

Internal memorandum

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Subject: Closure memo - ISA-free status of compartment [REDACTED]

By letter dated 18 February 2019 (Doc No 1053390), the Kingdom of Norway submitted to the EFTA Surveillance Authority (“the Authority”) declarations of disease-free status regarding Infectious Salmon Anaemia (“ISA”) for the compartment [REDACTED] in [REDACTED] Municipality, Nordland County (Doc Nos 1053388, 1053386, 1053382 and 1053384).

Pursuant to Article 50(2)(b) of Directive 2006/88, the notification of a declaration of compartments or zones free of ISA received from an EFTA State shall be added by the Authority to the agenda of the next meeting of the EFTA Veterinary and Phytosanitary Committee as an information point. The declaration shall subsequently take effect 60 days after the date of that meeting, provided that there are no significant objective concerns related to the supporting evidence raised by any of the EFTA States nor by the Authority under Article 50(2)(d) to (f).

The declarations for the two compartments were submitted to the EFTA Veterinary and Phytosanitary Committee on 2 April 2019 (Doc No 1061389).

In the subsequent report of the Authority’s Mission to Norway from 20 to 29 May 2019 in order to evaluate the animal health controls in relation to aquaculture animals dated 23 September 2019 (Doc No 1085525), the Authority recommended that the Norwegian Government ensure that the list of Norwegian ISA-free compartments and zones (‘the list’) is publicly available and timely updated to provide reliable and accurate information as required by Article 51 of Directive 2006/88/EC.

Following this mission report, the NFSA withdrew a number of suspended compartments from the list, including compartment [REDACTED] (Doc No 1075952).

On the basis that compartment [REDACTED] is no longer listed as an ISA-free compartment and that any relisting of that compartment would require the Norwegian Government to first obtain approval of a related surveillance programme, this case should now be closed.

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