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THE EUROPEAN COMMISSION,

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

Having regard to Regulation (EU) No 1308/2013 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 17 December 2013 establishing a common organisation of the markets in agricultural products and repealing Council Regulations (EEC) No 922/72, (EEC) No 234/79, (EC) No 1037/2001 and (EC) No 1234/2007[(1)], and in particular Article 220(1)(a) thereof,

Whereas:

(1) Within the context of outbreaks of avian influenza in Italy, the Commission adopted two Regulations on exceptional market support measures. Commission Implementing Regulation (EU) 2018/1506[(2)] covers outbreaks between 30 April 2016 and 28 September 2017 and Commission Implementing Regulation (EU) 2019/1323[(3)] covers outbreaks between 1 October 2017 and 30 June 2018.

(2) Italy informed the Commission that in the course of the application of those Regulations a number of holdings that were affected by outbreaks before 28 September 2017 and compensated within the framework of Implementing Regulation (EU) 2018/1506 were also affected by veterinary restrictions in the form of continuing compulsory closure and resulting economic losses beyond 28 September 2017 and falling into the time period covered by Implementing Regulation (EU) 2019/1323.

(3) The Commission received a formal request from Italy to include those holdings within the scope of Implementing Regulation (EU) 2019/1323 to allow compensation of their continuing economic losses beyond 28 September 2017. Implementing Regulation (EU) 2018/1506 limited the eligibility for Union part-financing to expenditure that has been paid by Italy to the beneficiaries by 30 September 2019 whereas Implementing Regulation (EU) 2019/1323 still allows payments until 30 September 2020.

(4) Implementing Regulation (EU) 2019/1323 should therefore be amended accordingly.

(5) The measures provided for in this Regulation are in accordance with the opinion of the Committee for the Common Organisation of the Agricultural Markets,

HAS ADOPTED THIS REGULATION:

***Changes to legislation:** There are currently no known outstanding effects for the Commission Implementing Regulation (EU) 2020/1206. (See end of Document for details)*

Article 1

Article 1 of Implementing Regulation (EU) 2019/1323 is replaced by the following:

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The Union shall provide part-financing equivalent to 50 % of the expenditure borne by Italy to support the market of hatching eggs, consumption eggs and poultry meat seriously affected by the 45 outbreaks of highly pathogenic avian influenza of subtype H5 which were detected and notified by Italy between 1 October 2017 and 30 June 2018 and outbreaks notified by Italy between 20 July 2017 and 28 September 2017 which resulted in the compulsory closure of holdings beyond 28 September 2017..

Article 2

This Regulation shall enter into force on the third day following that of its 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, 19 August 2020.

For the Commission

The President

Ursula VON DER LEYEN