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**DENMARK
and
GERMAN DEMOCRATIC REPUBLIC**

**Agreement concerning co-operation in veterinary matters.
Signed at Copenhagen on 12 April 1985**

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**DANEMARK
et
RÉPUBLIQUE DÉMOCRATIQUE ALLEMANDE**

**Accord concernant la coopération dans le domaine vétérinaire.
Signé à Copenhague le 12 avril 1985**

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[TRANSLATION — TRADUCTION]

AGREEMENT¹ BETWEEN THE GOVERNMENT OF THE KINGDOM OF DENMARK AND THE GOVERNMENT OF THE GERMAN DEMOCRATIC REPUBLIC CONCERNING CO-OPERATION IN VETERINARY MATTERS

The Government of the Kingdom of Denmark and the Government of the German Democratic Republic,

Endeavouring to deepen the friendly ties existing between the two countries, with a view to applying the provisions resulting from the Conference on Security and Co-operation in Europe, and guided by a desire to develop further the co-operation between the two countries in veterinary matters in order to prevent and combat animal diseases in the interest of both countries and in order to promote the development of animal products, have agreed as follows:

Article I. In order to prevent and combat communicable diseases, the Contracting Parties shall take the following measures:

(1) The Contracting Parties shall notify each other without delay and provide each other with information concerning:

- The occurrence and course of the following communicable animal diseases:
 - African horse sickness;
 - Glanders;
 - Foot-and-mouth disease (classical and exotic types);
 - Cattle plague;
 - Bovine pleuropneumonia (pleuropneumonia contagiosa bovum);
 - Classical and African swine fever;
 - Communicable swine vesicular disease;
 - Communicable porcine encephalomyelitis;
 - Blue tongue in sheep and cattle;
 - Sheep pox;
 - New communicable animal diseases with high risk of infection or high mortality rate;
- The measures taken to combat the said communicable animal diseases;
- The areas stricken by the said communicable animal diseases and the number of sick animals;
- The type and subtype of virus detected in the case of foot-and-mouth disease.

(2) The Contracting Parties shall without delay exchange official reports concerning the situation with regard to animal diseases.

¹ Came into force on 1 July 1985, the date on which the Contracting Parties informed each other of the completion of the necessary internal requirements, in accordance with article VIII (1).

(3) The Contracting Parties shall, on request, exchange strains of bacteria and viruses.

Article II. The Contracting Parties shall, on request, inform each other concerning the organization of the veterinary service and concerning the laws and regulations applicable in veterinary matters.

Article III. The Contracting Parties shall:

(1) Inform each other, on request, concerning the application of their experience in the field of veterinary medicine with a view to the protection of animals against communicable animal diseases, including parasitoses, and other special dangers to livestock;

(2) Exchange experience with regard to measures taken in respect of non-communicable animal diseases and in respect of harmful effects, especially those produced by toxic agents and radioactive substances, which may cause major loss of livestock or may reduce the productivity of livestock;

(3) Contribute, in accordance with laws and other regulations applicable at the time in the two countries, to the further development and promotion of the exchange of scientific experience in all fields of veterinary medicine.

Article IV. (1) The Contracting Parties shall, in connection with the import, export and transit of live animals, animal carcasses, parts of animals, animal products and raw materials of animal origin, co-operate with a view to preventing the transmission of communicable diseases from the territory of one Contracting Party to the territory of the other Contracting Party.

(2) The import, export and transit of live animals, animal carcasses, parts of animals, animal products and raw materials of animal origin shall take place after it has been authorized by the highest veterinary authorities of the Contracting Parties.

(3) The competent State organs of the Contracting Parties may, upon consultation, agree to impose veterinary-hygiene conditions upon import, export and transit between the territories of the Contracting Parties.

Article V. The consultations relating to the application of the provisions of this Agreement shall be carried on by the Ministry of Agriculture in the case of the Government of the Kingdom of Denmark and by the Ministry of Agriculture, Forestry and the Food Industry in the case of the Government of the German Democratic Republic. The central veterinary organs of the two countries shall be authorized to engage in close and direct co-operation with regard to questions relating to the implementation of the Agreement.

Article VI. The cost of documentation and its transmittal in pursuance of articles I to III shall be borne by the sending country.

Article VII. The Contracting Parties rights and obligations under other international treaties previously concluded by them shall not be affected by this Agreement.

Article VIII. (1) This Agreement shall enter into force at the time when the two Contracting Parties have informed each other that the necessary domestic requirements for its entry into force have been met.

(2) The Agreement is concluded for a period of five years. It shall be automatically extended for additional periods of five years unless denounced in writing by one of the Contracting Parties at least six months before its expiry.

(3) Amendments or supplements to this Agreement shall be agreed upon in writing by the Contracting Parties.

DONE at Copenhagen on 12 April 1985, in duplicate in the Danish and German languages, both texts being equally authentic.

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