THE LAW OF UKRAINE

“ON INTRODUCTION OF CHANGES TO THE LAW OF UKRAINE “ON VETERINARY MEDICINE””

Verkhovna Rada of Ukraine hereby r e s o l v e s:

to introduce changes to the Law of Ukraine "On Veterinary Medicine" (Vidomosti of Verkhovna Rada of Ukraine, 2002, No. 8, p. 62, 2003, No. 16, p.126, No. 27, p. 209, 2005, N 9, page

“Veterinary note” shall mean a single-use document issued by a state inspector of veterinary medicine or a licensed doctor of veterinary medicine, which document attests the veterinary-sanitary state of animals, products of animal origin, reproductive material, biological products and feed of animal and plant origin, including a mandatory indication of results of laboratory tests and the veterinary-sanitary status of the territory (facility) of origin and, for animals, a record of vaccination and diagnostic research;

Veterinary documents shall mean documents of an authorization nature, which include an international veterinary certificate, a veterinary affidavit, a veterinary card, a veterinary note and a veterinary-sanitary passport for animals issued by state inspectors of veterinary medicine and authorized or licensed doctors of veterinary medicine, attesting the veterinary-sanitary state of animals, quality and safety of products of animal origin, reproductive material, biological products, pathological material and feed;

“Veterinary immune-biological means” shall mean such means as are obtained with the use of biological agents through biotechnology, the therapeutic and/or diagnostic effect of which means is aimed at correction

substances, feed additives, premixes and feed, including research of production technology and technological equipment for compliance with veterinary-sanitary measures;

“Veterinary-sanitary and epizootic welfare” shall mean ensuring protection of human and animal life and health from hazards associated with animal diseases, including zoonosis, as well as ensuring optimum conditions for animal life, which prevent animal diseases and harmful effect of environmental factors on animal health and productivity;

“Veterinary-sanitary measures” shall mean any measures, including enforcement of laws, regulations and other normative-legal acts, books of rules, requirements and procedures, including, in particular, anti-epizootic measures, determination of end product criteria, processes and pr

mean a state body of public administration that carries out functions of the administration of veterinary medicine of Ukraine;

“State service of veterinary medicine of Ukraine” shall mean a system of state bodies for administration of veterinary medicine and state institutions of veterinary medicine;

“State veterinary-sanitary control” shall mean functions performed by state inspectors of veterinary medicine and/or authorized doctors of veterinary medicine, which consist of continuously ensuring fulfillment of veterinary-sanitary measures and technical regulations established by current law;

“State veterinary-sanitary supervision” shall mean functions performed by state inspectors of veterinary medicine and/or authorized doctors of veterinary medicine, which consist of periodic verification of the adherence to the requirements of current law in the sphere of veterinary medicine;

permit;

“Contaminants” shall mean any biological substance, including microorganisms and their parts, or a chemical substance (including pesticides, toxins), residues of veterinary preparations, including hormones, sedatives and thyreostatic substances, antibiotics, other veterinary preparations, salts of non-organic substances, organic and radioactive substances, and breakdown products thereof, or other substances, which are contained (got or developed) in products of animal origin, feed that may be harmful to human and animal health;

“National Control Program” shall mean a program developed by the Department and implemented by the state service of veterinary medicine, or , if this relates to a foreign country, - its Veterinary Administration, for the purpose of controlling (including containment and/or elimination) an animal disease and contaminants in products of animal origin and feed by specific measures applied throughout the country or within a zone or zones of the country;

“Interested trading partners” shall mean states and other subjects of international law that are participants of multilateral and bilateral agreements, of which Ukraine is also a participant, governing the application of veterinary-sanitary measures, and members of relevant international organizations, of which Ukraine is also a member;

“Establishment of veterinary medicine” shall mean an institution, enterprise, organization founded by a legal entity or a natural person (entrepreneur), who has qualification of a doctor of veterinary medicine that employs at least one doctor of veterinary medicine and carries out veterinary activity based on the license including veterinary practice, production of veterinary preparations, retail, wholesale trade in veterinary preparations, conducting disinfection, disinsection and deratization works;

“Devices of veterinary medicine” shall mean materials, equipment, instruments, specialized motor vehicles, and other mechanisms and tools intended for use in veterinary medicine;

“Means of animal care” shall mean methods that are intended for raising and taking care of animals that have no medical treatment or prophylaxis effect;

“Report on testing results” shall mean a document issued by the state or authorized laboratory of veterinary medicine containing a report on results of animal health testing and / or detecting of infectious or parasitic agents, their antibodies or results of pathologic or other testing. Recommendation and conclusions stated in the Report are compulsory for execution;

“Zone” shall mean a clearly defined part of the territory of a country with a defined veterinary-sanitary status;

“Zone free of the notifiable disease” shall mean a zone, in which the absence of certain animal disease has been confirmed by satisfying the requirements for free status, prescribed by the relevant international organizations. Within the zone and at its borders, appropriate control (containment) measures shall be effectively applied for commodities and other objects, which may carry relevant animal diseases, including transportation vehicles;

“Zone of low prevalence of the notifiable disease” shall mean a zone covering all or a part of a country or several countries or parts thereof, as determined by the administration of veterinary medicine, in which an animal disease occurs at a low level, and in which countries effective surveillance, control (containment) or elimination measures are conducted;

“Surveillance zone” shall mean a zone established within, and along the border of, a zone free of notifiable disease

“Zoonosis” shall mean such diseases as can be transmitted by animals to humans;

“Hazard identification” shall mean the process of detecting pathogenic agents that could potentially be introduced into the territory of Ukraine by importation of commodities and accompanying items;

“Infected zone” shall mean a zone, in which absence of animal disease has not been confirmed according to the requirements prescribed by the relevant international organizations;

“Quarantine zone” shall mean a zone, within which animal quarantine is being implemented, and which includes an infected zone and a buffer zone, and may also include a surveillance zone;

“Quarantine station (post)” shall mean a location (site), under the control of state bodies of veterinary medicine where groups of animals are kept in isolation, with no direct or indirect contact with other animals, which location is specially equipped to carry out observations for a specified length of time and, if appropriate, testing or medical treatment;

“Animal quarantine” shall mean special legal regime that is implemented in an infected and buffer zones, and, when appropriate, surveillance zone with the objective of containing an outbreak of an animal disease and eliminating such animal disease according to laws, relevant veterinary-sanitary measures and normative-legal acts issued pursuant to this Law;

“Quarantine veterinary militia post” shall mean a temporary, specially equipped location at the border of a quarantine zone established according to the decision of the State Emergency Anti-Epizootic Committee to contain and prevent the spreading of a notifiable disease;

“Quantitative risk assessment” shall mean an assessment where the outputs of the assessment of risk may be expressed numerically;

“Feed” shall mean products of animal, plant, microbiological and chemical origin including finished feed and mixed feed, intended for animal feeding separately or in the mix, containing nutritive substances in digestible form and causing no adverse effect on animal health;

“Feed of plant origin” shall mean forage grain, feed concentrates, mixed feed, cake, shorts, root crops, tuber crops, hay, straw and other feed of plant origin;

“Feed of animal origin” shall mean meat-meal, bone-meal, meat-and-bone meal, fish-meal, liver-meal, blood-meal, feather-meal, fat, live fish for feeding, milk and milk products, meat and other products of animal origin intended for animal feeding, based on animal protein;

