

Reference: TARP REG 25/067/S

THE TRADE IN ANIMALS AND RELATED PRODUCTS (SCOTLAND) REGULATIONS 2012 (SSI 2012/177) (THE "REGULATIONS")

DECLARATION UNDER REGULATION 25

Whereas Food Standards Scotland has reasonable grounds to suspect that there are serious shortcomings as regards veterinary medicines regulation and the residue control system in live animals and animal products in China, and has reasonable grounds to suspect the presence of

- (i) harmful residues including chloramphenicol, nitrofurantoin and its metabolites in products of animal origin originating in China and intended for human or animal consumption, and
- (ii) harmful residues of malachite green, crystal violet and their metabolites in products of animal origin originating in China and intended for human or animal consumption;

Whereas this is liable to present a serious threat to human and animal health;

Whereas on 20 December 2002, following the identification of such shortcomings and the detection of the presence of harmful residues, the Commission of the European Communities adopted Commission Decision 2002/994/EC concerning certain protective measures with regard to the products of animal origin imported from China (OJ No. L 348, 21.12.2002, p. 154);

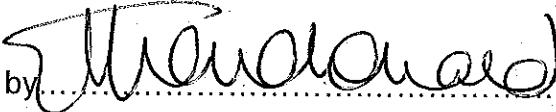
Whereas the Commission has amended that Decision several times, the last amendment being Commission Implementing Decision 2012/482/EU amending Decision 2002/994/EC concerning certain protective measures with regard to the products of animal origin imported from China (OJ No. L 226, 22.8.2012, p.5);

And whereas the Commission has further amended that Decision by Commission Implementing Decision (EU) 2015/1068 amending Decision 2002/994/EC concerning certain protective measures with regard to the products of animal origin imported from China (OJ No. L 174, 3.7.2015, p.30);

Food Standards Scotland declares in accordance with regulation 25 of the Regulations

With effect from 3 July 2015, the introduction into Scotland from China of consignments of products of animal origin intended for human consumption or animal feed use is permitted, subject to the conditions specified in Articles 2 and 3 of Commission Decision 2002/994/EC, as last amended by Commission Implementing Decision (EU) 2015/1068 amending Decision 2002/994/EC concerning certain protective measures with regard to the products of animal origin imported from China.

Declaration TARP REG 25/054/S is repealed with effect from 3 July 2015.

Signed by  on 3 July 2015

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For and on behalf of Food Standards Scotland

NOTES

- (1) Any expression used both in this declaration and Commission Decision 2002/994/EC as last amended by Commission Implementing Decision (EU) 2015/1068 amending Decision 2002/994/EC concerning certain protective measures with regard to the products of animal origin imported from China has the meaning it bears in Decision 2002/994/EC as so amended.
- (2) Importation of products of animal origin intended for human consumption or animal feed use from China in contravention of this declaration is a criminal offence, punishable by a fine.