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THE EUROPEAN COMMISSION,

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

Having regard to Council Directive 89/662/EEC of 11 December 1989 concerning veterinary checks in intra-Community trade with a view to the completion of the internal market[(1)], and in particular Article 9(4) thereof,

Having regard to Council Directive 90/425/EEC of 26 June 1990 concerning veterinary checks applicable in intra-Union trade in certain live animals and products with a view to the completion of the internal market[(2)], and in particular Article 10(4) thereof,

Whereas:

(1) Commission Implementing Decision 2013/764/EU[(3)] lays down animal health control measures in relation to classical swine fever applied in certain Member States or areas thereof as set out in the Annex thereto. Those measures include prohibitions on the dispatch of live pigs, fresh pig meat, meat preparations and pig products from certain areas listed in that Annex. The animal health control measures laid down in that Implementing Decision apply in parallel to those laid down in Council Directive 2001/89/EC[(4)] and are intended to combat the spread of classical swine fever particularly at Union level.

(2) Implementing Decision 2013/764/EU also provides for derogations from the prohibition on the dispatch of live pigs from certain areas, subject to compliance with a number of conditions, including surveillance.

(3) Taking into account the effectiveness of the surveillance and control measures applied in Latvia in accordance with Directive 2001/89/EC and Implementing Decision 2013/764/EU, as presented to the Standing Committee on Plants, Animals, Food and Feed, and in view of the favourable epidemiological situation of classical swine fever in that Member State, all areas in Latvia currently listed in the Annex to Implementing Decision 2013/764/EU should be deleted from that Annex..

(4) Decision 2013/764/EU should be amended accordingly.

(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

Point 3 of the Annex to Implementing Decision 2013/764/EU is deleted.

Article 2

This Decision is addressed to the Member States.

Done at Brussels, 16 October 2020.

For the Commission

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