“Feed additives” shall mean substances, micro-organisms and preparations, other than feed material and premixes, which are not normally consumed as feed by itself, but are intentionally added to feed or water in order to improve characteristics of feed, or products of animal origin, favorably affect the color of ornamental fish and birds, satisfy the nutritional needs of animals, reduce unfavorable effect of animal production wastes on the environment, improve the production of animal products, improve the productivity or welfare of animals, by means of affecting their gastro-intestinal flora or digestibility of feed;

“Laboratory of veterinary medicine” shall mean appropriately equipped laboratory, accredited by the National Accreditation Agency or relevant accreditation body of a foreign country that is staffed by specially trained personnel, competent to perform relevant technical procedures, and lead by a doctor of veterinary medicine;

the State for the determination of veterinary-sanitary measures to protect human and animal health and life from an adverse effect that the veterinary-sanitary measure is designed to address;

“Maladies” shall mean the condition of animals other than diseases that requires care or medical treatment by a specialist of veterinary medicine;

“Non-edible products of animal origin” shall mean raw materials of animal origin not normally used for human consumption, but that are used for pharmaceutical, surgical, agricultural, and industrial purposes;

“Objects of state veterinary-sanitary control and supervision” shall mean commodities, facilities (objects), devices of veterinary medicine, means of animal care and accompanying items;

“Circulation” shall mean moving (transporting) or storing, and any other actions related to the change of ownership or possession right, including, selling, exchanging or granting;

“Operator of facilities” shall mean a natural person or a legal entity that carries out activities, envisaged by this Law, using facilities (objects), for which the person/entity has the right of ownership, possession (use);

“Especially dangerous diseases on the OIE List” shall mean transmissible animal diseases that have a potential of rapid and significant spread, irrespective of national borders, which may have severe socio–economic consequences or present a threat to human or animal health and which may significantly affect international trade in animals and products of animal origin;

“Risk assessment” shall mean the evaluation of the likelihood of the biological and economic consequences of entry, establishment, or spread of a pathogenic agent within the territory of Ukraine;

“Consignment” shall mean any defined quantity of a commodity with the same name and properties, which is produced within a time period defined by the producer, under the same conditions in the same facilities (objects), transported by the same transportation vehicles, and when necessary, accompanied by the same relevant veterinary document;

animals;

“Premixes” shall mean mixtures of feed additives or mixtures of one or several feed additives, including vitamins, amino acids and minerals, with feed of animal origin or feed of plant origin or water, which are produced according to special technology using high-technology-equipment and used as carriers, not intended for direct feeding of animals;

“Border state inspector of veterinary medicine” shall mean a state inspector of veterinary medicine of the regional service of state veterinary-sanitary control and supervision on the state border and transport, who verifies import, transit and export consignments, which are the objects of state veterinary-sanitary control and supervision, and also allows their bringing in (entry) or bringing out (exit), depending on their veterinary-sanitary state, and issues relevant veterinary documents;

“Border inspection posts” shall mean premises located at the entry/exit points at the state border of Ukraine and designated customs offices, including entry/exit points at the highways, railway stations, airports, sea and river ports, where veterinary-sanitary control and supervision of consignments with the objects of state veterinary-sanitary control and supervision, crossing the state border of Ukraine, are conducted;

“Directive” shall mean a written demand of State Inspectors of Veterinary Medicine of Ukraine, Autonomous Crimean Republic, the oblasts, cities of Kyiv and Sevastopol, cities, rayons, regional Services of State Veterinary-Sanitary Control n37 Tw[“Prem)8.8(on, crne,34” shall ml)]0002 Tc-2 TD.411 Tcplan(ises locate40556 Tw[Tw3s of Vetpml)]0002 Tc-2 TD.411 Tcplan.0003 Tc

sanitary control and supervision;

“Registration certificate” shall mean a document which attests the state registration of veterinary preparations, feed additives, premixes and finished feed and their use in the animal-raising sector;

“Reproductive material” shall mean semen, zygotes, fertilized fish eggs, incubate eggs, fertilized ova, embryos, and other biological material that is designated for reproduction;

“Reference laboratory” shall mean a laboratory, authorized by the Department, which is involved as a "third party" in the course of resolution of disputable issues of the results of laboratory research;

“Risk” shall mean a likelihood of the occurrence of an adverse event and the likely magnitude of its consequences during a specified time period;

“Market” shall mean a specially allocated and equipped place for the rendering of services concerned with the selling of products;

“Instruction” shall mean a legal act, issued by the Chief State Inspectors of Veterinary Medicine of Ukraine, Autonomous Crimean Republic, the oblasts, cities of Kyiv and Sevastopol, cities, rayons, regional services of state veterinary-sanitary control and supervision on the state border and transport, or their deputies, to resolve internal organizational/commercial issues;

“Extended veterinary-sanitary control” shall mean process of verification of safety of commodities on the basis of laboratory research conclusions conducted by the state service of veterinary medicine;

“Hazard Analysis and Critical Control (Regulation) Points System (HACCP)” shall mean a system of identification, evaluation, research and control of hazards, which affect safety of animals, non-edible products of animal origin, products of animal origin, reproductive material, biological products, veterinary preparations, substances, feed additives, premixes, feed etc.;

“Outbreak of a disease” shall mean occurrence of a notifiable disease in facilities (objects, Ria [illegible]

documents, visual examination of a consignment when the latter is imported into the territory of Ukraine, exported out of

aim to reduce the level of risk;

“Notifiable disease” shall mean an animal disease on the list approved by the Department, and which disease, as soon as detected or suspected, must be immediately reported to the state inspector of veterinary medicine or an authorized doctor of veterinary medicine;

“Animal diseases” shall mean the clinical, immunological and/or histopathological manifestations of pathogenic agents;

“Micro-organism strains” shall mean genetically homogeneous populations of micro-organisms within a species, which have certain stable specific morphological features and biological properties;

“Qualitative risk assessment” shall mean an assessment where the outputs on the likelihood of the outcome or the magnitude of the consequences associated with the subject of risk assessment are expressed in such qualitative terms as 'high', 'medium', 'low' or 'negligible';

“Quality of objects of veterinary-sanitary control and supervision” shall mean aggregate properties and characteristic features of the objects of veterinary-sanitary control and supervision, capable of satisfying the needs (requirements) to those, who are using the latter.

Article 2. Legislation on Veterinary Medicine

The legislation on veterinary medicine shall be based on the Constitution of Ukraine, this Law, and other normative-legal acts issued in compliance thereto.

This Law shall not extend onto products of animal origin for human consumption in the process of production and internal circulation of such products within the country.

