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PART 2

Powers to amend lists of approved third countries for trade in animals and products

CHAPTER 2

Function of approval of third countries to be included in approved lists relating to bovine embryos

**Power to amend the third country lists in Commission [Decision 2006/168/EC](#)**

4.—(1) The Secretary of State, with the consent of the appropriate authority, may by regulations amend Commission [Decision 2006/168/EC](#) establishing the animal health and veterinary certification requirements for imports of bovine embryos<sup>(1)</sup>, to add a third country to the list in Annex 1 (“the list”), or remove or amend an entry in the list in respect of a third country, where the amendment is necessary or appropriate in the light of an assessment of the risk to animal health in the United Kingdom, taking into account—

- (a) the state of health of the livestock, other domestic animals and wildlife and the environmental situation in the third country, with particular reference to exotic, notifiable or reportable animal diseases which might endanger the health and environmental situation of the United Kingdom;
- (b) the regularity and rapidity of the provision of information by the third country concerning the existence of contagious animal diseases in its territory, in particular those diseases listed by the OIE;
- (c) the third country’s rules on animal disease prevention and control;
- (d) the structures, skills, independence and qualifications of the competent authority’s veterinary and inspection services in the third country;
- (e) the organization and implementation of measures to prevent and control contagious animal diseases;
- (f) the assurances which the third country can give with regard to compliance with the applicable animal health requirements in the United Kingdom relating to the collection, production, storage and transport of bovine embryos that are approved for export.

(2) Any assessment which is relied on for the purpose of paragraph (1) must be appropriate to the circumstances and must have been approved by the Secretary of State and the appropriate authority.

(3) In the case of a third country which is not listed in the list or which is listed in the list only as regards part of its territory, the assessment must demonstrate that the relevant competent authority

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(1) Commission [Decision 2006/168/EC](#) is amended by [S.I. 2019/795](#).

of the third country is able to provide appropriate assurances regarding compliance with relevant animal health requirements in the United Kingdom.