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SUMMARY REPORT

B.01 Exchange of views and possible opinion of the Committee on a draft Commission Implementing Regulation amending Commission Implementing Regulations (EU) 2020/2235, (EU) 2020/2236, 2021/403 and 2021/404 as regards an extension of the transitional periods for the use of animal health certificates, animal health/official certificates and official certificates for the entry into the Union of consignments of certain categories of animals and goods, aquatic animals and of certain products of animal origin from aquatic animals, of terrestrial animals and germinal products thereof and official certification regarding such certificates.

The Commission presented a draft Implementing Regulation amending Implementing Regulations (EU) 2020/2235, (EU) 2020/2236, (EU) 2021/403 and (EU) 2021/404 as regards extending the transitional period for the use of animal health certificates, animal health/official certificates and official certificates required for the entry into the Union of certain consignments (document SANTE/7240/2021). The Commission explained that the transitional period provided for in those Implementing Regulations for the acceptance of animal health certificates, animal health/official certificates for the entry into the Union of certain categories of animals and goods needs to be extended till 15 March 2022. The extension of this transitional period aims at ensuring a smooth transition for third countries in implementing the animal health legislative framework, allowing them enough time to adjust to the new EU animal health legal framework. In this sense, the Commission mentioned some practical examples of the problems that trade partners have communicated to the Commission Services, including translation of model certificates to different languages.

Vote Postponed: Vote will be taken by written consultation.