



**SUMMARY RECORD OF THE
STANDING COMMITTEE ON THE FOOD CHAIN AND ANIMAL HEALTH
HELD IN BRUSSELS ON 11 & 12 OCTOBER 2010
(Section Controls and Import Conditions)**

Presidents: Alberto Laddomada, Francisco Reviriego.
All the Member States were present.

1. State of play of the discussion with Russia on certifications for export.

Withdrawn from the agenda.

2. Exchange of views and possible opinion of the Committee on a draft Commission Decision amending Annex I to Decision 2006/766/EC as regards the title and the entry for Chile in the list of third countries and territories from which imports are permitted of live, frozen or processed bivalve molluscs, echinoderms, tunicates and marine gastropods for human consumption. (Right of scrutiny of the European Parliament) (Legal base: Article 11 (1) of Regulation (EC) No 854/2004) (Doc. SANCO/7169/2010)

The Commission representative informed that under Decision 2006/766/EC only imports of frozen or processed bivalve molluscs, echinoderms, tunicates and marine gastropods are authorised from Chile. Chile has interest in exporting fresh-refrigerated scallops. A recent mission of the Food and Veterinary Office (FVO) in Chile (on controls of the production of fishery products and live bivalve molluscs) concluded that the organisation and the control system implemented by the competent authorities offer appropriate guarantees concerning the sanitary conditions of bivalve molluscs for export to the EU, including fresh-refrigerated scallops. The Chilean competent authority submitted an action plan that addresses satisfactorily the recommendations made and given the guarantees provided the Commission prepared a proposal to authorise imports of "chilled and eviscerated *Pectinidae* wild or harvested in production areas classified as A". Annex I to Decision 2006/766/EC should therefore be amended accordingly.

Vote: unanimous in favour.

3. Exchange of views and possible opinion of the Committee on a draft Commission Regulation amending Annex I to Regulation (EC) No 669/2009 implementing Regulation (EC) No 882/2004 of the European Parliament and of the Council as regards the increased level of official controls on imports of certain feed and food of non-animal origin. (Right of scrutiny of the European Parliament) (Legal base: Regulation (EC) No 882/2004) (Doc. SANCO/12402/2010 – Rev.3)

The Commission presented the draft amendment to Annex I to Regulation (EC) No 669/2009 following the second quarterly review of the list of imports of plant origin which are subject to coordinated reinforced checks. The Commission explained that the proposed changes concerned the adjustment of the control frequency in relation to four of the commodities currently listed in Annex I and were to take effect as of 1 January 2011.

Vote: unanimous in favour.

4. Exchange of views of the Committee on a draft Commission Regulation amending Regulation (EC) No 1251/2010 as regard transitional provisions for certain ornamental aquatic animals intended for closed ornamental facilities. (Doc. SANCO/7102/2010)

Commission Regulation (EC) No 1251/2008 establishes transitional rules under which Member States may authorise the import of ornamental aquatic animals susceptible to the fish disease epizootic ulcerative syndrome (EUS). These transitional rules apply until 12 December 2010.

As further studies are needed to more precisely assess the risk associated with the import of ornamental aquatic animals intended solely for closed ornamental facilities, it is appropriate to extend the transitional provisions for another two years.

There were no substantial comments on the draft.

Miscellaneous

No item raised.