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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 26 June 2019, is being circulated at the request of the Intergovernmental Authority on Development (IGAD).

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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 (TAD) control and livestock trade in the region, complementing the national development efforts of member States, includes:

- Facilitated the 7<sup>th</sup> regional Peste des Petits Ruminants (PPR) control and eradication coordination committee from 24-25 June 2019 with participation of 11 member States of IGAD and EAC. The countries reviewed the progress made on the implementation of the national PPR strategies to control and eradicate by 2030. The countries also shared good practices and lessons to enhance complementarities and synergy;
- Organized the 9<sup>th</sup> regional animal health networks (RAHN) that embraced sub-networks of chief veterinary officers (CVO); laboratory, quarantines and epidemiology. The RAHN also has working groups on African swine fever (ASF), foot and mouth disease (FMD), and PPR, among others. The annual meeting that covers Eastern African countries shared good practices and lessons on surveillance and vaccination and timely reporting of TADs, emerging issues and new projects in animal health

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

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