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## IGAD BRIEF UPDATE REPORT TO THE SPS COMMITTEE

COMMUNICATION FROM THE INTERGOVERNMENTAL AUTHORITY ON DEVELOPMENT (IGAD)

The following communication, received on 9 February 2018, 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 seven member States in East Africa (Djibouti, Ethiopia, Kenya, Somalia, Sudan, South Sudan and Uganda).
2. Some of the technical support provided for the above member States (MS) 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 MS include:

- A joint animal health regulatory bodies meeting of some IGAD exporting and Middle East and North Africa importing countries to help enhance trust and transparency among the two regions;
- Three regional policy briefs to strengthen animal health services, enhance private sector role in animal health service delivery and SPS compliance in the IGAD member States published and disseminated for policy makers and other stakeholders;
- The $5^{\text {th }}$ PPR regional control and eradication committee meeting, which reviewed progress, shared lessons and discussed on the resource mobilization for implementation of the PPR strategies at different levels;
- A cross-border stakeholders meeting for bordering MS in Karamoja cluster for operationalization of the MOU in undertaking joint surveillance and vaccination.

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