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**SUMMARY REPORT**

**A.01 General information by third countries.**

No item raised.

**A.02 Information point on import-export issues between the EU and UK (GB).**

No item raised.

**B.01 Exchange of views and possible opinion of the Committee on a draft Commission Implementing Decision on the evolution of animal diseases in third countries.**

No item raised.

**B.02 Exchange of views and possible opinion of the Committee on a draft Commission Implementing Regulation amending Implementing Regulation (EU) 2019/1793 on the temporary increase of official controls and emergency measures governing the entry into the Union of certain goods from certain third countries implementing Regulations (EU) 2017/625 and (EC) No 178/2002 of the European Parliament and of the Council.**

The Commission presented the draft Implementing Regulation amending Regulation (EU) 2019/1793 (9th review) and explained proposed amendments in Annex I, and Annex II on temporary increase of official controls and emergency measures for certain food and feed of non-animal origin from certain third countries. Proposed amendments are based on evaluation of the results of official controls during the second semester of 2023 and proposals received from Member States and had been discussed in detail with Member States' experts.

**Vote taken:** Favourable opinion.

**B.03 Exchange of views and possible opinion of the Committee on a draft Commission Implementing Regulation amending Annex III to Implementing Regulation (EU) 2020/2235 as regards model certificates for the entry into the Union of live fish, live crustaceans and products of animal origin from those animals and certain fishery products, intended for human consumption.**

The Commission presented the draft Implementing Regulation amending and correcting Chapter 29 (model EU-FISH) of Annex III to Implementing Regulation (EU) 2020/2235 by restoring erroneously deleted Part II of that Chapter by Commission Implementing Regulation (EU) 2023/2744 and updating references to new legislation regarding residues and public health requirements for the entry into the Union of products of animal origin and goods for human consumption; and correcting Chapter 28 (model FISH-CRUST-HC) by deleting certain erroneously inserted, by Implementing Regulation (EU) 2023/2744, footnotes from its point II.2.6.2 (i) and (ii).

**Vote taken:** Favourable opinion.

**B.04 Exchange of views and possible opinion of the Committee on a draft Commission Implementing Regulation amending Annexes V and XIV to Implementing Regulation (EU) 2021/404 as regards the entries for third countries in the lists of third countries, territories or zones thereof authorised for the entry into the Union of consignments of poultry and germinal products of poultry, and of fresh meat of poultry and game birds.**

Point withdrawn from the agenda.

**M.01 Special arrangements for the entry of fresh bovine meat from Botswana via South Africa.**

A Member State raised a question on the special arrangements in place for the certification of fresh bovine meat from Botswana via a port in South Africa. That Member State asked to reflect this procedure in the EU legislation.

The Commission took note of this request and referred to the recent discussion on the issue that took place at the Expert group on veterinary imports controls legislation (on 10 April 2024). Considering the lack of storage capacity and seaports in Botswana (and Namibia), a special certification procedure for their bovine meat has been in place for years, as described in all relevant Commission audit reports (e.g. 2011-6120, 2013-6774, 2020-6936, 2020-6939, 2022-7630, 2023-7775).