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IMPORTS AND EU POLICY TEAM

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OUTBREAK OF PESTE DES PETITS RUMINANTS IN HUNGARY

Purpose

1. To inform you that imports of the following commodities from Hungary have been temporarily suspended in response to a recent outbreak of Peste des Petits Ruminants (PPR):
 - a. Fresh and chilled (untreated) hides and skins of ovine and caprine animals (GBHC 540)
 - b. Untreated wool and hair from ovine and caprine animals (GBHC 586).

Background

2. Hungary reported their first case of PPR to WOAHA on 27 January 2025: [WAHIS](#). This outbreak was confirmed on 24 January 2025 in a sheep establishment with 1,810 sheep, located in Szentgyörgyvölgy, near the Hungarian–Slovenian border.
3. [OVS note 2025/10](#) was issued on 29 January 2025, notifying of the PPR outbreak and that the UK Office for SPS Trade Assurance had amended its country listings to temporarily suspend imports from Hungary of the following commodities:
 - a. Live sheep and goats (see the [live ungulates list](#))
 - b. Ovine and caprine germplasm (see the [ovine and caprine semen](#) and [ovine and caprine ova and embryos](#) lists)
 - c. Raw milk and raw milk products derived from ovine and caprine animals (see the [milk and milk products list](#))

This OVS note also requested that consignments of fresh and chilled (untreated) hides and skins and untreated wool and hair from ovine and caprine animals be held while TARP safeguard measures were implemented to temporarily suspend imports of these commodities.

4. Safeguard declarations under the [Trade in Animals and Related Products \(2011\)](#) (and equivalent powers in Scotland and Wales) have now been published to suspend imports into Great Britain of the following commodities from the whole territory of Hungary:
 - a. Fresh and chilled (untreated) hides and skins of ovine and caprine animals (GBHC 540)
 - b. Untreated wool and hair from ovine and caprine animals (GBHC 586).

5. The following safeguard declarations give effect to these restrictions:
 - a. [Declaration of special measures: peste des petits ruminants in Hungary \(England\)](#)
 - b. [Declaration of special measures: peste des petits ruminants in Hungary \(Scotland\)](#)
 - c. [Declaration of special measures: peste des petits ruminants in Hungary \(Wales\)](#)

6. These safeguard measures apply from 1 February 2025 and will continue to apply until they are revoked or amended.

Action for OVSs

7. To note the contents of this OVS note.

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