Article 3. Main Tasks of the State in the Sphere of Veterinary Medicine

The main tasks of the State in the sphere of veterinary medicine shall be:

To reduce or eliminate the risks with regard to the occurrence of zoonosis and diseases of the population;

To protect the territory of Ukraine from the entry of animal diseases from the territories of other countries or from quarantine zones;

To protect animals and the population from animal diseases by applying prophylactic, diagnostic, and medical treatment measures;

To take measures to prevent transmission of animal diseases through commodities, means of animal care and accompanying items;

To establish effective and efficient means for detecting, containing, controlling, and if possible, eliminating endemic animal diseases, and eliminating exotic animal diseases that have been introduced into the territory of Ukraine;

To ensure reliable and efficient measures to eliminate outbreaks of animal diseases with the purpose to minimize losses of animals and, in the case of zoonosis, reduce the risk to humans;

To monitor feed and water for ensuring their suitability for consumption and impossibility of transmitting animal diseases;

To ensure the proper, appropriate, effective, and safe use of veterinary preparations;

To protect the environment from negative effects associated with production and circulation of animals;

To protect animal welfare by means of ensuring the humane attitude toward animals throughout their life span;

To conduct clinical examination of animals before slaughter and conduct veterinary-sanitary testing of products of animal origin (including animals killed at hunting) including bacteriological, radiological, parasitological and toxicological laboratory research;

To implement state veterinary-sanitary control and supervision during the process of production and circulation of products of animal origin, and in agricultural product markets – of plant origin as well, veterinary preparations, substances, feed additives, premixes, feed, microorganism strains, reproductive and pathologic material, and to implement state veterinary-sanitary supervision during circulation of the devices of veterinary medicine and means of animal care;

To implement a national program of monitoring residue amounts of veterinary preparations and other contaminants in animals, products of animal origin and feed;

To implement standard border veterinary-sanitary control and/or extended veterinary-sanitary control of the objects of state veterinary-sanitary control and supervision;

To control the movement of the objects of state veterinary-sanitary control and supervision within Ukraine;

To facilitate the implementation of an animal identification system;

To facilitate continuing education and upgrading of the qualification of specialists of veterinary medicine;

To facilitate the practical introduction and wide application of the achievements of scientific and practical veterinary medicine; and

To develop, implement and apply veterinary-sanitary measures.

Section II. STATE MANAGEMENT IN THE SPHERE OF VETERINARY MEDICINE

Article 4. Bodies of State Management in the Sphere of Veterinary Medicine

State management in the sphere of veterinary medicine shall be carried out by the Cabinet of Ministers of Ukraine, central agency of executive power for agricultural policy affairs, the State Department of Veterinary Medicine with the State Inspectorate of Veterinary Medicine and its territorial bodies.

Article 5. Authorities of the Cabinet of Ministers of Ukraine in the Sphere of Veterinary Medicine

Competence of the Cabinet of Ministers of Ukraine shall include:

Ensuring implementation of state policies in the sphere of veterinary medicine;

Development and implementation of the relevant national programs;

Organization of implementation of veterinary-sanitary measures, aimed at ensuring veterinary-sanitary and epizootic welfare, protection of the territory of Ukraine against the entry of pathogenic agents of animal diseases from other countries or from quarantine zones, ensuring of safety of products of animal origin, imposition of the animal quarantine, protection of the

inspectors of veterinary medicine. The Law of Ukraine “On State Service” shall apply to the heads of regional services and their deputies.

6. The Department shall develop, review and adopt veterinary-sanitary measures, including measures on prophylaxis, medical treatment, diagnostics, and elimination of notifiable diseases.

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processing, storage and circulation of animals, products of animal origin, veterinary preparations, substances, feed additives, premixes, feed of animal origin, finished feed, reproductive material, as well as vehicles, which are used for transportation thereof, in case their operators violate veterinary-sanitary measures;

14) Carrying out of testing and providing consent to projects on planning and construction of animal farms, facilities (objects) engaged in animal slaughter, processing enterprises, enterprises for production of veterinary preparations, the markets; participating in the activities of working and state commissions for approving the start-up of these facilities (objects), and the allocation of land plots for all above-mentioned types of construction and water supply for animals;

15) State veterinary-sanitary supervision over the implementation of veterinary-sanitary testing at facilities (objects), which are used for production, processing, storage and circulation of animals, products of animal origin and, in agricultural product markets, - of plant origin as well;

16) Organization of laboratory-diagnostic (bacteriological, virus, chemic-toxicology, pathology-anatomy, histology, parasitology, radiology) and other studies in order to diagnose animal diseases and evaluate the safety of products of animal origin, feed additives, premixes, feed, reproductive material, bi

reproductive material, etc;

5) Introduction of the program for random veterinary-sanitary control of commodities during their circulation, and implementation of the national program for monitoring residue amounts of veterinary preparations and other contaminants in animals, products of animal origin and feed;

6) Organization of the evaluation of the use of veterinary preparations, feed additives, premixes, finished feed, and their effect on animal health;

7) Authorization of accredited laboratories for carrying out research (testing) of commodities;

8) Adoption of measurement techniques, testing methods for commodities, their lists, and attestation;

9) Adoption of the list of reference laboratories for carrying our arbitration research for commodities;

10) Distribution of funds, allocated from the State Budget of Ukraine, for financing the programs in the sphere of veterinary medicine among the state bodies of veterinary medicine and state institutions of veterinary medicine;

11) Notifying the Office International Epizootic (OIE) on the imposition, expected duration and the date of revocation of animal quarantine for especially dangerous diseases recorded onto the OIE List;

12) Introducing restrictions or prohibitions for import, transit and export of commodities and other objects of veterinary-sanitary control and supervision, which may carry especially dangerous diseases recorded onto the OIE List, or other notifiable diseases from certain countries or quarantine zones due to confirmed of such diseases;

13) Participating in preparation and drafting of international agreements on veterinary medicine issues, entering into inter-departmental agreements with Veterinary Administrations of other countries, participating in the activities of the relevant international organizations;

14) Drafting and adopting the regulations on territorial bodies and state institutions of veterinary medicine, including stipulation of the structure and staff number of the state service of veterinary medicine;

15) Drafting and adopting of veterinary-sanitary measures, normative-legal acts

9. Normative-legal acts of the Department issued within limits of its competence shall be binding on state bodies, legal entities (both Ukrainian resident and foreign), citizens of Ukraine, foreign nationals and persons without citizenship who reside/stay in the territory of Ukraine.

Article 8. Veterinary Medicine Subdivisions of the Ministries, Other Central Bodies of Executive Power, and Their Territorial Bodies

1. Subdivisions of veterinary medicine of the ministries, other central bodies of executive power and their territorial bodies shall organize and perform their work in accordance with this Law and shall be subordinated to the Department on issues specified by this Law. The heads of these subdivisions shall be appointed to and dismissed from their offices upon consent of the Department.
2. Subdivisions of veterinary medicine of the ministries, other central bodies of executive power and their territorial bodies shall operate on the basis of the provisions adopted by the heads of these bodies upon consent of the Department and its territorial bodies.

Article 9. Subdivisions of Veterinary Militia on Quarantine Veterinary Measures Enforcement

1. A subdivision of veterinary militia dealing with the accomplishment of quarantine veterinary measures within the Ministry of Internal Affairs of Ukraine and relevant subdivisions of its main offices and offices in the Autonomous Crimean Republic, the oblasts, cities of Kyiv and Sevastopol, city and rayon offices and units shall be created to provide practical assistance to the state bodies of veterinary medicine in organizing and conducting control and supervision over the fulfillment of the requirements of veterinary-sanitary measures with regard to prophylaxis, containment and, elimination of diseases, and shall be staffed exclusively with the doctors of veterinary medicine, who, according to their positions, shall be the state inspectors of veterinary medicine.
2. The subdivision of veterinary militia on quarantine veterinary measures enforcement of the Ministry of Internal Affairs of Ukraine and relevant subdivisions of the relevant main offices and offices in the Autonomous Crimean Republic, the oblasts, cities of Kyiv and Sevastopol, city and rayon offices and units shall be functionally subordinated to the Department and its territorial bodies.
3. Subdivisions of veterinary militia on quarantine veterinary measures enforcement shall be financed from budgetary funds allocated to the Department and its territorial bodies for carrying out anti-epizootic measures.
4. The Cabinet of Ministers of Ukraine shall approve regulations on subdivisions of veterinary militia dealing with the accomplishment of quarantine veterinary measures.

