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SWINE VESICULAR DISEASE IN ITALY More provinces affected

Translation of a fax received on 6 November and a telex received on 10 November 1998 from Dr Romano Marabelli, Director General of Veterinary Services, Ministry of Public Health, Rome:

Date of suspected outbreak: 2 November 1998.

Date of confirmation of diagnosis: 3 November 1998.

<i>Registration No. of the outbreak</i>	<i>Location</i>
98/11	Soresina district, Cremona province, Lombardy region
98/12	Lonato district, Brescia province, Lombardy region
98/13	Pontinia, Latina province, Lazio region

Description of affected population:

- Outbreak 98/11: breeding pigs.
- Outbreaks 98/12 and 98/13: fattening pigs.

Total number of animals in the outbreaks:

<i>susceptible</i>	<i>cases</i>	<i>deaths</i>	<i>destroyed</i>	<i>slaughtered</i>
22,650	192	0	22,650*	0

* between 7 and 9 November 1998.

Epidemiology: the fattening holdings (outbreaks Nos 98/12 and 98/13) purchased pigs from infected holding No. 98/11.

Control measures during reporting period: control measures provided for under National and European legislation.

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OLD WORLD SCREWWORM (*CHRYSOMYA BEZZIANA*) IN KUWAIT
The Delegate declares his country free from the disease

FOLLOW-UP REPORT No. 2

Text of an e-mail received on 8 November 1998 from Dr Sultan Al-Khalaf, Deputy Director General, The Public Authority for Agriculture Affairs and Fish Resources (PAAF), Safat:

End of previous report period: 16 April 1998 (see *Disease Information*, **11** [15], 54, dated 17 April 1998).

Active surveillance for Old World screwworm has been on-going in the main livestock production areas and at the border quarantine stations since the first case was detected in late November 1997. The Insect Control Department of the Ministry of Health has also been carrying out fly surveillance, including for *Chrysomya bezziana*, throughout the country.

No case of Old World screwworm has been detected in Kuwait since the cases reported on 19 March 1998. The situation has remained the same even after many weeks of suitable climatic conditions in autumn 1998. Furthermore, only *Chrysomya albiceps* was detected during this period.

Kuwait has, therefore, been free from Old World screwworm since 19 March 1998.

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CLASSICAL SWINE FEVER IN ARGENTINA
Additional information

FOLLOW-UP REPORT No. 1 (CONTD)

Translation of a fax received on 9 November 1998 from Dr L.O. Barcos, President of the National Department of Agrarian Health (SENASA), Ministry of Economy, Public Works and Services, Buenos Aires:

Description of affected population in the outbreaks that occurred in September 1998 (see Disease Information, 11 [40], 144, dated 9 October 1998):

- Outbreak in Guatimozin: some piglets had persistent diarrhoea, which did not respond to treatment.
- Outbreak in Ordoñez: abortions; weak piglets; some sows had only two or three piglets.
- Outbreak in Isla Verde: abortions.
- Outbreak in Berabevú: weak and anorexic piglets. Antibiotics have been prescribed.

Diagnosis:

- A. Laboratory where diagnosis was made:** SENASA Directorate of Laboratory.
- B. Diagnostic tests used:** indirect immunofluorescence, except for the outbreak in Berabevú: cryostat sections and direct immunofluorescence.
- C. Causal agent:** not isolated.

Epidemiology: these are primary outbreaks, without any new cases or abortions to date.

Control measures during reporting period: the holdings have been placed under quarantine until 19 (Guatimozin), 20 (Isla Verde), 21 (Ordoñez) and 29 (Berabevú) October 1998.

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FOOT AND MOUTH DISEASE IN ARMENIA

(Date of last previously reported outbreak: October 1996).

EMERGENCY REPORT

Based on the monthly reports of Armenia for July and August 1998, received on 10 November 1998 from Dr A.A. Agadzhanian, Chief Veterinary Officer, Ministry of Agriculture, Erevan:

One outbreak of foot and mouth disease was reported in July and August 1998 in Amasiya, in the north-western part of the country (Shirak region).

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CLASSICAL SWINE FEVER IN MOLDAVIA Lifting of restriction measures

FOLLOW-UP REPORT No. 2

Translation of a fax received on 11 November 1998 from Dr V.M. Bahau, Chief Veterinary Officer, Ministry of Agriculture and Food, Kishinev:

End of previous report period: 14 October 1998 (see *Disease Information*, **11** [41], 149, dated 16 October 1998).

End of this report period: 11 November 1998.

The farms in the villages of Malaeshty, Ivancha, Dyshkovo and Putsuntei (Orgeyev district) are now free from classical swine fever. To date, no further deaths or animals presenting clinical signs have been reported in these localities. In consequence they are now recognised as free from classical swine fever virus and all restrictions and quarantine measures there have been lifted. Restrictions have also been lifted in the zone previously considered to be at risk.

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