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# IMPORTS AND EU POLICY TEAM

## OVS Note/2020/09

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## CURRENT SITUATION RELATING TO IMPORTS OF POULTRY MEAT FROM RUSSIA

#### Purpose

1. To advise you of the current situation relating to Newcastle disease in Russia.

#### Background

- 2. On 28 January 2019, the Russian authorities confirmed the presence of Newcastle disease in a poultry holding. In August 2019 they informed the EU Commission of several other outbreaks in their territories.
- 3. Restrictions are already in place on imports of poultry meat from Russia due to outbreaks of highly pathogenic avian influenza in 2016.
- 4. <u>Commission Implementing Regulation (EU) 2020/393</u> amending Annex I to <u>Regulation (EC) No 798/2008</u> as regards the entry for Russia in the list of third countries provides clarity and legal certainty of the current situation in Russia.
- 5. We will keep you informed of developments.





### Action for OVSs

To note the above information. 6.

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