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**SUBJECT:** Transportation of sport horses in transit through the territory of the Republic of Serbia when participating in events in Central and Western Europe

**DEAR COLLEAGUES,**

Hereby, I would like to take the opportunity to present my compliments and respect to your authorities and to you personally. I would like to present you the following information.

Representatives of the Bulgarian Equestrian Federation and its members regularly take part in international competitions and tournaments in the EU MS. One of the shortest and fastest routes is through the territory of the Republic of Serbia.

As a result of a meeting between the Bulgarian Food Safety Agency (BFSA) and the Chief Veterinary Officer (CVO) of Serbian competent authority and the Director of the Animal Health Directorate, it was agreed to apply a simplified procedure for the transit of sport horses through the territory of the Republic of Serbia for sports events. The consignments of animals must be accompanied by one of the following certificates, in accordance with the *Commission Implementing Regulation (EU) 2021/403 of 24 March 2021 laying down rules for the application of Regulations (EU) 2016/429 and (EU) 2017/625 of the European Parliament and of the Council as regards model animal health certificates and model animal health/official certificates, for introduction into the Union and movement between Member States of consignments of certain categories of terrestrial animals and germinal products thereof, official certification regarding such certificates and repealing Decision 2010/470/EU* (Text with EEA relevance):

EQUI-INTRA-IND Chapter 7: Model animal health certificate for the movement between Member States of an individual equine animal not intended for slaughter.

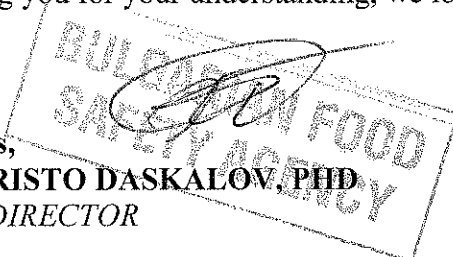
EQUI-INTRA-CON Chapter 8: Model animal health certificate for the movement between Member States of a consignment of equine animals.

In both cases, in box L21 of the certificates (For transit through a third country) it should be indicated *Transit through the territory of Serbia*, written in English.

The Serbian veterinary authorities have undertaken to inform their Border Control Directorate of the agreed terms.

Thanking you for your understanding, we look forward to your cooperation.

Sincerely yours,  
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