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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) 2019/1336⁽⁵⁾, following instances of African swine fever in Bulgaria, Lithuania, Poland and Romania.
- (2) Since the date of adoption of Implementing Decision (EU) 2019/1336, there have been further instances of African swine fever in feral and domestic pigs in Bulgaria,

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Poland and Slovakia. Following these recent instances of that disease, and taking into account the current epidemiological situation in the Union, regionalisation in those three 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.

- (3) In August 2019, one outbreak of African swine fever was observed in domestic pigs in the region of Blagoevgrad and three cases in feral pigs were observed in the regions of Smolyan and Veliko Tarnovo in Bulgaria in areas currently listed in Part I of the Annex to Implementing Decision 2014/709/EU, and in the region of Shumen in close proximity to an area currently listed in Part I of the Annex thereto. This outbreak and these cases of African swine fever constitute an increased level of risk which should be reflected in that Annex. Accordingly, these areas of Bulgaria affected by African swine fever should be listed in Parts II and III of the Annex to Implementing Decision 2014/709/EU.
- (4) In August 2019, two outbreaks of African swine fever were observed in domestic pigs in the district of elblaski and three cases of African swine fever in feral pigs were observed in the districts of biłgorajski, rycki and ostrodzki in Poland in areas listed in Parts I and II of the Annex to Implementing Decision 2014/709/EU. These outbreaks and cases of African swine fever in feral pigs constitute an increased level of risk which should be reflected in that Annex. Accordingly, these areas of Poland affected by African swine fever should be listed in Parts II and III of the Annex to Implementing Decision 2014/709/EU.
- (5) In July and August 2019, ten outbreaks of African swine fever in domestic pigs and three cases in feral pigs were observed in Slovakia. Commission Implementing Decisions (EU) 2019/1273⁽⁶⁾ and (EU) 2019/1334⁽⁷⁾ were adopted in response to those occurrences. Implementing Decision (EU) 2019/1334 repealed and replaced Implementing Decision (EU) 2019/1273 and it applies until 18 November 2019. Implementing Decision (EU) 2019/1334 provides that the protection and surveillance zones established by Slovakia in accordance with Article 9 of Directive 2002/60/EC, where the measures provided for in Articles 10 and 11 thereof apply, are to comprise at least the areas listed in the Annex to that Implementing Decision. However, the epidemiological situation has continued to evolve.
- (6) These recent outbreaks of African swine fever in domestic pigs and the case in a feral pig in Slovakia constitute an increased level of risk which should be reflected in the Annex to Implementing Decision 2014/709/EU. Accordingly, this area of Slovakia in the Košice region affected by African swine fever should now be listed in Parts I and III of that Annex.
- (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 Bulgaria, Poland and Slovakia and duly listed in Parts I, II and III of the Annex to Implementing Decision 2014/709/EU. The Annex to Implementing Decision 2014/709/EU should therefore be amended accordingly.

- (8) 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

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, 22 August 2019.

For the Commission

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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:
in Luxembourg province:

2.Bulgaria

The following areas in Bulgaria:

3.Estonia

The following areas in Estonia:

4.Hungary

The following areas in Hungary:

5.Latvia

The following areas in Latvia:

6.Lithuania

The following areas in Lithuania:

7.Poland

The following areas in Poland:

8.Romania

The following areas in Romania:

9.Slovakia

The following areas in Slovakia:

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 de la Motte,
- La rue de la Motte jusque son intersection avec la rue de Neufchâteau,
- La rue de Neufchâteau,
- La rue des Bruyères jusque son intersection avec la rue de la Gaume,
- La rue de la Gaume 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,
- 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 Dobrich,
- the whole region of Plovdiv,
- the whole region of Pazardzhik,
- the whole region of Shumen,
- the whole region of Smolyan,
- the whole region of Varna,
- the whole region of Burgas excluding the areas in Part III,
- the whole region of Veliko Tarnovo 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:

- Heves megye 700150, 700250, 700260, 700350, 700450, 700460, 700550, 700650, 700750, 700850, 700860, 700950, 701050, 701111, 701150, 701250, 701350, 701550, 701560, 701650, 701750, 701850, 701950, 702050, 702150, 702250, 702260, 702350, 702450, 702750, 702850, 702950, 703050, 703150, 703250, 703370, 705150, 705250, 705450, 705510 és 705610 kódszámú vadgazdálkodási egységeinek teljes területe,
- Szabolcs-Szatmár-Bereg megye 850150, 850250, 850260, 850350, 850450, 850550, 850650, 850850, 850950, 851050, 851150, 851250, 851350, 851450, 851550, 851560, 851650, 851660, 851751, 851752, 851851, 851852, 852050, 852150, 852250, 852850, 852860, 852950, 852960, 853050, 853150, 853160, 853250, 853260, 853350, 853360, 853450, 853550, 854450, 854550, 854560, 854650, 854660, 854750, 854850, 854860, 854870, 854950, 855050, 855150, 855250, 855460, 855750, 855950, 855960, 856051, 856150, 856250, 856260, 856350, 856360, 856450, 856550, 856650, 856750, 856760, 856850, 856950, 857050, 857150, 857350, 857450, 857550 és 857650, kódszámú vadgazdálkodási egységeinek teljes területe,
- Nógrád megye 550110, 550120, 550130, 550210, 550310, 550320, 550450, 550460, 550510, 550610, 550710, 550810, 550950, 551010, 551150, 551160, 551250, 551350, 551360, 551450, 551460, 551550, 551650, 551710, 551810, 551821, 552360 és 552960 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, 652400, 652500, 652700, 652800, 652900, 653000, 653200, 653401, 653403, 653600, 653700, 653800, 653900, 654000, 654201, 654202, 654301, 654302, 654400, 654501, 654502, 654600, 654700, 654800, 654900, 655000, 655100, 655200, 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,