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from: General Secretariat
to: Working Party of Chief Veterinary Officers

Subject: Proposal for a Regulation of the European Parliament and of the Council laying down provisions for the management of expenditure relating to the food chain, animal health and animal welfare, and relating to plant health and plant reproductive material, amending Council Directives 98/56/EC, 2000/29/EC and 2008/90/EC, Regulations (EC) No 178/2002, (EC) No 882/2004 and (EC) No 396/2005, Directive 2009/128/EC and Regulation (EC) No 1107/2009 and repealing Council Decisions 66/399/EEC, 76/894/EEC and 2009/470/EC

Delegations will find attached a presentation made by the Commission representative at the meeting of the Working Party of Chief Veterinary Officers on 19 June 2013.



Proposal on the Common Financial Framework for the Food Chain

19 June 2013 – CM 3208/13

Working Party of CVOs

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➤ **Proposal for a Common Financial Framework (CFF)**

- ❖ Based on:
 - EC initial proposal for a MFF 2014-2020 – June 2011
 - Amended proposal – July 2012 (Croatia)
 - Accelerated Impact Assessment - August/September 2012
 - Conclusions of European Council - February 2013

❖ **Adopted by the Commission on 7 June 2013**





Main contents of the proposal

- **Structured as all funding programmes**
 - ❖ Maximum ceiling for the period 2014-2020:
 - ❖ Objectives and indicators
 - ❖ Eligible measures and costs
 - ❖ Funding rates
 - ❖ Procedures for approval of funding
 - ❖ Evaluation and control

- ❖ **BUT:**
 - ❖ Dedicated chapters for animal health, plant health and official controls
 - ❖ Access to the Reserve for crises in the agricultural sector





Articulation with other proposals of the Package

➤ **The CFF will be the single legal bases for funding (SANCO portfolio) in:**

- ❖ Animal Health
- ❖ Plant Health
- ❖ Official Controls

BUT: Timing issue

➤ **CFF:**

- ❖ to be adopted as soon as possible (by 2013 - early 2014)
- ❖ based on existing policy legislation

➤ **New Animal Health Law, Plant Health Law and Regulation for Official Controls:**

- ❖ expected to be adopted after the CFF

THEREFORE

➤ **New Plant Health Law and Regulation for Official Controls**

- ❖ will introduce some new measures for funding, not covered under the present legislation (e.g. animal welfare centres)
- ❖ already provide with technical amendments to the CFF
 - see proposal for a Plant Health Law: Art. 102
 - see proposal for Regulation on Official Controls: Art. 161



Food Safety budget 2014-2020

Title I – Chapter II – Art. 4

- Aligned with MFF 2014-2020 proposal
 - ❖ time-limited legal basis (7 years)
 - ❖ move of budget lines from Heading 2 (Agriculture) to Heading 3 (Citizenship)
- Budget revised after conclusions of European Council - February 2013
- Maximum ceiling for the 7 year period:

EUR 1 891,936 million

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Maximum Food and Feed expenditure

Budget executed 2012 Forecast Budget for 2014-2020

FOOD AND FEED SAFETY EXPENDITURE	2012	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2014-2020
Eradication programmes and other veterinary measures	€210,89	€180,00	€178,50	€177,00	€175,00	€171,50	€171,50	€171,00	€1.224,50
Plant Health surveys and Seeds	0	€5,00	€10,00	€14,00	€19,00	€25,00	€28,50	€30,50	€132,00
Controls	€39,13	€45,72	€47,36	€50,40	€53,56	€57,52	€60,02	€62,16	€376,75
Animal and Plant Health Emergency Measures	€14,23	€20,00	€20,00	€20,00	€20,00	€20,00	€20,00	€20,00	€140,00
Support/Administrative measures	€2,89	€2,67	€2,67	€2,67	€2,67	€2,67	€2,67	€2,67	€18,69
TOTAL	€267,15	€253,39	€258,53	€264,07	€270,23	€276,69	€282,69	€286,33	€1.891,936

(in million euro)



Eligible measures Title II

- **No measures withdrawn compared to the current regime**
 - ❖ except funding of border inspection posts (regional funds)
- **Keep measures already funded under the existing legal bases:**
 - ❖ Council Decision 2009/470/EC (veterinary programmes and veterinary emergency measures)
 - ❖ Council Directive 2000/29/EC (plant health measures)
 - ❖ Regulation (EC) No 882/2004 (official controls)
- **Some rewording / reorganisation of existing provisions, e.g.:**
 - ❖ Art. 34 (CFF) instead of Art 22 CD 2009/470 (for technical measures)
 - ❖ Art. 20 (CFF) instead of 23(2)(b) of 2000/29 (for plant health surveys)
- **Some adaptations to the existing programmes:**
 - ❖ e.g. actions in outermost regions integrated in the CFF
- **Minimum ceiling for grants: EUR 50 000**



Rates for grants Art. 6

- Standard (maximum) co-financing
 - ❖ **50% of eligible costs**
- Possibility to increase up to:
 - ❖ **75% of the eligible costs** for:
 - cross-border activities by two or more MSs to control/eradicate pests or animal diseases (**NEW**)
 - MSs whose gross national income per inhabitant (latest Eurostat data) is less than 90% of the Union average (**NEW**)
 - ❖ **100% of the eligible costs** for:
 - activities concerning the control of serious health risks for the EU (e.g. TSE ?)
 - specific tasks of particular importance for the Union according to the work programme (e.g. EU-RLs ?)
 - measures implemented in third countries (e.g. Rabies ?)



Alignment with the new Financial Regulation

(REGULATION (EU, EURATOM) No 966/2012 OF THE EUROPEAN PARLIAMENT AND OF THE COUNCIL of 25 October 2012 on the financial rules applicable to the general budget of the Union and repealing Council Regulation (EC, Euratom) No 1605/2002)

- **Compliance with regime for grants (Tile VI)**
- **Main principles:**
 - ❖ Transparency
 - ❖ Non-cumulative award
 - ❖ Grants *may* be awarded
- **Award procedure**
 - ❖ Priorities in the annual Commission WP
 - ❖ Comitology limited to adoption of WP (implementing act, examination procedure)
 - ❖ Implementation of grants by the Commission



Access to the Reserve for crisis in agriculture Art. 5

- **Reserve:**
 - ❖ 400 million euro per year under Heading 2 for agricultural crises
- Mechanism to react to exceptional situations (not only for SANCO)
- **Legal issue:**
 - ❖ How to transfer credits from Heading 2 to Heading 3
 - ❖ Need to amend the current AGRI financial regulation proposal
 - Art. 4(2)(e)





Thank you for your attention
