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Committee on Sanitary and Phytosanitary Measures

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NOTIFICATION

1. Notifying Member: <u>RUSSIAN FEDERATION</u>

If applicable, name of local government involved:

- 2. Agency responsible: The Federal Service for Veterinary and Phytosanitary Surveillance
- 3. Products covered (provide tariff item number(s) as specified in national schedules deposited with the WTO; ICS numbers should be provided in addition, where applicable): Live pigs; pork meat; raw meat preparations; finished products from pork; finished products containing pork or raw materials of animal (pork) origin; raw materials of animal (pork) origin

4. Regions or countries likely to be affected, to the extent relevant or practicable:

- [] All trading partners
- **[X] Specific regions or countries:** Czech Republic, Estonia, European Union, Latvia, Lithuania, Poland, Romania
- Title of the notified document: Letter of the Federal Service for Veterinary and Phytosanitary Surveillance (Rosselkhoznadzor) of 5 December 2017 No. FS-NV-7/26504.
 Language(s): Russian. Number of pages: 6
- **6. Description of content:** This letter abolishes number of letters of Rosselkhoznadzor imposing restrictions on imports of live pigs, pork and pork products from Lithuania, Poland, Latvia, Estonia, Czech Republic and Romania due to ASF outbreaks. In particular, letters notified by G/SPS/N/RUS/48 dated 10 February 2014, G/SPS/N/RUS/49 dated 4 March 2014, G/SPS/N/RUS/64 dated 16 July 2014, G/SPS/N/RUS/143 dated 16 September 2014, G/SPS/N/RUS/142 dated 24 July 2017, G/SPS/N/RUS/143 dated 4 August 2017, are abolished. In accordance with this letter import of live pigs, pork meat and raw meat preparations from the entire territory of the European Union to the territory of the Russian Federation, excluding the territory of Sardinia and certain other administrative territories of the EU member States, is allowed. The list of administrative territories is set out in the Annex to the veterinary certificate. Moreover, in accordance with this letter, import of heat-treated pork products from the territories affected by ASF is allowed only on condition of heat-treatment in accordance with Chapter 15.1 of the OIE Code. Transit restrictions for goods from ASF affected territories persist.
- 7. Objective and rationale: [] food safety, [X] animal health, [] plant protection, [] protect humans from animal/plant pest or disease, [] protect territory from other damage from pests.
- 8. Is there a relevant international standard? If so, identify the standard:
 - [] Codex Alimentarius Commission (*e.g. title or serial number of Codex standard or related text*):
 - [X] World Organization for Animal Health (OIE) (e.g. Terrestrial or Aquatic Animal Health Code, chapter number): Chapters 4.3 and 15.1

- [] International Plant Protection Convention (e.g. ISPM number):
- [] None

Does this proposed regulation conform to the relevant international standard?

[X] Yes [] No

If no, describe, whenever possible, how and why it deviates from the international standard:

- 9. Other relevant documents and language(s) in which these are available:
- **10. Proposed date of adoption (***dd/mm/yy***):** Not applicable

Proposed date of publication (dd/mm/yy): Not applicable

- **11.** Proposed date of entry into force: [] Six months from date of publication, and/or (*dd/mm/yy*): 5 December 2017
 - [X] Trade facilitating measure
- 12. Final date for comments: [] Sixty days from the date of circulation of the notification and/or (*dd/mm/yy*): Not applicable

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