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THE EUROPEAN COMMISSION,

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

Having regard to Council Directive 2006/88/EC of 24 October 2006 on animal health requirements for aquaculture animals and products thereof, and on the prevention and control of certain diseases in aquatic animals[(1)], and in particular Articles 49(1), 50(2)(a), 50(3), 51(2) and 61(3) thereof,

Whereas:

(1) Commission Decision 2009/177/EC[(2)] implements Directive 2006/88/EC as regards surveillance and eradication programmes and disease-free status of Member States, zones and compartments. The second and fourth column of the table in Part C of Annex I to that Decision lists those Member States which have been declared disease-free in accordance with Article 49(1) of Directive 2006/88/EC, and those zones and compartments which have been declared disease-free in accordance with Article 50(3) of that Directive. The disease to which this disease-free status applies is set out in the first column of the same table.

(2) In accordance with the Agreement on the withdrawal of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland from the European Union and the European Atomic Energy Community (Withdrawal Agreement), and in particular Article 5(4) of the Protocol on Ireland / Northern Ireland in conjunction with Annex 2 to that Protocol, Directive 2006/88/EC, as well as the Commission acts based on it, applies to and in the United Kingdom in respect of Northern Ireland after the end of the transition period provided for in the Withdrawal Agreement. For that reason, references to the United Kingdom in Part C of Annex I to Decision 2009/177/EC should be replaced by references to the United Kingdom in respect of Northern Ireland.

(3) Annex I to Decision 2009/177/EC should therefore be amended accordingly.

(4) As the transition period provided for in the Withdrawal Agreement ends on 31 December 2020, this Decision should apply from 1 January 2021.

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

HAS ADOPTED THIS DECISION:

Article 1

In Annex I to Decision 2009/177/EC, Part C is replaced by the text set out in the Annex to this Decision.

Article 2

This Decision shall apply from 1 January 2021.

Article 3

This Decision is addressed to the Member States.

Done at Brussels, 16 December 2020.

For the Commission

Stella KYRIAKIDES

Member of the Commission

***Changes to legislation:** There are currently no known outstanding effects for the Commission Implementing Decision (EU) 2020/2110. (See end of Document for details)*

ANNEX

PART C

Member States[(3)]zones and compartments declared disease-free

Disease	**Member State**	**ISO Code**	**Geographical demarcation of the disease-free area (Member State, zones or compartments)**
Viral haemorrhagic septicaemia (VHS)	Denmark	DK	Whole continental territory
	Ireland	IE	Whole territory
	Cyprus	CY	All continental areas within its territory
	Finland	FI	All continental and coastal areas within its territory, except the Province of Åland
	Sweden	SE	Whole territory
	United Kingdom (Northern Ireland)	UK(NI)	Northern Ireland
Infectious haematopoietic necrosis (IHN)	Denmark	DK	Whole territory
	Ireland	IE	Whole territory
	Cyprus	CY	All continental areas within its territory
	Finland	FI	Whole territory, except the coastal compartment in Ii, Kuivaniemi, and the following water catchment areas: 14.72 Virmasvesi, 14.73 Nilakka, 4.74 Saarijärvi area and 4.41 Pielinen area
	Sweden	SE	Whole territory
	United Kingdom (Northern Ireland)	UK(NI)	Northern Ireland
Koi herpes virus (KHV) disease	Ireland	IE	Whole territory
	United Kingdom (Northern Ireland)	UK(NI)	Northern Ireland