DECLARATION OF SPECIAL MEASURES: BULGARIA THE TRADE IN ANIMALS AND RELATED PRODUCTS (WALES) REGULATIONS 2011 (SI 2011/2379 (W. 252))

The Welsh Ministers have reasonable grounds for suspecting the existence of Peste des Petits Ruminants disease in Bulgaria, such that certain products originating from Bulgaria are liable to pose risk to animal health.

Under regulation 29(1) of the Trade in Animals and Related Products (Wales) Regulations 2011¹, the Welsh Ministers declare the following special measures to be necessary in Wales in order to contain the risk to animal health:

Suspension of entry into Wales

- 1. Entry into Wales is suspended for the following products originating from Bulgaria:
 - a) untreated hides and skins of ovine and caprine animals;
 - b) untreated wool of ovine and caprine animals;
 - c) untreated hair of ovine and caprine animals.
- 2. In paragraph 1 of this Declaration, "untreated hides and skins", "untreated wool" and "untreated hair" have the same meaning as in Annex 1 to Regulation 142/2011².

Coming into force and duration of the special measures

3. The special measures in this 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 a further declaration.

Date made: 17 December 2024

Signed: Carm Valhon

Dr. Gavin Watkins, Deputy Chief Veterinary Officer for Wales

A person duly authorised by the Welsh Ministers

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

¹ 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).

² EUR 142/2011 as assimilated in UK law.