1. Title: Agriculture - Veterinary Issues

2. Location: Ministry of Agriculture and Regional Development (MOARD)

3. Objectives and Description

In the case of an outbreak of any infectious disease, fast and accurate action is needed at both the national and international levels in order to keep economic loss at a low level, and ensure the quick eradication of communicable animal illnesses. The main task of the Public Veterinary Service is to ensure proper conditions for the free movement of live animals and products of animal origin.

This project contributes to the realisation of three key developments ensuring the efficient functioning of the system and the reliable implementation of the relevant Acquis, with special regard to the accurate detection of infections and strict border controls. Proposed measures include support for:

- the establishment of Border Inspection Posts (BIPs) at future EU borders
- the further development of the Veterinary Information System including its connection to the ANIMO and SHIFT systems
- the upgrading of diagnostic laboratories for accurate diagnosis.

Investment measures are supported by training and the adaptation of new methodologies.

The objectives of the programme are in full accordance with the AP 4.1 and 4.2 about veterinary border control and priorities of NPAA s.t.p.5.2.1 and m.t.p.5.2.1. about reinforcement of phytosanitary and veterinary bodies mainly at external borders.

4. Institutional framework

The content of this project reflects the division of responsibilities within the Hungarian administration. It is in conformity with the institution building plans of the relevant authorities. The implementation of the project requires close co-operation between the ministries of Agriculture, Finance and Interior. This shall be ensured by the Department of European Integration at the Ministry of Agriculture, which is co-ordinating all programme components.

Under the co-ordination of the Department of European Integration, the Veterinary Service shall be directly responsible for the planning and establishment of EU Veterinary BIPs at the future EU borders, as well as connected staff training (financed from national resources). The Department of Animal Health and Food Control of the Ministry of Agriculture shall be in charge of Phare-funded staff training for the Public Veterinary Service regarding the use of information hardware and software, as well as methodology training for Veterinary Laboratories.

5. Budget

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6. Implementation arrangements
The implementing Agency for this project is the Central Finance and Contract Unit (CFCU) within the Hungarian State Treasury. The different functions of contracting, tendering, administration, accounting and payment are carried out by the CFCU as defined in the Memorandum of Understanding on the establishment of the CFCU. Professional aspects of the programme, including project definition and specification shall be within the competence of the Ministry of Agriculture (Department for European Integration, in co-operation with the Department of Animal Health and Food Control).

7. Implementation Schedule

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8. Equal opportunity

The Veterinary Service is an equal opportunity employer. All conditions for an equal participation men and women in any education and training programme is fully ensured.

9. Environment : There are no negative effects on the natural environment.

10. Rates of Return : Not applicable.

11. Investment criteria

Phare’s intervention is catalytic in nature. It supports the realisation of a key accession priority, which otherwise could only have taken place at a later date. Substantial co-financing by the National Budget is envisaged. The budget shall furthermore ensure the continued functioning of all elements of the veterinary system after the completion of this project. All components comply with EU norms and policies.

Veterinary administration - like in other countries - is a governmental task, Phare support shall therefore not displace private sector or IFI financing. Phare-relevant tendering and competition requirements shall be respected.

A pre-feasibility study for Veterinary BIPs is under elaboration, the development of the Veterinary Information System and the National Laboratory Network is an on-going activity. Projects will be ready for implementation within the prescribed timeframe, as required by new Phare guidelines.

12. Conditionality and sequencing:

To build future EU Veterinary BIPs on the Hungarian borders needs inter-ministerial co-operation by MoA, MoF, MoI. The project has a planning and a building sequence.
Annexes to Project Fiche

1. Logframe
   Attached

2. Detailed cost breakdown
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3. Detailed implementation chart
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4. Contracting and disbursement schedule
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5. Relation of projects with previous Phare activities and with ongoing projects financed from other sources:
   | Previous Phare Project: | HU93-04-05 | ECU 3,000,000 |
   | Ongoing Phare Project:  | HU95-05-06 | ECU 2,000,000 |
   | National Budget:        | From 1992 annually | HUF 200,000,000 |

6. Feasibility/pre-feasibility studies:
   A pre-feasibility study is under preparation in the frame of HU95-05-06 Phare project and will be available in June.

7. List of relevant Laws and regulations:
   The list of relevant laws and regulations is available in the Strategic Plan for the Hungarian Public Veterinary Service.

