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NOTICE OF MEETING AND PROVISIONAL AGENDA

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Subject: Working Party of Veterinary Experts (Potsdam Group)

Date: 9 February 2017
Time: 10.00
Venue: COUNCIL
JUSTUS LIPSIUS BUILDING
Rue de la Loi 175, 1048 BRUSSELS

1. Market access for animals and products of animal origin from the EU to third countries
– *Update by the Commission on ongoing activities and exchange of views*
2. Planning of the meetings in relation to agreements under negotiation planned during the first semester 2017
– *Information by the Commission and exchange of views*
3. Market access to certain Asian countries (Japan, Thailand, South Korea, Vietnam, Philippines)
– *Exchange of information on general expectations and priority commodities/certificates for delegations*

4. Intracommunity certification
 - *Request from the Danish delegation*
5. Indonesia: Partnership and Coordination Agreement, negotiations on a Free Trade Agreement
 - *Information by the Commission and exchange of views*
6. Armenia: Negotiations on the EU-Armenia Framework Agreement and on veterinary certificates
 - *Information by the Commission and exchange of views*
7. Canada: State of play on various trade issues
 - *Update by the Commission and exchange of views*
8. Russia: State of play on various trade issues
 - *Update by the Commission and exchange of views*
9. Ukraine: Application of regionalisation and reciprocity in relation to *avian influenza* restrictions
 - *Information by the Commission and exchange of views by the Member States on consequences related to trade*
10. United States of America (USA)
 - a) Transatlantic Trade and Investment Partnership (TTIP)
 - b) Food Safety Modernisation Act (FSMA) and system recognition
 - c) Update on recent events:
 - i. Recent draft rules on animal health from US Department of Agriculture
 - ii. Market opening for beef
 - iii. Recognition of updated EU pig meat inspection procedures by the USA
 - *Update by the Commission on the current state of play and exchange of views*
11. Mercosur: Upcoming negotiations on the draft Sanitary and Phytosanitary chapter of the Free Trade Agreement (FTA) (Buenos Aires, Argentina (20 – 24 March 2017))
 - *Update by the Commission and exchange of views*

12. AOB

- Chile, Columbia, Peru

Update on the Commission's communication with relevant authorities in 3rd countries

- China: 13th five-year plan on Food Safety Standards, Monitoring and Assessment 2016 – 2020 of the National Health and Family Planning Commission of the People's Republic of China (NHFPC)

Information by the Commission and request for contributions of Member States

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- NB: Council documents are available on Delegates Portal. A limited stock of documents produced immediately prior to the meeting will be available in the meeting room. Room attendants will provide copies on request at the earliest opportunity.
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