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The Trade in Animals and Animal Products (Legislative Functions) and Veterinary Surgeons (Amendment) (EU Exit) Regulations 2019

PART 2

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

CHAPTER 8

Function of approval of third countries to be included in approved lists with regard to the importation of semen, ova and embryos of the ovine and caprine species

Power to amend the third country lists in Commission Decision 2010/472/EU

- 10.—(1) The Secretary of State, with the consent of the appropriate authority, may by regulations amend Commission Decision 2010/472/EU on imports of semen, ova and embryos of animals of the ovine and caprine species into the Union(1), to add a third country to the list in Annex 1 (semen) or Annex 3 (ova and embryos) ("the relevant list"), or remove or amend an entry in the relevant list in respect of a third country, where the amendment is necessary or appropriate in the light of an assessment of the risks to animal and human health in the United Kingdom, taking into account the following matters—
 - (a) whether there are any diseases referred to in Annex A of Council Directive 92/65/EEC, or of other exotic animal diseases present in the third country, which might endanger animal health in the United Kingdom;
 - (b) whether the third country is capable of guaranteeing the implementation of its legislation, and whether the organization of its veterinary and inspection services enables the country effectively to undertake or supervise such services;
 - (c) whether the veterinary services of the third country are able to provide assurance that health requirements at least equivalent to those laid down in Chapter 2 of Council Directive 92/65/EC are being complied with;
 - (d) any on-the-spot inspections by experts from the United Kingdom undertaken to verify whether the assurances given by the third country regarding the conditions of production and placing on the market can be considered equivalent to those applied in the United Kingdom.
- (2) Any assessment which is relied on for the purposes 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 relevant list, or which is listed therein only as regards part of its territory, the assessment must demonstrate that the relevant competent

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