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SUMMARY REPORT

A.01 Results of the Commission Working Group meeting on reduced frequency of import inspections on 27 June 2019, followed by an exchange of views and possible approval of the minimum reduced frequencies.

The Commission presented the results of the meeting and a proposal for the reduced frequency levels and trades (commodity/origin combinations) for the calendar year 2020. The Committee expressed some comments and some further suggestions for adjustments. The discussion shall continue in the next meeting of the Committee with a possible approval of the list for the next year.

A.02 Exchange of views on the revision of the EU emergency measures on *Xylella* fastidiosa.

Following the publication of the Scientific Opinion by the European Food Safety Authority on *Xylella fastidiosa* in May 2019 and based on the technical experience acquired in the outbreak areas of the Union territory, an exchange of views with Member States took place on the revision of the current *Xylella* measures laid down under Decision (EU) 2015/789. Discussions mainly focused on survey activities within and outside the demarcated areas, eradication and containment measures, as well as restrictions of movement of susceptible plants within and into the Union. A follow-up discussion will take place in the December PAFF Committee before a draft Commission Implementing Decision can be presented for exchange of views and possible opinion at the forthcoming PAFF Committee meeting in early 2020.

B.01 Exchange of views and possible opinion of the Committee on a draft Commission Implementing Decision on emergency action against a plant pest in the Union and third countries.

No item raised.

C.01 Exchange of views of the Committee on a draft Commission Implementing Regulation amending Implementing Regulation (EU) 2019/66 on rules on uniform practical arrangements for the performance of official controls on plants, plant products and other objects in order to verify compliance with Union rules on protective measures against pests of plants applicable to those goods.

The Commission presented a draft text for the Implementing Regulation. A number of comments were expressed and suggestions made by the Committee in the follow-up discussion. The Commission will reflect on the comments made. The discussion will continue in one of the next meetings of the Committee.