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COMMUNICATION FROM THE INTERGOVERNMENTAL AUTHORITY ON DEVELOPMENT (IGAD)

The following communication, received on 28 February 2019, is being circulated at the request of the Intergovernmental Authority on Development (IGAD).

1. The IGAD Center for Pastoral Areas and Livestock Development (ICPALD) is a regional technical center of IGAD (Intergovernmental Authority on Development), a regional economic community serving the seven member States in East Africa (Djibouti, Ethiopia, Kenya, Sudan, South Sudan, Somalia and Uganda).

2. Technical support provided for the above member States by IGAD/ICPALD during the reporting period to enhance trans-boundary animal disease control and livestock trade in the region that complement the national development efforts of member States include:

- Facilitated and supported development of bilateral cross border MOU and implementation framework to operationalize the MOU between Ethiopia and Djibouti, Sudan and South Sudan and Ethiopia and Somalia, to enhance harmonized animal disease surveillance, vaccination and disease reporting along the borders;
- Conducted regional training of trainers (ToT) for seven countries on emergency management of transboundary animal diseases; contingency planning and simulation exercises;
- Supported Djibouti and Somalia to develop national SPS strategies aligned to the regional SPS strategy.

3. Acknowledgement: IGAD/ICPALD is grateful for member States, USAID, World Bank, European Union and FAO for collaboration and/or financing the implementation of the above activities.
