPAI of H5 subtype on its territory.</li> </ul>
FRI 20/05	IT	<b>Update</b>	<b>Fax 026</b> to CVOs on updated information received from the Italian authorities on epidemiological investigations and tracing results.

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WED 18/05	IT	2 <sup>nd</sup> HPAI outbreak confirmed in poultry	Fax 025 to CVOs on information received from the Italian authorities about a second outbreak of HPAI H7N7 in a meat turkey farm in the commune of Portomaggiore, located in the protection zone established around the first outbreak in that commune.
THU 05/05	IT	Publication of CID <a href="#">2016/967</a>	Fax 024 to CVOs informing about the publication of Commission Implementing Decision (EU) 2016/697 concerning certain protective measures in relation to highly pathogenic avian influenza of subtype H7N7 in Italy.
WED 04/05	IT	Implementing Decision adopted	Fax 023 to CVOs informing about the adoption of Commission Implementing Decision concerning certain protective measures in relation to highly pathogenic avian influenza of subtype H7N7 in Italy (document SANTE/7045/2016 Rev.1 and SANTE/7045/2016 Annex Rev.2).
TUE 03/05	IT	Implementing Decision voted	Fax 022 to CVOs informing about the favourable opinion obtained of the Committee on the draft legal text for a Commission Implementing Decision concerning protective measures in relation to highly pathogenic avian influenza of subtype H7N7 in Italy (document SANTE/7045/2016 Rev.1 and SANTE/7045/2016 Annex Rev.2).
TUE/WED 03-04/05		Meeting PAFF Committee	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Italy presented the situation as regards HPAI of H7N7 subtype on its territory. The Commission presented a draft Commission Implementing Decision concerning certain protective measures in relation to highly pathogenic avian influenza of subtype H7N7 in Italy (document SANTE/7045/2016) for a vote and obtained a favourable opinion of the Committee.</li> <li>France presented the situation as regards HPAI of H5 subtype on its territory.</li> </ul>
TUE 03/05	IT	Update	Fax 021 to CVOs on information received from the Italian authorities on the confirmed outbreak of HPAI of H7N7 subtype in a laying hen holding in the municipality of Portomaggiore, Ferrara province, Emilia Romagna Region, Italy and the Commission's intention to present for a vote a draft text for a Commission Implementing Decision concerning certain protective measures in relation to this outbreak during the ongoing meeting of the PAFF Committee.
MON 02/05	IT	Italy HPAI outbreak confirmed in poultry	Italy informs at the meeting of the Chief Veterinary Officers taking place from 02-03/05 about a strong suspicion of HPAI in a laying hen holding in the municipality of Portomaggiore, province of Ferrara, Emilia Romagna Region. Subsequently Italy reports the confirmation of the outbreak as HPAI of the H7N7 subtype via the Animal Disease Notification System (ADNS) to the Commission and other Member States and to the OIE (World Organisation for Animal Health).
WED 27/04	FR	Update 77 confirmed outbreaks in poultry	Fax 020 to CVOs on information received from the French authorities with an update on the disease situation and surveillance activities in relation to HPAI of H5 subtype
THU 07/04		Council CVO meeting	CVOs had a follow-up discussion to the meeting of 23/02 on the approach towards the control of low pathogenic avian influenza, risk based surveillance and possible topics for questions to EFSA.
TUE 05/04	FR	Update	Fax 019 to CVOs on information received from the French authorities with an update on the disease situation and surveillance activities in relation to HPAI of H5 subtype.
TUE 24/03	FR	Publication of CID <a href="#">2016/447</a>	Fax 018 to CVOs informing on the publication of Commission Implementing Decision (EU) 2016/447 amending Implementing Decision (EU) 2015/2460 concerning certain protective measures in relation to highly pathogenic avian influenza of subtype H5 in France

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WED 23/03	FR	Update	<b>Fax 017</b> to CVOs on information received from the French authorities with an update on the disease situation and surveillance activities in relation to HPAI of H5 subtype.
TUE 22/03	FR	Implementing Decision adopted	<b>Fax 016</b> to CVOs informing of the adoption of Commission Implementing Decision (EU) 2015/2460 concerning certain protective measures in relation to highly pathogenic avian influenza of subtype H5 in France (document SANTE/7004/2016).
TUE 15/03	FR	76 outbreaks confirmed in poultry in France	Update provided on the <a href="#">website of the Ministry of Agriculture, Agrifood, and Forestry</a> .
TUE-WED 01-02/03		Meeting PAFF Committee 74 outbreaks confirmed in poultry in France	<a href="#">France</a> presented the situation as regards HPAI of H5 subtype on its territory. The Commission presented a draft Commission Implementing Decision amending Implementing Decision (EU) 2015/2460 concerning certain protective measures in relation to highly pathogenic avian influenza of subtype H5 in France (document SANTE/7004/2016) for a vote and obtained a favourable opinion of the Committee.
FR 26/02	FR	Update	<b>Fax 015</b> to CVOs on information received from the French authorities with an update on the surveillance activities in relation to HPAI of H5 subtype.
TUE 23/02		Council CVO meeting	CVOs discussed recent experiences with avian influenza of low and high pathogenicity, a possible review of risk based surveillance and international trade matters.
FRI 19/02	FR	Publication of CID <a href="#">2016/237</a>	<b>Fax 014 to CVOs</b> informing on the Publication of Commission Implementing Decision (EU) 2016/237 amending the Annex to Implementing Decision (EU) 2015/2460 concerning certain protective measures in relation to highly pathogenic avian influenza of subtype H5 in France
WED 17/02	FR	Implementing Decision adopted	<b>Fax 013 to CVOs</b> informing of the adoption of Commission Implementing Decision amending the Annex to Implementing Decision (EU) 2015/2460 concerning certain protective measures in relation to highly pathogenic avian influenza of subtype H5 in France (document SANTE/7003/2016).
MON 15/02	FR	Update	<b>Fax 012 to CVOs</b> on updated report from the French authorities on surveillance activities related to the HPAI situation.
TUE 09/02	FR	Update	<b>Fax 010 to CVOs</b> on information received from the French authorities on the strategy aiming at the eradication of HPAI H5 on the French territory.
MON 08/02	FR	Update 70 outbreaks confirmed in poultry in France	<b>Fax 009 to CVOs</b> on updated report from the French authorities about the HPAI situation, focusing on surveillance activities.



