DECLARATION OF SPECIAL MEASURES: BELARUS, POLAND, ROMANIA, UKRAINE THE TRADE IN ANIMALS AND RELATED PRODUCTS (WALES) REGULATIONS 2011 (SI 2011/ 2379) (W. 252)

The Welsh Ministers:

- a. have reasonable grounds for suspecting the existence of rabies in Belarus, Poland, Romania and Ukraine, such that certain animals originating in or dispatched from those countries are liable to pose risk to human or animal health; and
- b. are of the opinion there is serious non-compliance with official control rules under the Official Controls Regulation¹ in relation to imports originating in or dispatched from those countries.

In exercise of the powers conferred by regulation 29(1) of the Trade in Animals and Related Products (Wales) Regulations 2011², the Welsh Ministers declare the following special measures to be necessary in Wales in order to contain the risk to human or animal health and the risk of non-compliant animals entering Great Britain:

Amendment of the existing declaration

- 1. The Declaration Special Measures: Belarus, Poland, Romania, Ukraine made by the Welsh Ministers on 31 October 2022 ("the Declaration") is amended in accordance with paragraph 2.
- 2. In paragraph 3(d) of the Declaration, after "official attestation by the competent authority of the third country" insert "issued in the six months preceding the date of the application,".

Coming into force of the Declaration

3. This Declaration comes into force on the day following the day on which the Declaration is made.

¹ EUR 2017/625

² . S.I. 2011/2379 (W.252). Regulation 29 was substituted by S.I. 2020/44 (W. 5) and amended by S.I. 2020/1612 (W. 337).

Time/Date made: 11:43, 15 November 2022

Signed

GAVIN WATKINS, Interim Chief Veterinary Officer for Wales

Importing in breach of this Declaration is an offence under regulation 39 of the Trade in Animals and Related Products (Wales) Regulations 2011.