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CLASSICAL SWINE FEVER IN LATVIA

Text of a fax received on 4 March 1996 from Professor J. Rimeicans, Director of the State Veterinary Department, Ministry of Agriculture, Riga:

S. R. - 1

Nature of diagnosis: clinical and laboratory.

Date of initial detection of animal health incident: 27 February 1996.

Estimated date of first infection: 12 February 1996.

Number of separate outbreaks identified so far: one (1).

Geographical identification of the outbreak: Virbi, Talsi district.

Details concerning the outbreak:

No.	Species	No. of animals in the outbreak	No. of cases	No. of deaths	No. of animals destroyed	No. of animals slaughtered
1/96	sui	10	10	1	9	0

Comments concerning affected population: fattening stock in a small private farm.

Comments to date concerning epidemiology of the disease: the pigs had been fed with wild boar waste.

Control measures taken to date: stamping-out, quarantine, vaccination in the affected district and the surrounding districts.

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RINDERPEST IN TURKEY
End of the outbreak

Text of a fax received on 5 March 1996 from Dr Mustafa Imir, Deputy General Director of Protection and Control, Ministry of Agriculture and Rural Affairs, Ankara:

S. R. - 2 No. 2

Final date of previous report period: 24 January 1996 (see *Disease Information*, 9 [3], 9).

Final date of this report period: 5 March 1996.

Number of separate outbreaks identified so far: one (1).

The outbreak of rinderpest reported in Kumluca village, Diyarbakir province, came to an end on 26 February 1996, and emergency measures have been lifted in the region. A total of 3,425 cattle have so far been vaccinated around the outbreak.

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RABIES IN MALAYSIA (PENINSULAR)
No new cases

Text of a communication received on 6 March 1996 from Dr A.M. Babjee, Delegate of Malaysia to the OIE, Kuala Lumpur:

S. R. - 2 No. 1

Final date of previous report period: 10 January 1996 (see *Disease Information*, 9 [1], 4).

Final date of this report period: 16 February 1996.

Estimated date of first infection: 25 December 1995.

Number of separate outbreaks identified so far: one (1).

Geographical identification of the outbreak: Kuala Terengganu district (5° 19' N - 103° 9' E), State of Terengganu.

Comments concerning diagnosis: the case reported in SR-1 was confirmed by fluorescent antibody test.

Comments to date concerning epidemiology of the disease: retrospective investigation suggested that the infected dog had escaped from a foreign fishing boat detained by the Malaysian fishery authorities for illegal activities. This was subsequently confirmed by the Fisheries Department.

Control measures taken during report period:

- a) Stray dog eradication programme.
- b) Marang and Kuala Terengganu districts have been gazetted as rabies-infected areas.
- c) Samples from 41 randomly selected stray dogs destroyed under the rabies surveillance programme were tested by fluorescent antibody test or by inoculation in mice. All were negative.
- d) Hospital authorities have been informed of the incident.
- e) Established coordination mechanism with Marine Police, Fisheries Department and Port Authorities.

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