

COMMISSION IMPLEMENTING DECISION

of 4 December 2012

amending Annex I to Decision 2009/177/EC as regards surveillance programmes for Finland and the United Kingdom and the disease-free status of Finland and the United Kingdom for certain aquatic animal diseases

*(notified under document C(2012) 8758)***(Text with EEA relevance)**

(2012/753/EU)

THE EUROPEAN COMMISSION,

Having regard to the Treaty on the Functioning of the European Union,

Having regard to Council Directive 2006/88/EC of 24 October 2006 on animal health requirements for aquaculture animals and products thereof, and on the prevention and control of certain diseases in aquatic animals ⁽¹⁾, and in particular the first subparagraph of Article 44(1) and Article 49(1) thereof,

Whereas:

- (1) Commission Decision 2009/177/EC of 31 October 2008 implementing Council Directive 2006/88/EC as regards surveillance and eradication programmes and disease-free status of Member States, zones and compartments ⁽²⁾ sets out a list of Member States, zones and compartments subject to approved surveillance programmes, with regard to one or more of the non-exotic diseases listed in Part II of Annex IV to Directive 2006/88/EC ('non-exotic diseases'). That Decision also sets out a list of Member States, zones and compartments declared disease-free with regard to one or more of those diseases.
- (2) Part B of Annex I to Decision 2009/177/EC sets out the list of Member States, zones and compartments subject to approved eradication programmes and Part C of that Annex sets out the list of Member States, zones and compartments declared disease-free with regard to one or more non-exotic diseases.

- (3) Finland has submitted to the Commission documentation regarding the municipalities of Uusikaupunki, Pyhäranta and Rauma being free from viral haemorrhagic septicaemia (VHS).
- (4) The United Kingdom has submitted to the Commission documentation regarding the south west Shetland Islands being free from infectious salmon anaemia (ISA).
- (5) Parts B and C of Annex I to Decision 2009/177/EC should therefore be amended accordingly.
- (6) The measures provided for in this Decision are in accordance with the opinion of the Standing Committee on the Food Chain and Animal Health,

HAS ADOPTED THIS DECISION:

Article 1

Parts B and C of Annex I to Decision 2009/177/EC are amended in accordance with the Annex to this Decision.

Article 2

This Decision is addressed to the Member States.

Done at Brussels, 4 December 2012.

For the Commission

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Member of the Commission

⁽¹⁾ OJ L 328, 24.11.2006, p. 14.

⁽²⁾ OJ L 63, 7.3.2009, p. 15.

ANNEX

Annex I to Decision 2009/177/EC is amended as follows:

(1) Part B is replaced by the following:

PART B**Member States, zones and compartments subject to approved eradication programmes**

| Disease | Member State | ISO code | Geographical demarcation of the area under an eradication programme (Member State, zones or compartments) |
|--|--------------|----------|---|
| Viral haemorrhagic septicaemia (VHS) | Denmark | DK | The following water catchments: Tim Å, Hover Å, Heager Å, Velling Å, Skjern Å, Hemmet Mølle Bæk, Lydum Å, Kongeå, Kolding Å, Vejle Å and Holmsland Klit |
| | Finland | FI | The Province of Åland |
| Infectious haematopoietic necrosis (IHN) | | | |
| Koi herpes virus (KHV) disease | Germany | DE | <i>Land Saxony</i> |
| Infection with <i>Marteilia refringens</i> | | | |
| Infection with <i>Bonamia ostreae</i> | | | |
| White spot disease | | | |

(2) Part C is amended as follows:

(a) the entry for Finland concerning viral haemorrhagic septicaemia (VHS) is replaced by the following:

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| Finland | FI | All continental and coastal areas within its territory, except the Province of Åland |
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(b) in the row for the United Kingdom concerning infectious salmon anaemia (ISA), the words 'except south west Shetland Islands' are deleted.