Section III. STATE VETERINARY-SANITARY CONTROL AND SUPERVISION

Article 10. Officials Implementing State Veterinary-Sanitary Control

1. State veterinary-sanitary control shall be implemented by the state inspectors of veterinary medicine.

2. The Chief State Inspector of Veterinary Medicine of Ukraine may empower doctors of veterinary medicine, employed by the state institutions of veterinary medicine, and licensed doctors of veterinary medicine with the authorities of state inspectors of veterinary medicine to conduct state veterinary-sanitary control. It shall be prohibited to interfere into the activities of authorized doctors of veterinary medicine with regard to implementation of veterinary-sanitary control.
3. State veterinary-sanitary control at the objects of certain central bodies of executive power, upon consent from the Department, may be conducted by the subdivisions of veterinary medicine of these bodies.

Article 11. Rights and Obligations of the Officials, Implementing State Veterinary-Sanitary Control

1. State inspectors of veterinary medicine and authorized doctors of veterinary medicine implementing state veterinary-sanitary control shall have the right to:
    1) Verify, in the course of transportation of objects of state veterinary-sanitary control and supervision, whether veterinary-sanitary measures are complied with and whether relevant accompanying veterinary documents are available;
    2) Verify safety of non-edible products of animal origin, including by means of extended veterinary-sanitary control, with regard to their conformity to the requirements of law and technical regulations;
    3) Take samples of commodities and other objects of state veterinary-sanitary control and supervision for veterinary-sanitary testing;
    4) Evaluate samples of non-edible products of animal origin and other objects of state veterinary-sanitary control and supervision for the purpose of verifying their adherence to veterinary-sanitary measures and minimum quality indicators established in relevant technical regulations;
    5) Verify the veterinary-sanitary state of production premises and storage conditions for reproductive material;
    6) Verify the adherence to veterinary-sanitary measures at the facilities (objects) used for keeping animals, production and circulation of non-edible products of animal origin, veterinary preparations,

1) Observe the requirements of the laws and normative-legal acts on issues of veterinary medicine and labor protection;

2) Immediately notify the heads of relevant state bodies of veterinary medicine on revealed violations of veterinary-sanitary requirements, established by law.

Article 12. Officials Implementing State Veterinary-Sanitary Supervision

1. State veterinary-sanitary supervision shall be carried out by the Chief State Inspector of Veterinary Medicine of Ukraine, chief state inspectors of veterinary medicine of the Autonomous Crimean Republic, the oblasts, cities of Kyiv and Sevastopol, cities, rayons, chief state inspectors of veterinary medicine of the regional services, their deputies and state inspectors of veterinary medicine.

2. The Chief State Inspector of Veterinary Medicine of Ukraine shall coordinate the implementation of state veterinary-sanitary supervision.

3. The Chief State Inspector of Veterinary Medicine of Ukraine may provide the doctors of veterinary medicine, employed by the state institutions of veterinary medicine, and licensed doctors of veterinary medicine with the authorities of state inspectors of veterinary medicine for the implementation of state veterinary-sanitary supervision;

4. Officials implementing state veterinary-sanitary supervision shall be provided with the uniforms according to the procedure, adopted by the Cabinet of Ministers of Ukraine, and financed from the State Budget of Ukraine.

5. Specimens of the uniforms and mark of rank for officials implementing state veterinary-sanitary supervision shall be adopted by the Cabinet of Ministers of Ukraine.

Article 13. Rights and Obligations of State Inspectors of Veterinary Medicine Implementing State Veterinary-Sanitary Supervision

1. State inspectors of veterinary medicine implementing state veterinary-sanitary supervision shall be empowered to:

1) For the purpose of implementing veterinary-sanitary supervision, within working hours, have unhindered access to facilities (objects), which are used for production, processing and circulation of commodities, veterinary preparations, feed additives, premixes and feed;

2) In the event of an outbreak of a notifiable disease, have, at any time, unhindered access to the facilities (objects) engaged in production or circulation of commodities, if such facilities (objects) are located within a quarantine zone to verify their veterinary-sanitary state and/or commodities, and/or to implement necessary measures imposed during the animal quarantine;

3) Obtain information necessary to determine the veterinary-sanitary state of, and ensuring safety of, goods, to reveal causes of animal diseases with the aim of determining the veterinary-sanitary status of the relevant zone;

4) Verify the state of implementation of veterinary-sanitary control;

5) Issue orders, instructions and directives on binding veterinary-sanitary measures (including animal slaughter, forced animal slaughter, neutralization, utilization or destruction of goods, compliance with procedures of processing, utilization or

destruction of objects if they are carrying notifiable diseases or there is a suspicion that these objects are infected with or are carrying a notifiable disease, or contain contaminants, radio-nuclides in the amounts exceeding maximum residue levels);

6) Prohibit export, import, transit and other circulation of commodities and means of animal care, which do not comply with veterinary-sanitary measures and/or technical regulations;

7) Issue orders, instructions and directives on withdrawing from circulation commodities and means of animal care, which do not comply with veterinary-sanitary measures and/or technical regulations;

8) Issue instructions and directives on the suspension, termination, renewal and annulment (cancellation) of operating permits and veterinary documents;

9) If need be, set up commissions of veterinary medicine experts, involving specialists of veterinary medicine of sectoral scientific-and-research institutions and higher educational establishments in order to identify animal diseases and causes of death in animals;

10) Restrict, prohibit or terminate, according to law, economic activities of legal entities or natural persons, in case the latter violate veterinary-sanitary measures, established by law, if such violations may cause immediate danger to human and animal life and/or health;

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performance of this person’s official duties, shall be fully compensated at the expense of guilty persons.

4. No rulings of the officials may constitute grounds for an unlawful action or inaction, which contradicts official duties of the state inspectors of veterinary medicine and authorized doctors of veterinary medicine.

Article 15. State Veterinary-Sanitary Control and Supervision of Animal Movements

1. State veterinary-sanitary control and supervision of animals that are being moved outside the facilities (objects) where they were kept shall be conducted by the relevant state bodies of veterinary medicine.
2. State inspectors of veterinary medicine and authorized doctors of veterinary medicine shall control the adherence to the requirements for animal identification, circulation, and movement, including forms and documents required to move or transport animals.
3. The system for registration of animal facilities (objects), the animal identification system and procedures for maintenance of the recording of data on animal movements must enable the clear identification of animals and traceability of their facilities (objects) of origin, movement, and circulation.
4. Loading, unloading or reloading of animals into a transportation vehicle shall be allowed only in those places that have facilities in compliance with veterinary- sanitary measures.
5. Circulation of animals that have a notifiable disease or are suspected of potentially having such disease shall be prohibited. Any movements of the animals may be performed only upon permission of the relevant state inspector of veterinary medicine.
6. Movements of unidentified animals or animals that are not accompanied by relevant identification, veterinary or other accompanying documents shall be prohibited.

Article 16. State Veterinary-Sanitary Control and Supervision at Markets

1. State veterinary-sanitary control and supervision shall be conducted at any market where trading in live animals and products of animal origin is organized.

2. State veterinary-sanitary control in the markets shall be conducted by the specialists of state institutions of veterinary medicine, and state veterinary-sanitary supervision shall be conducted by state inspectors of veterinary medicine.

3. Trade in animals shall be allowed only in places designated for the latter, in compliance with veterinary-sanitary measures.

4. It shall be prohibited to circulate animals and non-edible products of animal origin that are not accompanied by necessary veterinary documents.

