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THE EUROPEAN COMMISSION,

Having regard to the Treaty on the Functioning of the European Union,

Having regard to Regulation (EC) No 1069/2009 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 21 October 2009 laying down health rules as regards animal by-products and derived products not intended for human consumption and repealing Regulation (EC) No 1774/2002[(1)], and in particular the first and the third subparagraphs of Article 41(3) and Article 42(2) thereof,

Whereas:

(1) Commission Regulation (EU) No 142/2011[(2)] lays down rules implementing Regulation (EC) No 1069/2009 including public and animal health conditions for imports of petfood. The requirements for the importation into and transit through the Union of petfood including dogchews are set out in Annex XIV to that Regulation, including the list of third countries.

(2) On 19 March 2019, Georgia asked to be listed in Annex XIV to Regulation (EU) No 142/2011 for the importation into the Union of processed petfood, other than canned petfood.

(3) The Commission carried out on-the spot controls, including an in-depth assessment of the applicant third country's veterinary legislation and the capacity of the applicant third country's competent authorities to implement that legislation and perform official controls, with a view to listing the applicant third country in Annex XIV to Regulation (EU) No 142/2011 for the importation into the Union of processed petfood, other than canned petfood. The competent authorities of Georgia provided the Commission with assurances that Georgia can comply with the relevant health conditions and sufficient guarantees for the controls they carry out on the production of processed petfood, other than canned petfood. It is therefore justified to add Georgia to the list of third countries from where processed petfood, other than canned petfood, may be imported into and transit through the Union.

(4) Regulation (EU) No 142/2011 should therefore be amended accordingly.

(5) The measures provided for in this Regulation are in accordance with the opinion of the Standing Committee on Plants, Animals, Food and Feed,

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HAS ADOPTED THIS REGULATION:

Article 1

Annex XIV to Regulation (EU) No 142/2011 is amended in accordance with the text in the Annex to this Regulation.

Article 2

This Regulation shall enter into force on the twentieth day following the date of publication in the *Official Journal of the European Union*.

This Regulation shall be binding in its entirety and directly applicable in all Member States.

Done at Brussels, 17 November 2020.

For the Commission

The President

Ursula VON DER LEYEN

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ANNEX

In Table 2 of Section 1 of Chapter II of Annex XIV to Regulation (EU) No 142/2011, row 12 is replaced by the following:

12	Petfood, including dogchews	(a)	In the case of processed petfood and of dogchews: materials referred to in Article 35(a)(i) and (ii).	The petfood and the dogchews must have been produced in accordance with Chapter II of Annex XIII.	(a)	In the case of raw petfood: Third countries listed in Part 1 of Annex II to Regulation (EU) No 206/2010 or in Annex I to Regulation (EC) No 798/2008, from which Member States authorise imports of fresh meat from the same species and where only bone-in meat is authorised. In the	(a)	In the case of canned petfood: Annex XV, Chapter 3(A).
							(b)	In the case of processed petfood other than canned petfood: Annex XV, Chapter 3(B).
							(c)	In the case of dogchews: Annex XV, Chapter 3(C).
		(b)	In the case of raw petfood: materials referred to in Article 35(a)(iii).				(d)	In the case of raw petfood: Annex XV, Chapter 3(D).