Analysis of major deficiencies detected during the non-discriminatory inspections and action plan to address them as provided for in Article 27(2) of Regulation (EC) No 1/2005

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1. ANALYSIS OF THE MAJOR DEFICIENCIES DETECTED DURING THE NON-DISCRIMINATORY INSPECTIONS

The major deficencies detected are related with the documentation requirements, specially the lack of the authorisation of transport, during the journey and errors on the emission of the documents accompanying the animals.

Although in Portugal the amount of long journey transport, is reduced there is a need to improve the controls of journey log and navigation satellite system records after the end of the Jouney. During 2016 and 2017, a strategy was developed in order to garantee a proper control of the journey log and joruney times. Training was given to all the regions on jouney logs and satellite navigation system and this kind of controls are checked during the supervision controls to the regions.

Although we have seen an increase in the application of penalties in case of non-compliance, we believe that we must continue to work on

2. ACTION PLAN TO ADDRESS THE DEFICIENCIES DESCRIBED UNDER POINT 1.

In 2017 we continued to provide training in the regions, taking into account the results of controls on the protection of animals during transport. We will continue to raise awareness of regional authorities to monitor the long-term transport area (training, meetings and instructions). We also transmit the need for improvement in the application of sanctions in cases of non-compliance. For this purpose we will notify the regions of the results of the annual controls and points mentioned that need to be improved.

We maintain the need, on the annual control plan, that the regions should perform controls at the end of the journey, in a specific percentage. On the meetings with the regional services it was enphasized the need to control the documentation at the end of the journey to evaluate the journey log, the tacoghraph and the navigation satellite system records.