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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,

Having regard to Council Directive 2002/99/EC of 16 December 2002 laying down the animal health rules governing the production, processing, distribution and introduction of products of animal origin for human consumption⁽³⁾, and in particular Article 4(3) thereof,

Whereas:

- (1) Commission Implementing Decision 2014/709/EU⁽⁴⁾ lays down animal health control measures in relation to African swine fever in certain Member States, where there have been confirmed cases of that disease in domestic or feral pigs (the Member States concerned). The Annex to that Implementing Decision demarcates and lists certain areas of the Member States concerned in Parts I to IV thereof, differentiated by the level of risk based on the epidemiological situation as regards that disease. The Annex to Implementing Decision 2014/709/EU has been amended several times to take account of changes in the epidemiological situation in the Union as regards African swine fever that need to be reflected in that Annex. The Annex to Implementing Decision 2014/709/EU was last amended by Commission Implementing Decision (EU) 2020/220⁽⁵⁾, following instances of African swine fever in pigs in Latvia, Hungary, Slovakia and Poland.
- (2) Council Directive 2002/60/EC⁽⁶⁾ lays down the minimum Union measures to be taken for the control of African swine fever. In particular, Article 9 of Directive 2002/60/EC provides for the establishment of a protection zone and a surveillance zone when African swine fever has been officially confirmed in pigs on a holding, and Articles

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10 and 11 of that Directive lay down the measures to be taken in the protection and surveillance zones in order to prevent the spread of that disease. Recent experience has shown that the measures laid down in Directive 2002/60/EC are effective in controlling the spread of that disease, and in particular the measures providing for the cleaning and disinfecting of infected holdings and other measures related to the eradication of that disease.

- (3) Since the date of adoption of Implementing Decision (EU) 2020/220, there have been new cases of African swine fever in feral pigs in Hungary and Poland.
- (4) In February 2020, several cases of African swine fever in feral pigs were observed in the district of tarnobrzieski in Poland in an area currently listed in Part I of the Annex to Implementing Decision 2014/709/EU. These cases of African swine fever in feral pigs constitute an increased level of risk, which should be reflected in that Annex. Accordingly, this area of Poland listed in Part I of the Annex to Implementing Decision 2014/709/EU affected by these recent cases of African swine fever should now be listed in Part II of that Annex instead of in Part I thereof.
- (5) In February 2020, a case of African swine fever in a feral pig was also observed in the county of Komárom-Esztergom in Hungary in an area currently listed in Part I of the Annex to Implementing Decision 2014/709/EU, located in close proximity to the locality of Szomor and to Pest county, in Hungary which are areas currently listed in Part II. This case of African swine fever in a feral pig constitutes an increased level of risk which should be reflected in that Annex. Accordingly, this area of Hungary listed in Part I of the Annex to Implementing Decision 2014/709/EU that is in close proximity to areas listed in Part II affected by this recent case of African swine fever should now be listed in Part II of that Annex instead of in Part I thereof.
- (6) Following those recent cases of African swine fever in feral pigs in Hungary and Poland, and taking into account the current epidemiological situation in the Union, regionalisation in these Member States has been reassessed and updated. In addition, the risk management measures in place also have been reassessed and updated. These changes need to be reflected in the Annex to Implementing Decision 2014/709/EU.
- (7) In order to take account of recent developments in the epidemiological evolution of African swine fever in the Union, and in order to combat the risks associated with the spread of that disease in a proactive manner, new high-risk areas of a sufficient size should be demarcated for Hungary and Poland and duly listed in Parts I and II of the Annex to Implementing Decision 2014/709/EU. The Annex to Implementing Decision 2014/709/EU should therefore be amended accordingly.
- (8) Given the urgency of the epidemiological situation in the Union as regards the spread of African swine fever, it is important that the amendments made to the Annex to Implementing Decision 2014/709/EU by this Decision should take effect as soon as possible.
- (9) 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:

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Article 1

The Annex to Implementing Decision 2014/709/EU is replaced by the text set out in the Annex to this Decision.

Article 2

This Decision is addressed to the Member States.

Done at Brussels, 28 February 2020.

