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ACTION PLAN FOR IMPORT, EXPORT AND TRANSIT OF ANIMAL PRODUCTS

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Abstract

The impact of risk factors on quality and nutritional value of organic food of animal origin and their effect on the health of the population, a major concern contituie permanent bodies set up to ensure quality and food safety.

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INTRODUCTION

Trade in food products of animal origin must be taken the most effective measures to counter possible negative effects and prevention of conflict of interest derived from food and nutrition policies promoted worldwide.

RESULTS AND DISCUSSION

In order to implement and achieve the requirements at Community level with regard to import and export of foods of animal origin was elaborated an action plan in 2009-2010, including the following three objectives:

With regard to inspection Direction:

A. Monitoring the acts listed in the national framework plan for year 2009

Inspection and monitoring and verification of the actions set out in PNCIC (National Program of Inspection and Control Framework) for: keeping the country indemnității major infectious and contagious diseases, food poisoning prevention, achieving food security, to obtain information required to draw up annual reports to the EC, in accordance with art. 44 of Reg. no. 882/2004. Measures that have been taken are as follows: No service by note. 37 035 / 08.01.2009 was sent to all inspection and control services of the National Program of Inspection and Control Framework prepared in accordance with the requirements of EC Regulation no. 882/2004, is structured in three sections.

The first section contains the following chapters:

- purpose and pursued obievtivele

- control methods and techniques used

- control procedures used during official controls

- the frequency of checks for all classes of targets subject to veterinary control and food safety - stages of official control - reporting results of tests conducted at the Department of Inspection Section-II is represented by programming digital controls have been carried out by the inspection and control services for year 2009.

Section III contains the figures of official controls and reporting their results, ie deficiencies and penalties. From 6 to 10 of each calendar month were consolidated reports from the local level and then a final report (monthly) was referred to ANSVSA management

B.. Making background checks to verify compliance veterinary and food safety

These objectives include establishment of procedures for checking the activities of services, departments and structures within the territorial DSVSA. To achieve the objectives it was established a working group of the Inspection Department to develop these procedures after the presentation by each Head of Service of the proposals for each area of competence.

C. FVO's missions that took place in Romania in March 2009 - March 2010

They included:

- the recommendations submitted by experts from the FVO's mission (DG SANCO), their performance was verified during missions that took place in Romania in 2009:

a) from 30.03-09.04. 2009, the mission of classical swine fever

b) during 20.04-24.04 2009, the mission of bovine spongiform encephalopathy

c) from 04.05-15.05. 2009, the mission of evaluation of measures taken to ensure the safety of animal products, especially for meat, milk and products thereof

d) from 15.06-19.06. 2009, general assessment mission to draft country Profile.

Consideration of reports submitted by experts and filing FVO, regarding the recommendations made, that they had taken measures, drawing up action plans for each mission, based on weekly program

approved by ANSVSA President, legal framework aimed improvement and execution. Regarding the direction of import, export, transit and border inspection, we have the following objectives:

- as a result of changes on the management, organization and functioning of advising was necessary in order to amend Annex ANSVSA President, Minister of Environment and Water, the Minister of Administration and Interior, the Minister of Transport, Tourism, Agriculture, Forestry and rural development. No 30/337/366/1.511/577/2004 for approval at the border inspection stations established for the importation, exportation and transit of goods subject to veterinary controls and food safety.

The draft order for approval of veterinary sanitary customs warehouses, warehouses in free zones and deposits operators serving the maritime transport of animal products are stored in conformity. In promoting the draft normative act to be considered the recommendations of the mission reports DG (SANCO) FVO reference numbers 7301/2007 and 7748/2008 which took place in our country regarding the adoption of measures for the supervision of transport compliant products in transit, customs warehouses and stores supplying ships and aircraft operators. Consequently we were asked to develop draft legislation that sets national rules on the authorization of the above deposits. According to Commission Directive 98/68/EC established a model document to be given the nature and results of checks by the competent authority at the border inspection post of entry into the European Union on shipments from third countries, the document must accompany the consignment until its release for free circulation in the European Union.

- following completion of construction in 2006 of eight border inspection posts between 3 to 18 November 2008 were made final acceptance of work on border inspection posts at Moravia, Halmeu, Siren, Sculeni Albita , Otopeni. To achieve these goals have been considered the recommendations of the mission reports DG (SANCO) FVO reference numbers 8065/2006, 7301/2007 and 7748/2008 which were held in Romania in order to assess the control of imports and transit.

In order to properly training the staff whose work falls animal control products from import and export, the European Commission held meetings with veterinary experts of the Member States to develop veterinary legislation on border control. Action Plan for years 2010-2011 includes the following objectives:

- providing the legal framework for the specific activity of DGSA, initiation, completion and amendment of legislation specific activity

- order to approve the development and adoption of Surveillance and Control Programme on food safety for 2011, Providing national framework for enforcement adopted at Community level, the elaboration of a draft Order for the enforcement of Regulation (EC) Nr. 1152/2009 of 27 November 2009 imposing special conditions governing certain foodstuffs imported from certain third countries due to contamination risks of these products by aflatoxins and repealing Decision 2006/504/EC

- sample preparation procedure for testing melamine (February 2010)

- sample preparation procedure for testing the degree of radioactive contamination of foodstuffs (June 2010)