8. Relevant Government Strategic Plans and studies:
   A strategic Plan for the Hungarian Public Veterinary Service has been accepted by a professional International Advisory Board (France, UK, Belgium, Holland, Sweden) and it has been submitted to the Hungarian Government for approval.
Annex 5

HU 98.06.01.

Relation to Previous Phare Activities

Subproject a. Establishment of EU Veterinary BIPs at the future EU borders.

The subproject has no direct relation with previous Phare activity. At the same time the project is indirectly related to the reconstruction of Border Stations on the Hungarian borders to Slovakia, Croatia, Yugoslavia, Romania and Ukraine (managed by the Hungarian Customs and Finance Guard) since all these Border Posts are equipped with an Office, Laboratory and Animal Examination Unit for the Veterinary Service.

Phare funds have been used to build a veterinary BIP on the Hungarian Austrian border at Rabafüzes. Four veterinary office buildings responsible for the control of Hungarian exports have been erected on the Hungarian-Slovakian border and at Ferihegy Airport in Budapest in the framework of Phare programme HU9304-05, managed by the PMU in the MoA.

Subproject b. Further development of the Veterinary Information System.

In the framework of programme HU9304-05 (Animal Health and Quality project (3,4 MECU)) hardware has been supplied for the Public Veterinary Service for the development of its Information System linked with the Cattle Registration System (655,000 ECU). Hardware and software experts also paid by this programme have furthermore prepared proposals for the further development of the System in conformity with the EU’s ANIMO and SHIFT systems. As part of a TA-subproject 377,000 ECU have been spent on data collection. Project HU 9505-06 allocated a further 0.8 MECU to hardware development.

Subproject c. Upgrading of diagnostic laboratories

Laboratory equipment and devices for 1.5 MECU have been supplied for the national laboratories of the Public Veterinary Service in the framework of the HU9304-06 project. The 1997 Phare programme allocates a further 0.35 MECU for equipment for the field staff of the Public Veterinary Service

The TA subprojects of the HU9304-05 and the HU9505-06 projects assisted indirectly in upgrading the effectiveness of the diagnostic laboratories by preparing an FMD Contingency Plan, a Swine Fever Action Plan and a Salmonella Action Plan.
**LOGFRAME PLANNING MATRIX FOR PROGRAMME HU98.06.01**

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**Immediate Objectives:**
Ensure appropriate conditions for the international movement of live animals and products of animal origin in line with the implementation of the relevant Acquis.

**Indicators of Achievement:**
Growth of international trade in live animals and products of animal origin consistent with European Union trends.

**Sources of Information:**
International trade statistics.

**Assumptions and Risks:**

**Results of Programme**
Fast and accurate detection of all communicable animal illnesses.

**Indicators of Achievement:**
Detection rates equal or exceeding European Union performance rates.

**Sources of Information:**
- Technical reports of the *Department of Animal Health and Food Control of the Ministry of Agriculture*
- Technical reports of the *Veterinary Service*.

**Assumptions and Risks:**
- Economic and environmental conditions conducive for international trade in live animals and products of animal origin
- Trained professionals remain with the Hungarian veterinary service
- All required operational funds available if and when required

**Outputs of Projects:**

- **Veterinary Border Inspection Posts** at key border crossing points on the future European Union borders established and fully equipped
- National veterinary information system modernised and connected to the international ANIMO and SHIFT systems
- National diagnostic laboratories upgraded for accurate diagnosis of all relevant animal diseases.

- **All relevant training projects and expert missions carried out on time**
- **All deliverables provided and installed on time.**

**Sources of Information:**
- Project implementation reports of the *Department of European Integration of the Ministry of Agriculture*
- Reports of the Veterinary Service on the establishment of veterinary Border Inspection Posts
- Reports of the Department of Animal Health and Food Control of the Ministry of Agriculture on Phare-funded training in data processing and veterinary methods.

**Assumptions and Risks:**
- High-quality training needs analysis ready
- High-quality systems specifications for veterinary data processing project ready
- All required local and Phare funds available if and when required
- High-quality project management by the *Department of European Integration of the Ministry of Agriculture.*
### Annex 2

#### HU98.06.01 - Detailed cost breakdown

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Annex 4

HU98.06.01 - Cumulative contracting & disbursement schedule (MECU)

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N.B. : All contracting should normally be completed within 6-12 months of signature of the FM