For the Commission

Stella KYRIAKIDES

Member of the Commission

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ANNEX

The Annex to Implementing Decision 2014/709/EU is replaced by the following:

ANNEX PART I1.Belgium

The following areas in Belgium:

2.Estonia

The following areas in Estonia:

3.Hungary

The following areas in Hungary:

4.Latvia

The following areas in Latvia:

5.Lithuania

The following areas in Lithuania:

6.Poland

The following areas in Poland:

7.Romania

The following areas in Romania:

8.Slovakia

The following areas in Slovakia:

9.Greece

The following areas in Greece:

PART II

1. **Belgium**

The following areas in Belgium:

in Luxembourg province:

- the area is delimited clockwise by:
- La frontière avec la France au niveau de Florenville,
- La N85 jusque son intersection avec la N894 au niveau de Florenville,
- La N894 jusque son intersection avec la rue Grande,
- La rue Grande jusque son intersection avec la rue de Neufchâteau,
- La rue de Neufchâteau jusque son intersection avec Hosseuse,
- Hosseuse,
- La Roquignole,
- Les Chanvières,
- La Fosse du Loup,
- Le Sart,
- La N801 jusque son intersection avec la rue de l'Accord,
- La rue de l'Accord,
- La rue du Fet,
- La N40 jusque son intersection avec la E25-E411,
- La E25-E411 jusque son intersection avec la N81 au niveau de Weyler,
- La N81 jusque son intersection avec la N883 au niveau d'Aubange,
- La N883 jusque son intersection avec la N88 au niveau d'Aubange,
- La N88 jusque son intersection avec la N811,
- La N811 jusque son intersection avec la rue Baillet Latour,

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- La rue Baillet Latour jusque son intersection avec la N88,
- La N88 jusque son intersection avec la N871,
- La N871 jusque son intersection avec la N87 au niveau de Rouvroy,
- La N87 jusque son intersection avec la frontière avec la France.

2. **Bulgaria**

The following areas in Bulgaria:

- the whole region of Haskovo,
- the whole region of Yambol,
- the whole region of Stara Zagora,
- the whole region of Pernik,
- the whole region of Kyustendil,
- the whole region of Plovdiv,
- the whole region of Pazardzhik,
- the whole region of Smolyan,
- the whole region of Burgas excluding the areas in Part III.

3. **Estonia**

The following areas in Estonia:

- Eesti Vabariik (välja arvatud Hiiu maakond).

4. **Hungary**

The following areas in Hungary:

- Békés megye 950850, 950860, 951150, 951250, 951260, 951350, 951450, 951460, 951550, 951650, 951750, 952150, 952250, 952350, 952450, 952550, 952650, 953250, 953260, 953270, 953350, 953450, 953510, 953950, 954050, 954060, 954150, 956250, 956350, 956550, 956650 és 956750 kódszámú vadgazdálkodási egységeinek teljes területe,
- Borsod-Abaúj-Zemplén megye 650100, 650200, 650300, 650400, 650500, 650600, 650700, 650800, 650900, 651000, 651100, 651200, 651300, 651400, 651500, 651610, 651700, 651801, 651802, 651803, 651900, 652000, 652100, 652200, 652300, 652601, 652602, 652603, 652700, 652900, 653000, 653100, 653200, 653300, 653401, 653403, 653500, 653600, 653700, 653800, 653900, 654000, 654201, 654202, 654301, 654302, 654400, 654501, 654502, 654600, 654700, 654800, 654900, 655000, 655100, 655200, 655300, 655400, 655500, 655600, 655700, 655800, 655901, 655902, 656000, 656100, 656200, 656300, 656400, 656600, 656701, 656702, 656800, 656900, 657010, 657100, 657300, 657400, 657500, 657600, 657700, 657800, 657900, 658000, 658100, 658201, 658202, 658310, 658401, 658402, 658403, 658404, 658500, 658600, 658700, 658801, 658802, 658901, 658902, 659000, 659100, 659210, 659220, 659300, 659400, 659500, 659601, 659602, 659701, 659800, 659901, 660000, 660100, 660200, 660400, 660501, 660502, 660600 és 660800, valamint 652400, 652500 és 652800 kódszámú vadgazdálkodási egységeinek teljes területe,
- Fejér megye 403150, 403160, 403260, 404250, 404550, 404560, 405450, 405550, 405650, 406450 és 407050 kódszámú vadgazdálkodási egységeinek teljes területe,
- Hajdú-Bihar megye 900150, 900250, 900350, 900450, 900550, 900650, 900660, 900670, 901850, 900850, 900860, 900930, 900950, 901050, 901150, 901450, 901580, 901590, 901650, 901660, 901750, 901950, 902050, 902150, 902250, 902350, 902450, 902550, 902850, 902860, 902950, 902960, 903050, 903150,