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Report Highlights:

The European Commission recently approved Decision 2010/712/EU, which aims to eradicate, control and monitor animal diseases in the EU-27 in 2011. The Decision includes provisions for a budget of €250 million of which the EU will directly contribute €35 million, with the Member States providing the balance. While the programs to control avian influenza and salmonella remain high priorities, the program for the monitoring and eradication of BSE/TSE has the largest single share of the budget with an allocation of €86 million.

General Information:

On November 23, 2010, the European Commission (EC) approved [Commission Decision 2010/712/EU](#) [1] for the eradication, control and monitoring of animal diseases in 2011. Provisions are included for a budget of €250 million, €135 million of which will be provided by the EU, with the Member States furnishing the rest. This new Decision is in line with the Animal Health Strategy for the EU (2007-2013) which was reported in GAIN [E47015](#) and [E47096](#).

Some noteworthy sections of the Decision are:

BSE/TSE monitoring and eradication programs

The BSE situation in the EU has improved markedly over the years as a result of continued improvements in animal husbandry and monitoring and eradication programs in most Member States. The budget allocation has increased to €6 million for 2011, however, in response to efforts to increase monitoring and eradication of Transmissible Spongiform Encephalopathy (TSE) in small ruminants.

Avian influenza surveillance

Surveillance for avian influenza in poultry and wild birds continues with financial assistance from the EU for laboratory testing and sampling of wild birds. Surveillance has been quite effective in detecting early outbreaks of both high and low pathogenic influenzas over the past years, with early detection of avian influenza in wild birds playing a vital role in reducing the spread of the disease in commercial flocks. A budget of €3.6 million has been earmarked for this in 2011.

Brucellosis in bovine

Brucellosis eradication efforts in the United Kingdom, Ireland, Italy, Spain and Portugal remain a high priority, with a funding allocation of €3 million.

Salmonella control programs

The prevalence of salmonella continues to decline and €3 million has been earmarked for continued control and eradication efforts.

Related reports from FAS EU

E50041	EC planning new TSE Roadmap 2010-2015 as decrease in BSE cases continues	06/07/2010
E50024	New EU Animal Health Law anticipated in 2010	03/23/2010
E49088	EC animal disease eradication, control and monitoring program for 2010	12/03/2009

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^[1] <http://eur-lex.europa.eu/LexUriServ/LexUriServ.do?uri=OJ:L:2010:309:0018:0030:EN:PDF>