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Dear Ms Domenech Amado,

The Federal Service for Veterinary and Phytosanitary Surveillance (hereinafter - Rosselkhoznadzor) presents its compliments and, in addition to its letter of 17.01.2025, No. FS-KS-7/672, informs you that the supply to or transit through the territory of the Russian Federation of genetic material obtained from animals susceptible to foot-and-mouth disease from EU member states is permitted, subject to compliance with special conditions depending on the WOAH foot-and-mouth disease status of the exporting country and applicable Rosselkhoznadzor restrictions related to other highly dangerous animal diseases.

- 1. Frozen semen of domestic ruminants and pigs from countries free from footand-mouth disease:
- after the extraction procedure, the semen has been stored for at least one month in an artificial insemination centre, provided that no cases of foot-and-mouth disease were registered in the exporting country during this period of time;
- at the time of shipping of the genetic material, the country had a valid WOAH-recognised status of freedom from foot-and-mouth disease;
- 2. Frozen semen from domestic ruminants and pigs from countries or areas affected by foot-and-mouth disease virus:
- semen (obtained from cattle, small ruminants and pigs) collected in artificial insemination centres, in accordance with the WOAH Code;
- the artificial insemination centre of the exporting country is/was not situated within the foot-and-mouth disease restriction zones;
- after the extraction procedure, the semen has been stored for at least one month in an artificial insemination centre, provided that no new cases of foot-and-mouth disease were registered in the exporting country during this period of time.

These conditions may be either written by hand or printed on the veterinary certificate, or issued as an annex to the veterinary certificate, certified by the signature and seal of the veterinarian who issued the veterinary certificate.

When importing the above mentioned products, diagnostic foot-and-mouth disease tests will be carried out in the territory of the Russian Federation on at least 30 samples from each batch of genetic material (semen) from each artificial insemination centre, regardless of the status of EU Member State.

If the above conditions are met, the exports of the mentioned products are possible from the date of issuing this letter.

Please, accept, Ms Domenech Amado, the assurances of my high consideration.

Deputy Head K.A. Savenkov