- developing the sampling procedure for testing the treatment of food with ionizing radiation (July 2010)

- developing the sampling procedure for testing additives/substances banned in food products (September 2010) - modification of the border control for certain food products imported under special conditions due to aflatoxin contamination risks (March 2010)

- coordination of the surveillance and control (PSC) on food safety and monitoring the implementation of the SGP Food safety for 2010 (February 2010)

- improvement of Romania's contribution to the Codex Alimentarius activities, comprising the release of documents on electronic media received by the Secretariat of the Codex Alimentarius and other information related to Codex work by all involved in food establishments (other authorities concerned, producers, processors, traders, meetings with all stakeholders to determine the position of Romania to draft standards in specific fields, active participation in subcommittees Codex Alimentarius Commission Codex Alimentarius and other events at CODEX/FAO, organizing meetings with all stakeholders to Romania's position towards the establishment of draft standards on specific areas.

In the period 2005-2010 were carried out a series of legislative changes with regard to pre-accession period and beyond after Romania joined the European Union, which had a beneficial effect on food safety, animal covering both imported and the national market of products for domestic consumption and export.

Thus, in elaborating specific norms of hygiene and public health were developed eight veterinary rules published in the Official Gazette as Orders of the President of the National Sanitary Veterinary and Food Safety Authority to determine the health conditions:

- certification in Romania imports from third countries of fresh meat derived from cattle, sheep, goats and pigs - the establishment of health conditions for the import, export and transit of live animals, animal products and byproducts - laboratory expertise to detect contaminants in animal products import, export and transit of animal products - professional training for veterinarians who provide supervision and control of food establishments - establishment of procedures for sampling of products of animal origin intended for laboratory expertise

In the period 2008-2010 was carried out and veterinary expertise on animal products, animal products is controlled in the following amounts:

- beef cattle - 58,535 tons

- pork - 239,701 tonnes

- the mutton- goats - 1579 tons

- horse meat - 435 tons - poultry - 279,330 tonnes

- rabbit meat - a ton - venison - 1060 tons

- meat products - 330,468 tons

- food additives and spices - 114,000 tons

- canned meat SEMI - 1585 tons

- fish and fishery products - 81,552 tonnes

- milk - 5,058,906 hl

- milk products - 260,364 tons

The Institute for Hygiene and Veterinary Public Health were analyzed: 71 437 food samples of animal origin, 28,084 from domestic production for export 3148 products, imported 31,232, of all the samples were inadequate number of 287. They were confiscated animal products unfit for human consumption, the total quantity of 1944 tonnes on disposing of these products are measures under national law in force Veterinary Services. During 2008, Department of Veterinary Public Health has initiated a series of Veterinary Services, becoming mandatory legislation whose provisions were applied throughout the country.

The staff of the Department has made technical expertise for 21 projects initiated by the specialized departments order the ANSVSA and developed four different application procedures for the European Commission regulations or national regulations.

Following the specifications of the European Commission ordered the action direction in accordance with legal provisions concerning the identification and verification units to monitor the problems they face, conformity assessment units monitored in relation to veterinary legislation requirements for each sector, the prosecution correct deficiencies in facilities which do not comply with the requirements of legislation, updating progress on the restructuring and modernization of animal husbandry and food industry profile to achieve the performance parameters of agriculture and food, the demands and requirements of the European Union.

The total number of units that meet European Union rules, compared with January 2007, is red meat for the 37 units, 21 units of poultry meat, milk and milk products from 67 units, fish and fishery products from 10 units.

Have also been checked by specialists within IISPV (Institute for Hygiene and Veterinary Public Health) veterinary sanitation units operating in the food industry in the U.S., Canada and Brazil have expressed their intention to export meat and meat products meat in Romania. Regarding the number of food industry units that have requested and obtained from the veterinary opinion DSVSA county to external financing through the SAPARD program, in 2008, compared with December of 2007 the number of units increased from 176 to 454.

During 2008, official veterinarians in the districts responsible for food safety and animal health and veterinary officials of the units to control of the food industry and veterinary expertise on animal.

They found deficiencies that constitute sources of risk to public health have been confiscated animal products unfit for human consumption in the total quantity of 2690 tons. In accordance with EU legislation, in 2008, models were established veterinary health certificate must accompany beef, pork, poultry and meat products. Have been developed new models of health certificates for imports from third countries to fish, honey, live bivalve molluscs, collagen, gelatin, snails SHELLED, in accordance with Council Regulation no. 1664/2006.

In order to detect diseases transmissible from animals to humans through consumption of food, have been a number of 2,782,981 examinations including: poor evidence for trichinosis - 719, cysticercosis - 1225, echinococcosis - 86.643, salmonellosis - 238 TB - 103, Listeriosis -1, parasites of fishes - 12, botulism- 1.

CONCLUSIONS

Notices of rejection at the transport of food of animal origin have been tested, tested and rejected at the border points of Romania as a EU Member State, where they found a health risk to consumers. If notifications are reported monthly consumer health risk, found in one or more batches of food. In these cases, control authorities conduct surveys and submit additional information by notifying between them, in accordance with operating procedures and organization, the outcome and final part of the measures taken.

In order to claim compliance with EU legislation on trade in animal products, there were a series of audits that had as main objective verification of compliance with legislation, best practices and not least the vetting of personnel involved in this activity.