Scottish Government

DECLARATION OF SPECIAL MEASURES: BULGARIA THE TRADE IN ANIMALS AND RELATED PRODUCTS (SCOTLAND) REGULATIONS 2012

The Scottish Ministers have reasonable grounds for suspecting the existence of sheep pox and goat pox in Bulgaria, such that animals or products originating from Bulgaria are liable to pose risk to human or animal health.

Under regulation 25(1) of the Trade in Animals and Related Products (Scotland) Regulations 2012(1), Scottish Ministers declare the following necessary special measures in order to contain the risk to human or animal health:

Suspension of entry into Scotland of products

1. Entry into Scotland of untreated hides and skins of ovine or caprine animals originating in or dispatched from Bulgaria is suspended.

Interpretation

2. In paragraph 1 of this Declaration, "untreated hides and skins" has the same meaning as in paragraph 29 of Annex I to Commission Regulations (EU) No. $142/2011(^2)$.

Duration of special measures

3. The special measures in the Declaration apply from the beginning of the day after the day on which this Declaration is made until this Declaration is revoked or amended by further declaration.

Date made: 28th September 2023

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Import of a product in breach of this declaration is an offence under regulation 33 of the Trade in Animals and Related Products (Scotland) Regulations 2012.

⁽¹) <u>S.S.I. 2012/177</u>. Regulations 25 was substituted by S.S.I. 2019/412 and amended by S.S.I. 2020/458.

⁽²⁾ EUR 2011/142.