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Your Letter

Our Letter
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Responsible
MVDr. Frič

Bratislava
30. 3. 2025

Subject: Foot and Mouth Disease – fifth outbreak in a commercial cattle holding in Slovakia

Dear Dr. Van Goethem,

Hereby I would like to inform you about fifth confirmed outbreak of the foot and mouth disease (FMD) in the commercial farm of cattle. The positive results have been confirmed by the PCR tests performed by the National Reference Laboratory for FMD – State Veterinary and Food Institute (VI Zvolen).

The outbreak at the farm First Farms Agra M s. r. o. – LOKA, Plavecký Štvrtok (GPS Lat.: 48.3861, GPS Lng.: 16.9924) was confirmed in the district of Malacky, Bratislavský region on 30/03/2025. The outbreak is located in the further restricted zone of our previous reported outbreaks.

The surveillance zone extends into the territory of Austria.

The epidemiological investigation is ongoing, emergency vaccination of the susceptible animals in the outbreak is carried out. Veterinary measures are being applied in the outbreak and in the restricted zone (3 km protection zone and 10 km surveillance zone), all measures are implemented in accordance with the Commission Delegated Regulation (EU) 2020/687.

We will keep you informed about further developments.

Yours sincerely,

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Enclosure:

Maps of the outbreak with restricted zones