5. Should state inspector of veterinary medicine determine that trade in the markets is carried out with violation of veterinary-sanitary measures, including in places not designated for the latter, state inspector of veterinary medicine shall issue a directive to prohibit circulation of such animals or non-edible products of animal origin until the revealed violations are corrected and shall levy a penalty.

Article 17. State Control and Supervision of Safety and Quality of Veterinary Preparations, Substances and Devices of

Veterinary Medicine

1. The purpose of state control and supervision of veterinary preparations, substances and devices of veterinary medicine shall be to implement organizational and legal measures, aimed at ensuring compliance by legal entities and natural persons with the requirements of this Law and relevant veterinary-sanitary measures and technical regulations.

2. State control and supervision of veterinary preparations, substances, devices of veterinary medicine shall include registration of veterinary preparations; licensing and attestation of economic entities which are engaged in the production or circulation of veterinary preparations; inspection of entities for ensuring their compliance with licensing requirements; certification as to compliance with requirements of adequate production practices, adequate distribution practices, adequate laboratory practices, verification of quality, efficiency and safety of veterinary preparations and substances in course of registration, production, circulation and /or use (application). Regulations on state control and supervision shall be developed and adopted by the Department.

3. State control and supervision with regard to safety and quality of veterinary preparations, substances and devices of veterinary medicine shall be conducted by the specialists of the state institutions of veterinary medicine, authorized by the Department. Such control shall be conducted without prior notice by means of unscheduled verifications or scheduled verifications, according to inspection programs, which shall be composed in advance, and which shall envisage the frequency of inspections and procedures, which shall be applied, including grounds of probability that veterinary preparations, substances and devices of veterinary medicine do not comply with prescribed requirements.

4. State institutions of veterinary medicine, authorized by the Department, shall implement the national program of monitoring residue amounts of veterinary preparations and other contaminants in animals, products of animal origin and feed, to verify appropriate use of preparations by the owners (keepers) of animals and to prevent harm to human and animal health.

5. Should residue amounts of veterinary preparations in products of animal origin, which were produced with changes of their normal state without adding any other substances, exceed established maximally levels of residues, authorized institutions of veterinary medicine shall inform their conclusions to the Department and the relevant chief state inspector of veterinary medicine for taking necessary measures, pursuant to law, in order to prevent placing such products into circulation.

6. State control of veterinary preparations shall include an research of safe residue amount of such preparations, and side effects of the application of veterinary preparations. This work shall be carried out by national reference laboratories that deal with controlling of residue amounts of veterinary preparations and feed additives within the State Scientific and Research Institute of Biotechnology and Microorganism Strains and the State Scientific-Control Institute of Biotechnology and Microorganism Strains.

7. The National Agency for Veterinary Preparations and Feed Additives, which functions on the basis of the State Scientific and Research Controlling Institute of Biotechnology and Microorganism Strains, shall carry out expert examinations and/or identifications of veterinary preparations and feed additives with a view of their further State registration, and the National Agency for Veterinary Immunobiological Preparations, which functions on the basis of the State Scientific-Control Institute of Biotechnology and Microorganism Strains, shall carry out expert examinations and/or identification of veterinary immunobiological preparations. The State Scientific-Research Institute of Laboratory Diagnostics and Veterinary-Sanitary Testing and other scientific and research institutions may be involved in the above activities.

Article 18. State Veterinary-Sanitary Control and Supervision on the State Border of Ukraine and Transport

1. State veterinary-sanitary control and supervision on the state border of Ukraine and transport shall be conducted by regional services of state veterinary-sanitary control and supervision on the state border of Ukraine and transport, their structural subdivisions (points).

2. State veterinary-sanitary control and supervision on the state border of Ukraine and transport shall be compulsory in the event of export, import and transit of objects of state veterinary-sanitary control and supervision by all types of transport.

3. Veterinary-sanitary control on the state border of Ukraine and transport shall be conducted by the state inspectors of veterinary medicine with drawing up of relevant documents. Working places of the above persons shall be created in border inspection posts.

4. State veterinary-sanitary supervision on the state border of Ukraine and transport shall be conducted by the Chief State Inspector of Veterinary Medicine of Ukraine, his/her deputies, state inspectors of veterinary medicine of the Department, chief state inspectors of veterinary medicine, their deputies, state inspectors of veterinary medicine of regional services.

5. Regulations on the regional service of state veterinary-sanitary control and supervision on the state border of Ukraine and transport shall be adopted by the Cabinet of Ministers of Ukraine.

Article 19. State Veterinary and Sanitary Control and Supervision for Hunting

1. The hunting season within a defined territory shall be opened upon confirmation by competent state bodies of veterinary medicine after compulsory epizootic surveillance of hunting areas.

2. Users of hunting and fishing areas shall inform the nearest state inspector of veterinary medicine on suspicious (unnatural) animal behavior and suspicious deaths of animals. The state inspector of veterinary medicine shall consider such reports if necessary after inspecting carcasses and, based on his/her professional judgment, shall take samples of animal tissue for research in the relevant laboratory of veterinary medicine.

Section IV. PRINCIPLES FOR DEVELOPING, APPROVING AND APPLYING VETERINARY-SANITARY MEASURES

Article 20. Objectives of Veterinary-Sanitary Measures

The Department, jointly with other bodies of state management in the sphere of veterinary medicine, shall undertake appropriate and necessary veterinary-sanitary measures with the aim to achieve the following objectives:

1. Protecting animal life or health from the risks resulting from the introduction, establishment or spread of animal diseases, disease-carrying and also disease-causing organisms;

2. Protecting human or animal life and health from the risks resulting from the additives, contaminants, toxins or disease-causing organisms, which are contained in the products of animal origin or feed;

3. Protecting human life or health from the risks resulting from diseases, which are carried by animals or products, manufactured thereof.

Article 21. Appropriate Level of Animal and Related Human Health Protection

1. The Department, jointly with other bodies of state management in the sphere of veterinary medicine, shall determine the appropriate level of animal and related human health protection.

2. The appropriate level of animal and related human health protection shall be determined based on the following:

1) The presence of animal diseases in Ukraine and implementation of the national programs designed to combat such animal diseases;

2) Forecast economic estimates of losses by the animal-raising sector of Ukraine, associated with the introduction of animal disease pathogens, which are absent in Ukraine, or with the spread of animal diseases, which are present in Ukraine;

3) Determination of the level of risk acceptable by the neighboring countries and interested trading partners;

4) International standards, guidelines, and recommendations;

5) Minimization of negative effects of veterinary-sanitary measures on international and domestic trade.

Article 22. Developing, Revising and Adopting Veterinary-Sanitary Measures

1. Veterinary-sanitary measures shall be developed, reviewed, revised and adopted by the Department based on the following:

1) Pursuant to item 4 of this paragraph, all veterinary-sanitary measures shall be based on scientific principles and scientific justifications, including relevant processes and methods of production, inspection, sampling, and testing methods; determination of prevalence of specific animal diseases; existence of zones that are free of or have low prevalence of animal diseases; relevant ecological and environmental conditions; and prophylactic animal quarantine or other regimes.

2) All veterinary-sanitary measures shall be based on international standards, guidelines, and recommendations of the relevant international organizations.

3) In case that international standards, guidelines, and recommendations do not exist or are insufficient to fulfill the appropriate level of animal and related human health protection, veterinary-sanitary measures shall be developed on the basis of a risk research according to the methodology of relevant international organizations.

4) When scientific justifications needed for risk research are insufficient, or in emergency circumstances, veterinary-sanitary measures shall be developed on the basis of information obtained from the relevant international organizations, or the veterinary-sanitary measures applied by interested trading partners.

