

Outcomes of NCP meeting XII 21-23 March 2017

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Meeting objectives (1)

• Exchange of views/experiences between NCPs continuing to build on the work of previous meetings.





"We had a full and frank exchange of views, and then I bopped him."





Meeting objectives (2)

- Commission Services to inform NCPs about updates on: ✓
 - Action points from previous NCP meeting;
 - Animal welfare policy;
 - Member States Animal Welfare Network on CIRCABC;
 - Ongoing live animals export project;
 - TRACES (and provide training on use of TRACES QlikView).







Meeting objectives (3)

- Improve enforcement of animal welfare standards during transport. In particular discuss ✓ and seek agreement * on:
 - MS common positions concerning "Implementing measures to enforce temperature/weather requirements of 1/2005", "Transport of unweaned animals";
 - Proposed Network document on "Improving controls at departure, control points and exit points";
 - Solutions/contingency measures for delays on entry to Turkey;
 - Better practices to improve conditions for animal transport.

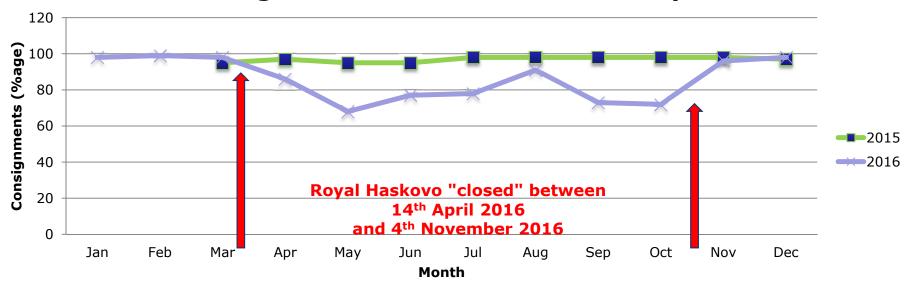




Overview

- 2016 Bovine Exports to Turkey

% Consignments with no AW events reported







Meeting objectives (4)

- NCPs to finalise updating information to COM on measures taken to improve controls on exports in connection with:
 - Journey logs
 - Approved control posts and facilities
 - Sufficient bedding
 - Problems with waiting times at borders for export to non-EU countries







Conclusion

Participants found the meeting very useful and productive. NCP subgroups are taking active ownership of certain areas and some good progress has been made already, with more subgroups planned for other topics.





Agreed Outcomes/Actions (1)

- Develop further the work of the two NCPs subgroups (unweaned animals, extreme temperatures). Planned outcomes:
 - agreed checklists and/or Network Documents –
 establishing EU harmonised work methods for
 official tasks/checks in areas where the legislation
 lacks detail.





Agreed Outcomes/Actions (2)

- Several proposals made for improvements to the current draft of the Network Document on "Improving controls at departure, control points and exit points".
- Communication between MS (notifications) has improved. The completeness/targeting of the notification and feedback is something that can still be improved.





Agreed Outcomes/Actions (3)

- NCP subgroup will review/update Network Document on live animal transport in livestock vessels.
- ECJ case C-424/13 NCPs to set up a system to provide the Commission Legal services with real life cases to confirm how to apply the judgment in practice.

