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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 “IFFRAAJ”, “RIP VAN WINKLE”, “SHOWCASING”, “MAKFI”, “POWER”, “RELIABLE MAN” and “CHARM SPIRIT”.

Pursuant to section 27(1)(d)(iii) of the Biosecurity Act 1993 I, Marnie Thomas, 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 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 vaccines available in the United Kingdom should be either annually or every six months, according to the manufacturer's recommendations. The stallions “IFFRAAJ” and “SHOWCASING” have repeatedly been vaccinated and 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 “RIP VAN WINKLE” and “POWER” had 8 months between vaccinations between 2013 and 2014. The stallions “IFFRAAJ”, “MAKFI” and “POWER” had their booster vaccinations in 2015 3-7 days after the recommended 6-month interval. It has been determined that these vaccination schedules do not compromise the stallions' immunity against EVA.

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 2015057290 only.