2. In the course of developing, revising and adopting veterinary-sanitary measures applicable to imported commodities, the Department shall take into account Ukraine’s veterinary-sanitary status relative to that of the country of origin of commodities.

3. In the course of developing, revising and adopting veterinary-sanitary measures, arbitrary or unjustifiable discrimination shall be prohibited between interested trading partners, which are bringing commodities into the territory of Ukraine if Ukraine and the country of origin of commodities (one country of origin relative to another country of origin) have identical or similar veterinary-sanitary status.

Article 24. Risk Management Procedures

1. When importing commodities, the objective of risk management shall be to reduce relevant risks in line with the appropriate level of animal and related human health protection, as defined for Ukraine.
2. When considering alternative options for reducing the risk of introduction of animal disease pathogens from imported commodities, the chosen veterinary-sanitary measures must not limit trade more than necessary to achieve the appropriate level of animal and related human health protection, taking into account the technical and economic feasibility of proposed alternative measures.
3. Evaluation of economic feasibility of veterinary-sanitary measures shall include the evaluation of the potential harm in form of losses of production and sale of animals or products of animal origin in the event of introduction, establishment or spread of animal disease pathogens; the costs of containment, control, or elimination of such diseases, and the relative evaluation of cost-effectiveness of alternative options for measures, aimed at limiting the risks.
4. Risk management shall be implemented by the Department.

Article 25. Notifying of Proposed Veterinary-Sanitary Measures

1. Except as provided in paragraphs 5 through 8 of this Article, whenever there are no relevant international standards, or proposed veterinary-sanitary measures do not conform to international standards, the Department shall take the following actions:

1) A notice shall be immediately published in mass media publications in such form as to enable all interested parties to become acquainted with the content of proposed measures;

2) When a proposed veterinary-sanitary measure is expected to significantly affect the exporting opportunities of other countries, the Department shall prepare a relevant notification, which shall be sent by the Centre for Processing Inquiries and Providing Notifications Regarding Veterinary-Sanitary Measures (hereinafter, the “Enquiry and Notification Centre”) to interested trading partners.

2. The notice, referred to in item 2 of paragraph 1 of this Article, shall be submitted no less than 60 days before the adoption of proposed veterinary-sanitary measure. The notice shall be prepared in accordance with requirements of relevant international organizations or international agreements, to which Ukraine is a party. It shall include the commodities to be covered and/or affected by the veterinary-sanitary measure together with a brief indication of the objective and rationale of the proposed measure.

3. When requested in writing by a person or interested trading partners, the Department shall provide the text of the proposed veterinary-sanitary measure and, whenever possible, stipulate the provisions, which substantially deviate from international standards, guidelines and recommendations.

4. Upon written request of persons or interested trading partners, prior to finalizing the veterinary-sanitary measure, the Department shall consider comments that were received, and, in case of their expediency, take those into account when preparing the final draft of the veterinary-sanitary measure.

5. In the event that emergency epizootic circumstances arise, and a veterinary-sanitary measure is adopted, a notice on its application shall be published in mass media.

Article 29. Determining the Effectiveness of a Foreign Veterinary Service

1. Assessment of the effectiveness of the Veterinary Administration of another country (hereinafter: foreign Veterinary Administration) shall be based on the following:

1) Membership of the country in the relevant international organizations;

2) Fulfillment of reporting requirements to the relevant international organizations and application of veterinary-sanitary measures pursuant to international agreements concluded by Ukraine;

3) The necessary level of qualification for staff members of the foreign Veterinary Administration, including the level of their professional education, necessary experience, and competence to make solid professional decisions;

4) Independence of employees of the foreign Veterinary Administration from any commercial, financial, administrative, political and other pressures, which may affect their judgments and decisions;

5) Impartiality of the foreign Veterinary Administration, as well as impartiality of its employees, in particular in the course of rendering of services;

6) Integrity of employees of the foreign Veterinary Administration and prevention of fraud, corruption and falsification;

7) The transparency of decision making by the foreign Veterinary Administration;

8) Availability of appropriate law and organization that ensures control over the establishment and fulfillment of veterinary-sanitary measures and of international veterinary certification activities, including legislative acts, stipulating the competence and the structure of the foreign Veterinary Administration;

9) Establishment of procedures and standards relating to:

a. Planning and management of activities, including international veterinary certification activities;

b. Prevention and control of animal disease outbreaks;

c. Epizootic surveillance and zoning of the territory of the country pursuant to the veterinary-sanitary status;

d. Inspection and sampling techniques;

e. Diagnostic research for animal diseases;

f. Development, production, registration and control of biological products, used for the diagnostics of animal diseases and for production of veterinary preparations;

g. Treatments intended to destroy pathogenic agents in products of animal origin;

h. Minimum qualification level (education and professional training) for laboratory specialists and those officials authorized to inspect commodities and issue international veterinary certificates;

i. Use of international standards, guidelines, and recommendations when issuing international veterinary certificates;

j. Use of international standards, guidelines, and recommendations in course of application of measures to control animal disease outbreaks;

k. Frequency of serological surveys for animal diseases.

10) The frequency of invalid international veterinary certificates, and also certificates, attesting to an import consignment's freedom from an animal disease, which were issued by the officials of the foreign Veterinary Administration for import consignment of commodities, but were invalidated by laboratory research (testing) of samples from such shipment;

11) Existence of the State system for identification and registration of animals;

12) Other criteria recommended by the relevant international organizations.

2. All criteria considered and relevant conclusions made when evaluating the effectiveness of a foreign Veterinary Administration shall be fully documented

relation to those for domestic commodities and not exceed the approximate costs of services rendered;

11) that the sampling procedures and requirements associated with the use of particular facilities for carrying out control, inspection, and decision approval procedures shall minimize related inconveniences and be equitable for all objects of state veterinary-sanitary control and supervision of foreign and domestic origin;

12) that procedure for reviewing complaints with regard to implementation of control, inspection, and approval procedures shall be established, aimed at taking corrective action when a complaint is justified.

2. The Department may prescribe requirements for facilities (objects), production processes, storage conditions and other requirements for goods that are imported into Ukraine. Such requirements must not exceed similar requirements that are prescribed for domestic producers that produce and/or realize such goods.

3. The State Service of Veterinary Medicine of Ukraine may verify compliance with requirements for facilities (objects), production processes, storage conditions and other requirements in countries, from which goods are imported (hereinafter referred to, as “facilities (objects) for importation into Ukraine”). Specialists from the State Service of Veterinary Medicine, who are authorized by the Department, must have unhindered access to the facilities (objects) for importation into Ukraine for purposes of inspection for verifying their compliance with the requirements specified in Part 2 of this Article. The Department shall be obligated to notify the relevant competent service in the importer’s country about the said inspection at least 48 hours prior to such inspection.

4. It shall be prohibited to import goods from the facilities (objects) for importation into Ukraine, in the course of inspection of which the relevant service has revealed failures to comply with the prescribed requirements.

5. The Department shall maintain a registry on facilities (objects) for importation of goods into Ukraine.

6. Procedures for inspection of compliance with the requirements specified in Part 2 of this Article as well as procedures for registration and removal from the registry on facilities (objects) for importation into Ukraine shall be laid down by the Department.

