SCHEDULE Article 2

## FUNCTIONS OF THE SCOTTISH MINISTERS

- 1. The functions of securing the welfare of animals and protecting them from unnecessary suffering, including at the time of killing, through the carrying out of official controls and the imposition of prohibitions, restrictions or requirements (including the granting of licences) in relation to—
  - (a) premises where animals are kept or used;
  - (b) vehicles used for the transportation of animals;
  - (c) persons carrying out activities involving animals.
- **2.** The functions of preventing, controlling and eradicating animal and zoonotic diseases and protecting public health through—
  - (a) carrying out official controls in relation to premises, vehicles, animals, animal feed, animal by-products and products of animal origin;
  - (b) approving, authorising, registering or designating persons, premises or disinfectants;
  - (c) imposing prohibitions, restrictions or requirements (including the granting of licences) in relation to premises, vehicles, persons, animals, animal feed, animal by-products, products of animal origin or other things liable to spread disease;
  - (d) making arrangements for-
    - (i) the slaughter of animals;
    - (ii) the destruction or disposal of animal carcases, products of animal origin or other things liable to spread disease,
    - including the valuation, transportation and removal of, and the payment of compensation in relation to, such animals, carcases, products or things;
  - (e) imposing prohibitions, restrictions or requirements (including the granting of licences) in relation to the import or export of live animals, genetic material and products of animal origin;
  - (f) authorising the collection, transfer or storage of animal semen, ova or embryos;
  - (g) making arrangements, including entering into contractual arrangements, to secure the provision of—
    - (i) veterinary medicinal products;
    - (ii) diagnostic agents and equipment for testing animals or products of animal origin;
    - (iii) vaccines, sera or other preparations for vaccinating or immunising animals against disease;
    - (iv) veterinary services.
- **3.** The functions of taking action to deal with any failure to comply with any of the matters mentioned in paragraph 1 or paragraph 2 (apart from paragraph (g)).
- **4.** The functions of collecting and recovering fees or expenses for any activities carried out in relation to any of the matters mentioned in paragraphs 1 to 3.
- **5.** The functions of carrying out official controls in relation to animals, premises and vehicles, for the purpose of ensuring compliance with the rules established under EU instruments in relation to animal health and welfare, which must be complied with by persons receiving payments under the common agricultural policy of the European Union as regulated under Title III of the Treaty on the Functioning of the European Union.

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