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Committee on Sanitary and Phytosanitary Measures

NOTIFICATION OF EMERGENCY MEASURES

- Notifying Member: <u>EUROPEAN UNION</u>
 If applicable, name of local government involved:
 - _____
- **2. Agency responsible:** European Commission, Health and Food Safety Directorate-General
- 3. Products covered (provide tariff item number(s) as specified in national schedules deposited with the WTO; ICS numbers should be provided in addition, where applicable): Terrestrial animals and aquatic animals
- 4. Regions or countries likely to be affected, to the extent relevant or practicable:
 - [X] All trading partners
 - [] Specific regions or countries:
- **Title of the notified document:** Commission Delegated Regulation (EU) 2020/689 of 17 December 2019 supplementing Regulation (EU) 2016/429 of the European Parliament and of the Council as regards rules for surveillance, eradication programmes, and disease-free status for certain listed and emerging diseases (Text with EEA relevance). **Language(s):** English, French, Spanish. **Number of pages:** 130

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- **Description of content:** The notified Regulation supplements rules that are already laid down in the EU Animal Health Law (Regulation (EU) 2016/429) concerning surveillance, eradication programmes, and disease-free status in the European Union for certain listed and emerging diseases. In that regard it lays down:
 - (a) the rules and conditions for surveillance conducted by the competent authority to ensure the detection of listed diseases and, where relevant, of emerging diseases in the EU:
 - (b) the criteria used to determine which disease will require a Union surveillance programme and rules setting up the requirements for these Union surveillance programmes, to be implemented by competent authorities of the EU Member States;
 - (c) the rules setting out how competent authorities are to implement compulsory and optional eradication programmes in the EU for specific listed diseases focusing on their disease control strategies, their intermediate and final targets and their period of application;
 - (d) measures to be implemented by the competent authority and the operators in the EU under the compulsory and optional eradication programmes;
 - (e) the detailed rules for granting disease-free status to EU Member States, and zones and in case of aquatic animals, compartments;
 - (f) the detailed rules for surveillance and biosecurity measures to be implemented by competent authorities and operators in the EU for maintaining disease-free status of EU Member States, zones and compartments;
 - (g) supplementary rules for the suspension, withdrawal and restoration of disease-free status in the EU;

- (h) rules necessary to ensure a smooth transition from the rules existing prior to the Animal Health Law.
- 7. Objective and rationale: [] food safety, [X] animal health, [] plant protection, [X] protect humans from animal/plant pest or disease, [] protect territory from other damage from pests.
- 8. Nature of the urgent problem(s) and reason for urgent action:
- 9. Is there a relevant international standard? If so, identify the standard:
 - [] Codex Alimentarius Commission (e.g. title or serial number of Codex standard or related text):
 - [X] World Organization for Animal Health (OIE) (e.g. Terrestrial or Aquatic Animal Health Code, chapter number): OIE Terrestrial Animal Health Code (2019), Chapters 1.4., 4.1.; and OIE Aquatic Animal Health Code (2019), Chapter 1.4 - Articles 1.4.1 to 1.4.3, 1.4.7, Articles 4.2.1 and 4.2.2.
 - [] International Plant Protection Convention (e.g. ISPM number):
 - [] None

Does this proposed regulation conform to the relevant international standard?

[X] Yes [] No

If no, describe, whenever possible, how and why it deviates from the international standard:

- 10. Other relevant documents and language(s) in which these are available:
- Date of entry into force (dd/mm/yy)/period of application (as applicable): 11.

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- Trade facilitating measure []
- 12. Agency or authority designated to handle comments: [X] National Notification Authority, [X] National Enquiry Point. Address, fax number and e-mail address (if available) of other body:

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