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Horses: Shuttle Stallions Vaccinations for Equine Viral Arteritis (EVA) and Equine Influenza (EI)

CTO direction to biosecurity inspectors for the clearance of the shuttle stallions “POWER”, “RELIABLE MAN”, “SHOWCASING”, “MAKFI”, “CHARM SPIRIT”, IFFRAAJ”, and “POUR MOI”.

Pursuant to section 27(1)(d)(iii) of the Biosecurity Act 1993 I, Lucy Johnston, Manager Animal Imports, Ministry for Primary Industries (under delegated authority), give the following directions for the abovementioned stallions to be given clearance in accordance with the following measures, different from those in the applicable import health standard *Import Health Standard for Horses from the European Union HORANIIC.EU*:

Clause 7.2.ii: The horses were vaccinated against EVA under official veterinary control and have been re-vaccinated at regular intervals (at least annually).

Vaccination for EVA with the vaccine available in the United Kingdom should be every six months according to the manufacturer's recommendations. The stallions “IFFRAAJ” and “SHOWCASING” have repeatedly been vaccinated at 5- and 7-month intervals. The stallion “MAKFI” experienced a lapse in booster vaccinations in 2011 and subsequently received another primary course. Furthermore, the stallions “POUR MOI” and “POWER” had 8 months between vaccinations between 2013 and 2014. The stallions “IFFRAAJ”, “SHOWCASING”, “MAKFI”, “POWER”, “RELIABLE MAN”, “CHARM SPIRIT”, and “POUR MOI” had their booster vaccinations in 2016 6-30 days after the recommended 6-month interval. It has been determined that these vaccination schedules do not compromise the stallions' immunity against EVA.

Clause 5.1: Between 42 and 120 days prior to export the horses (except for foals less than 2 months old and accompanied by their vaccinated dam) were vaccinated against equine influenza using an approved inactivated vaccine either twice not less than 21 days apart, or once as a booster to a previous primary course of vaccination.

Vaccination for EI should be boosted at least annually. In the case of the stallion “MAKFI”, the vaccinations were done 366 days apart between 2009 and 2010. It has been determined that this lapse does not compromise the stallion's immunity against EI.

The reason for directing clearance is that the biosecurity risks associated with this CTO direction have been assessed and are managed effectively.

This direction takes effect from the date of signing and is valid for the entry of these shuttle stallions on permit number 2016060691.