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Director

Brussels,
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Dear Dr Nepoklonov,

Subject: Conditions on the movement of pet animals

I refer to your two letters dated 22 July 2016 (your ref. FS-NV-7/13715 and FS-NV-7/13718) in relation to the above subject.

In relation to your request for clarifications in letter FS-NV-7/13715, as explained in our letter of 20 April 2016 (ref. Ares(2016)1874762), Commission Implementing Regulation (EU) No 2016/561 amended Annex IV to Implementing Regulation (EU) No 577/2013 as regards the model of animal health certificate for the non-commercial movement of dogs, cats or ferrets, accompanying their owner, from territories or third countries into one of the 28 Member States of the European Union.

The main purpose of the amendment of the certificate was to introduce a specific guidance note in order to remind certifying officials that the satisfactory results to the rabies antibody titration test performed in an approved rabies serology laboratory on blood samples taken from animals coming from territories and third countries not listed in Annex II to Implementing Regulation (EU) No 577/2013 should not be certified unless the authenticity of the laboratory report has been verified, where necessary by contact with the laboratory indicated in the report.

However, since the Russian Federation is listed in Annex II to Implementing Regulation (EU) No 577/2013, the rabies antibody titration test is not required for dogs, cats and ferrets prior to entering the Union from the Russian Federation and therefore this aforementioned recommendation to check the authenticity of laboratory reports does not apply to your country.

With regard to your request in your letter FS-NV-7/13718 to receive models of the certificate for the non-commercial movement of dogs, cats and ferrets into the EU in the

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different official languages of the EU I would ask you to refer to the web links listed in the Annex to the present letter. Please note that due to minor mistakes, those models have been corrected on 10 August 2016 and the corrigendum is available at

http://eur-lex.europa.eu/legal-content/EN/TXT/?uri=uriserv:OJ.L_.2016.215.01.0037.01.ENG&toc=OJ:L:2016:215:TOC.

Please do not hesitate to contact my colleague H el ene Klein (helene.klein@ec.europa.eu) should you need further information or clarification.

Yours sincerely,


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Enclosure: List of web links to the language versions of the model certificates for the non-commercial commercial movement into a Member State from a territory or third country of dogs, cats or ferrets in accordance with Article 5(1) and (2) of Regulation (EU) No 576/2013