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WED 03/02		Meeting PAFF <sup>1</sup> Committee	<a href="#">France</a> presented the situation as regards HPAI of H5 subtype on its territory. Following the disease evolution, the Commission presented a draft Commission Implementing Decision amending the Annex to Implementing Decision (EU) 2015/2460 concerning certain protective measures in relation to highly pathogenic avian influenza of subtype H5 in France (document SANTE/7003/2016) for a vote and obtained a favourable opinion of the Committee.
FRI 29/01	FR	Update	<b>Fax 008 to CVOs</b> on updated report from the French authorities about the HPAI situation.
MON 25/01	FR	Update	<b>Fax 007 to CVOs</b> on information received from the French authorities about the HPAI situation, focusing on the epidemiological situation and surveillance activities implemented.
MON 18/01	FR	Publication of CID <a href="#">2016/42</a>	<b>Fax 006 to CVOs</b> informing of the publication of Commission Implementing Decision (EU) 2016/42 amending the Annex to Implementing Decision (EU) 2015/2460 concerning certain protective measures in relation to highly pathogenic avian influenza of subtype H5 in France
FRI 15/01	FR	Implementing Decision adopted	<b>Fax 005 to CVOs</b> informing of the adoption of Commission Implementing Decision amending the Annex to Implementing Decision (EU) 2015/2460 concerning certain protective measures in relation to highly pathogenic avian influenza of subtype H5 in France (document SANTE/7003/2016).
WED 13/01	FR	Implementing Decision voted	<b>Fax 003 to CVOs</b> informing about the draft legal text for a Commission Implementing Decision amending the Annex to Implementing Decision (EU) 2015/2460 concerning certain protective measures in relation to highly pathogenic avian influenza of subtype H5 in France (document SANTE/7000/2016 and SANTE/7000/2016 Annex Rev.1) which obtained a favourable opinion of the Committee on Plants, Animals, Food and Feed on 12/01/2016.
TUE 12/01	FR	Meeting PAFF <sup>1</sup> Committee 68 outbreaks confirmed in poultry in France	<a href="#">France</a> presented the situation as regards HPAI of H5 subtype on its territory. Following the confirmation of HPAI H5N1 in a chicken backyard holding in Dordogne on 24/11/2015, further outbreaks of HPAI of different subtypes H5N1, H5N2 and H5N9 were confirmed in a total of 69 holdings, almost exclusively keeping domestic ducks and geese. These outbreaks are located in eight departments: Dordogne, Gers, Landes, Gironde, Haute-Vienne, Lot, Lot-et Garonne, Pyrénées- Atlantiques, Hautes-Pyrénées and Haute Garonne. In addition to the required establishment of 3km protection and 10km surveillance zones France established a further restricted zone comprising the departments where outbreaks have occurred and the unaffected departments of Lot-et-Garonne, Gironde and some communes of Corrèze and Charente. Movement of live poultry out of this zone is prohibited with the exception of secured transport of day-old chicks and hatching eggs. France presented its control strategy taking into account the specificity of the production system.  Following the disease evolution, the Commission presented a draft Commission Implementing Decision amending the Annex to Implementing Decision (EU) 2015/2460 concerning certain protective measures in relation to highly pathogenic avian influenza of subtype H5 in France (document SANTE/7000/2016) for a vote and obtained a favourable opinion of the Committee.

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		Update	Fax 002 to CVOs on information received from the French authorities about the HPAI situation as of 07/01/2016 and the results of surveillance activities carried out.
TUE 05/01	FR	Update	Fax 001 to CVOs on information received from the French authorities about the HPAI situation as of 04/01/2016. Since 24/11/2015 a total of 65 HPAI outbreaks have been confirmed in poultry holdings on the French territory in seven departments namely in Dordogne (13), Landes (27), Haute-Vienne (1), Gers (10), Hautes-Pyrénées (3), Pyrénées-Atlantiques (10) and in Lot (1). The <a href="#">website of the French ministry</a> provides for regular updates on the epidemiological situation and the <a href="#">list of communes</a> that France has placed under veterinary restrictions as protection and surveillance zones