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Subject: Working Party of Chief Veterinary Officers

Date: Friday, 4 May 2012 (10h00)

Venue: COUNCIL

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1. OIE

- a) Final preparation for the General Session in May
 - i) Common positions, speaking notes and fall-back positions
 - ii) Suggestions for technical themes at General and Regional Sessions
 - iii) Confirmation of formal eligibility of EU candidates
- b) Exchange of views with representatives of Norway, Iceland and Switzerland
- c) Exchange of views with representatives of the African Union
- d) OIE PVS tool in the EU – state of play
- e) Presentation of the outcomes of the meeting of "OIE national focal points on animal welfare" in Kiev – Ukraine 6-8 March 2012

2. Draft Council conclusions on the Animal welfare strategy 2011-2015 and the Report on the impact of Council Regulation (EC) No 1/2005 on the protection of animals during transport – Presentation by the Presidency
(doc. to come)

3. Proposal for amending Regulation (EC) 1760/2000 as regards electronic identification of bovine animals and deleting the provisions on voluntary beef labelling and proposal for amending Council Directive 64/432/EEC as regards computer databases which are part of the surveillance networks in the Member States: state of play
 - Presentation by the Presidency
(doc. to come)
4. Draft Council conclusions on antimicrobial resistance: state of play
 - Presentation by the Presidency
(doc. to come)
5. EUFMD: current FMD situation in North Africa and Middle East
 - Presentation by the Chair of the EUFMD Executive Committee
6. Third Countries
 - a. Russian Federation and Customs Union
 - b. New Zealand
 - c. USA/Canada
 - Information by Commission/Presidency about visit to abattoirs in USA in connection with the draft Commission Regulation concerning the use of lactic acid to reduce microbiological surface contamination from bovine carcasses
 - d. State of play regarding Schmollenberg virus-induced trade restrictions against the EU
7. Information about international meetings and activities
 - Information from the Commission
8. Publication of data on results for avian influenza surveillance data in poultry and wild birds carried out in Member states
 - Exchange of views
9. A.O.B
 - a) Informal CVO-meeting in Denmark 6-8 June
 - Information from the Presidency
 - b) Workshop co-organised with Cyprus presidency and UECBV in Brussels in October 2012 on "Regulation 1999/2009"
 - state of play on Member State implementation towards the entry into force on 1.1.2013

NB: To reduce costs, only documents produced in the week preceding the meeting will be available in the meeting room.