Article 31. Documentation of Veterinary-Sanitary Measures

1. The Chief State Inspector of Veterinary Medicine of Ukraine shall appoint a group of the officials in the Department, which shall be responsible for receiving and coordinating responses to all questions associated with veterinary-sanitary measures, including control, inspection and approval procedures, from interested parties, and for the provision of the copies of relevant documents, upon request of the above persons, which shall include :

1) Approved or proposed veterinary-sanitary measures;

2) Control, inspection, and approval procedures;

3) Procedures for animal disease risk assessment, criteria to be taken into consideration, and means of determining the appropriate level of animal and related human health protection.

4) Information regarding membership and participation of Ukraine in the relevant international organizations or international agreements regarding veterinary-sanitary measures and the texts of such agreements.

Article 32. Issuance of Respective Veterinary Documents

1. Veterinary documents for movement of animals, products of animal origin and other objects of state veterinary-sanitary

control and supervision shall be obtained in order to protect the territory of Ukraine against transmission of animal diseases from the territory of other countries and quarantine zones and to protect the public against diseases common for animals and people as well as to prevent the existence of residual quantities of veterinary preparations and contaminating substances in products of animal origin and fodder.

2. Objects of state veterinary-sanitary control and supervision shall be accompanied by the following veterinary documents:

1) international veterinary certificates (for CIS countries – veterinary affidavits in forms No. 1, No. 2, No. 3) – in case of movement outside Ukraine;

2) veterinary affidavits (for Ukraine – forms No. 1 and No. 2) – in case of movement outside the territory of the Autonomous Crimean Republic, the oblasts, cities of Kyiv and Sevastopol, rayons and cities;

3) veterinary notes – in case of movement within a rayon.

Veterinary documents shall also include veterinary cards and/or veterinary-sanitary passports for animals.

3. The right to issue international veterinary certificates, veterinary affidavits, veterinary notes, veterinary cards and/or veterinary-sanitary passports for animals shall be vested with relevant state inspectors of veterinary medicine and authorized doctors of veterinary medicine: 1) departments of veterinary medicine in the Autonomous Crimean Republic, oblasts, cities of Kyiv and Sevastopol, cities of the oblast level, rayons; 2) state institutions of veterinary medicine;

3) regional services of state veterinary-sanitary control and supervision at the State border and transport.

4. Veterinary notes and veterinary-sanitary passports for animals may be also issued by licensed doctors of veterinary medicine.

5. Relevant veterinary documents shall be issued on a paid basis pursuant to Article 99 of this Law.

6. A decision to issue or refuse to issue veterinary documents shall be passed not later than within one month from the date, on which documents submitted for review were received.

7. Grounds for refusing to issue veterinary documents or annulling veterinary documents shall be as follows:

1) failure to comply with veterinary-sanitary measures contemplated by law; aggravation of an epizootic situation in a certain territory, at a facility (object);

3) impossibility to directly review an object of 0 TD.00bc.0461 TTcC9

1) All the especially dangerous diseases recorded onto the OIE List;

2) Exotic animal diseases, which, in case of the introduction and further spread in Ukraine, may result in an unacceptable level of risk for animals and/or humans;

3) Those animal diseases, which have manifestation in Ukraine, and which, in case of an outbreak or spread in the territory of Ukraine, may result in an unacceptable level of risk to the animal and/or human health.

2. Upon the recommendation of the Chief State Inspector of Veterinary Medicine of Ukraine, an animal disease may be included into the list of notifiable diseases in order to collect information regarding the prevalence of such disease.

Article 34. Registration of Animal Facilities

1. Persons, engaged in raising animals for personal consumption, including cattle, pigs, sheep, goats, rabbits, and poultry, but excluding non-food-producing animals, as well as those raised for recreational purposes, shall be obliged to register with the relevant state bodies of veterinary medicine. Such register shall include the name of the owner of animals, address, telephone number, and other information, the species of animals, which are kept by the relevant person, and the number of animals within each species.

2. Operators of facilities (objects) used for commercial raising (rearing) of animals shall be obliged to register them with the relevant bodies of veterinary medicine. Such register shall include the species of animals, which are kept in the relevant facilities (objects), the number of animals of each species, the name of the operator of facilities (objects), and, when necessary, the name of the owner of animals, their address, telephone number, and other information.

Article 35. Implementation of Prophylactic Animal Quarantine

Animals that are being introduced into a herd from other facilities (objects), or animals that were purchased in a domestic market shall be subject to compulsory prophylactic animal quarantine for a defined period of time. During prophylactic animal quarantine, animals shall be kept separately in specially designated and isolated places (quarantine points) under the supervision of a state inspector of veterinary medicine or authorized doctor of veterinary medicine, and shall be subject to veterinary-sanitary survey. Animals shall be included in the herd only upon completion of prophylactic animal quarantine, based on a written permit from the state inspector of veterinary medicine.

Article 36. Rights of Persons With Regard to Ensuring Veterinary-Sanitary and Epizootic Welfare

With the aim to ensure veterinary-sanitary and epizootic welfare, legal entities and natural persons, whose activities are related to keeping, transportation and circulation of animals, and also with production, processing and circulation of products of animal origin, veterinary preparations, substances, feed additives, premixes, feed and reproductive material shall have the right to:

a) obtain from the state bodies of veterinary medicine, other state institutions of veterinary medicine, local bodies of executive power and bodies of local self-government information on the epizootic state of serviced territory;

b) appeal to the relevant chief inspector of veterinary medicine, or to court, the decisions and actions of the officials of the state bodies of veterinary medicine, authorized doctors of veterinary medicine and other persons authorized by the

Department to perform certain functions.

Article 37. Obligations of Persons Keeping Animals or Participating in their Circulation

Legal entities and natural persons, whose activities are related to keeping and circulating of animals, shall be obliged to:

1) ensure that animals, which they are raising, keeping and/or circulating, do not have notifiable diseases;

2) fulfill lawful requirements of state inspectors of veterinary medicine and authorized doctors of veterinary medicine with regard to the implementation of anti-epizootic measures and /or measures of animal quarantine, including restrictions on movement of animals and/or persons, which had a contact with the animals that have a notifiable disease or are suspected of having a notifiable disease, and with regard to other veterinary-sanitary measures;

3) immediately inform the state inspector of veterinary medicine, authorized doctor of veterinary medicine or the officials of the state bodies of veterinary medicine on sudden murrain of animals, suspicion or detection of a notifiable disease, or behavior of animals that is unnatural for them;

4) before moving animals from the facilities (objects), where they are kept,- obtain from the state inspector of veterinary medicine a permit for their movement;

5) protect animal health and welfare by means of:

a) ensuring the implementation of veterinary-sanitary measures, including zoo-hygienic requirements and conditions, which shall be observed at the facilities for keeping animals;

b) supplying animals with quality and safe feed and water;

c) application of prophylactic veterinary-sanitary measures with regard to animal health;

d) timely application for services of the doctor of veterinary medicine with regard to diagnostics and medical treatment of diseased animals;

e) use of veterinary preparations in accordance with the rulings of the doctor of veterinary medicine;

f) prevention of cruel treatment of animals;

g) providing for appropriate transportation vehicles for movement of animals;

6) fulfillment of the requirements of identification of animals, which they own, including cats and dogs and other small domestic pets, which shall be identified with the help of micro-chips;

7) deliver animals to a defined place, or ensure appropriate conditions in the place of keeping animals, for carrying out veterinary visual examination, diagnostic, prophylactic-medical treatments, including research and vaccination. If necessary, provide for securing the animals during provision of care, transportation (delivery) of samples of tissue, blood and other materials for diagnostic research;

8) keep records for each food-producing animal with regard to purchase and use of veterinary medicinal means, veterinary immune-biological means and medicated feed, and save these records for no less than three years;

9) facilitate state inspectors of veterinary medicine and authorized doctors of veterinary medicine in the course of discharge of official duties;

10) upon request of state inspectors of veterinary medicine or an authorized doctor of veterinary medicine, provide

samples of non-edible products of animal origin for carrying out relevant research.

