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EQUINE INFECTIOUS ANEMIA

Belgium

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Overview of the situation

- 19 January 2010 : message from UK about 2 EIA positive horses introduced on 22 December 2010 from BE and originating from RO
- 20 January 2010 : investigation in BE in order to
 - identify the location of the remaining horses from the consignment
 - identify the in-contact animals
 - take the appropriate actions



Overview of the situation

- Epidemiological investigation
 - 18 horses (2 consignments) introduced from RO (SC COVEXIM 2000, MG ASCENDENT, DUMIMPEX SRL , Mândruloc) on 21 October 2009 in a dealer's premises in Drongen
 - horses kept in a meadow next to the premises
 - other equidae present on the premises :13 horses and 3 donkeys
 - no movements of other equidae
 - no equidae in the surroundings
 - 9 RO horses and 1 belgian horse sent to UK on 22 December 2009



Overview of the situation

- Epidemiological investigation
 - half November, 9 RO horses sent to Assebroek
 - horses kept in a meadow at 6 km from the premises
 - 38 horses in the premises (located in Oostkamp) (no direct contact with RO horses)
 - 2 horses in the surroundings (different owners)
 - half December, 2 RO horses sent from Assebroek to Zwevegem
 - no contact with other equidae on the premises or in the surroundings
 - sent back to Assebroek on 25 January 2010
 - 7 December 2009, 1 RO horse sold to a premises in Meetkerke
 - 1 other horse on the premises
 - no equidae in the surroundings





Overview of the situation

- Actions

- Movement restrictions

- on premises of Drongen, Oostkamp, Meetkerke and Assebroek (meadows) (+ 2 horses in the surroundings)
 - no movements of equidae on and off the premises

- Isolation of horses

- in Drongen, Oostkamp and Meetkerke (on premises)
 - 8 horses in Assebroek still in the meadow for some days till a premises could be found
 - 2 horses in Assebroek (surroundings) still in the meadows till owners are identified



Overview of the situation

- Actions

- Sampling of RO horses and primary contact horses (Coggins test)

- 29 January 2010 : 1 RO horse positive in Assebroek
 - 01 February 2010 : all contact horses negative in Drongen
 - results for the others contact horses waited for 04 February 2010

- Positive horse

- to be slaughtered this week

- Follow-up of the remaining horses

- Coggins test every month
 - movement restriction and isolation till 2 negative Coggins tests 3 months apart after the last contagious contact
 - all positive equidae to be slaughtered



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