Section VI. REGULATION of CIRCULATION OF ANIMALS AND REPRODUCTIVE MATERIAL

Article 38. Permits for Events Featuring Animals

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conducted to confirm the existence of the animal disease or to lift the suspicion of the animal disease in accordance with the procedure prescribed by the Department.

6. The Department shall establish the procedure for systematic monitoring.

Article 40. Circulation of Reproductive Material

It shall be prohibited to circulate semen for artificial insemination, fertilized ova, or embryos, if their biochemical, biophysical, or morphological properties, do not satisfy the basic conditions necessary for reproduction, or if they contain higher than permitted levels of bacteria or animal disease agents.

Section VII. EMERGENCY ANTI-EPIZOOTIC COMMISSIONS AND ANIMAL QUARANTINE

Article 41. Establishment of the State Emergency Anti-Epizootic Commission under the Cabinet of Ministers of Ukraine and Local State Emergency Anti-Epizootic Commissions

1. The Cabinet of Ministers of Ukraine shall establish a permanent State Emergency Anti-Epizootic Commission under the Cabinet of Ministers of Ukraine.
2. The competence of the State Emergency Anti-Epizootic Commission under the Cabinet of Ministers of Ukraine shall include implementation of operative control, guidance, and coordination of the activities of the bodies of executive power, state services, enterprises, establishments, organizations and persons with regard to prevention of the outbreaks of mass animal diseases and poisoning, and their elimination.
3. The State Emergency Anti-Epizootic Commission under the Cabinet of Ministers of Ukraine shall be chaired by the Vice-Prime-Minister of Ukraine, and shall consist of the Chief State Inspector of Veterinary Medicine of Ukraine, who shall be the Deputy-Chairman of the Commission, the deputies of the Chief State Inspector of Veterinary Medicine of Ukraine, the heads of central bodies of executive power: on issues of agricultural policy, the interior, economy, health protection, transport, emergency situations, and for affairs of protection of the population against consequences of the Chernobyl catastrophe finance, communication and informatization, forestry, state border protection, the customs service, foreign affairs, the security service, the state tax administration, as well as the Ukrainian Academy of Agricultural Sciences and officials of other bodies, non-government organizations and scientific institutions as determined by the Cabinet of Ministers of Ukraine.
4. Veterinary medicine specialists included on the State Emergency Anti-Epizootic Commission under the Cabinet of Ministers of Ukraine shall be authorized to perform functions of state inspectors of veterinary medicine for the time-period of the above Commission activities.
5. Members of the State Emergency Anti-Epizootic Commission under the Cabinet of Ministers of Ukraine shall be provided with necessary means for containing an animal disease outbreak and eliminating the latter, including devices of veterinary medicine, veterinary preparations, communication means, and with a priority right for using communication channels, specialized transportation vehicles of veterinary medicine and other transportation vehicles, for purchasing tickets for all types of transport, and for hotel lodging while exercising their official duties. Expenses for means necessary to counteract an animal disease outbreak shall be reimbursed from the funds allocated for conducting veterinary-sanitary and anti-

epizootic measures.

6. Local state emergency anti-epizootic commissions shall be created by the Council of Ministers of the Autonomous Crimean Republic, oblast state administrations, state administrations of the cities of Kyiv and Sevastopol, city Radas, and rayon state administrations. In case of suspicion or confirmation of an outbreak of especially dangerous diseases recorded onto the OIE List, local state anti-epizootic commissions shall be obliged to follow the instructions of the State Emergency Anti-Epizootic Commission under the Cabinet of Ministers of Ukraine, and regularly report on their activities to the latter.
7. Regulations on the State Emergency Anti-Epizootic Commission under the Cabinet of Ministers of Ukraine and standard regulations on the state emergency anti-epizootic commission under the Council of Ministers of the Autonomous Crimean Republic, state administrations of the oblasts, cities of Kyiv and Sevastopol, cities and rayons and city Radas shall be adopted by the Cabinet of Ministers of Ukraine.
8. Decisions of the State Emergency Anti-Epizootic Commission under the Cabinet of Ministers of Ukraine and local State Emergency Anti-Epizootic Commissions shall be binding on central agencies of executive power, bodies of local self-government and owners of goods.

Article 42. Suspicion of an Outbreak of a Notifiable Disease

1. Owners (keepers) of animals, operators of facilities (objects), licensed doctors of veterinary medicine, state doctors of veterinary medicine, and authorized doctors of veterinary medicine shall be obliged to immediately inform the relevant chief state inspector of veterinary medicine on the suspicion or detection of a notifiable disease or an animal disease that was not registered in Ukraine before.
2. The state inspector of veterinary medicine, who received a notification on a suspicion of or detection of a notifiable disease, shall immediately inform the chief state inspector of veterinary medicine of the relevant territory. In case the notification that was received pertains to especially dangerous diseases of the OIE List, the chief state inspector of veterinary medicine of the relevant territory shall immediately inform the Chief State Inspector of Veterinary Medicine of Ukraine, who in turn shall inform the Chairman of the State Emergency Anti-Epizootic Commission under the Cabinet of Ministers of Ukraine.

Article 43. Confirmation of an Outbreak of Especially Dangerous Diseases recorded onto the OIE List

1. In case of a suspicion of an outbreak of especially dangerous diseases included into the OIE List, the state inspector of veterinary medicine, which carries out supervision over animals, which have a disease or are suspected of having a disease, shall collect pathological material, according to the procedures specified in the relevant rules, and dispatch such to an authorized laboratory for carrying out necessary diagnostic research.
2. Upon confirmation of an especially dangerous disease recorded onto the OIE List, the State Emergency Anti-Epizootic Commission under the Cabinet of Ministers of Ukraine or relevant local state emergency anti-epizootic commissions, local State administrations and bodies of local self-government shall determine the boundaries of infected and buffer zones, and if necessary, of the surveillance zone.
3. The State Emergency Anti-Epizootic Commission under the Cabinet of Ministers of Ukraine or relevant state emergency

anti-epizootic commissions shall order one or several measures prescribed in the relevant contingency plan or rule book, or in their absence - the implementation of one or several measures listed in Article 44 of this Law, according to the nature of especially dangerous diseases recorded onto the OIE List and the level of risk in the infected and buffer zones, and surveillance zone.

4. In the event of an especially dangerous disease recorded onto the OIE List, the State Emergency Anti-Epizootic Commission under the Cabinet of Ministers of Ukraine or relevant local state emergency anti-epizootic commissions shall publish in mass media such notices as must contain information on the boundaries of the infected and buffer zones and surveillance zone, and, if necessary, on veterinary-sanitary measures applied in each of these zones.

1. During the outbreak of an animal disease, on the basis of the statement of a state inspector of veterinary medicine or an authorized doctor of veterinary medicine, bodies of internal affairs shall be obliged to assist them in the implementation of measures to restrict and prohibit circulation of animals, other goods and mn4qedt oTJ17.06150 TD.0006 Tc.0294 Tw(mf apeole) withi aniint

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6. Local bodies of executive power and/or bodies of local self-government of the relevant administrative-territorial unit shall be responsible for implementation of measures of animal quarantine (quarantine restrictions). State bodies and institutions shall be obliged to support implementation of quarantine measures.

7.