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Subject: **Highly pathogenic avian influenza (HPAI) H7N7 in Lancashire, UK –
 Lifting of measures**

Message:

Please find attached a letter from the veterinary authorities in the United Kingdom informing about the lifting of the measures in relation to an outbreak of highly pathogenic avian influenza (HPAI) H7N7 on 9 July 2015 in Lancashire (see my faxes 032/2015 and 039/2015 of 13/07/2015 and 07/08/2015 respectively).

I will keep you informed of further developments.

Yours faithfully,

Bernard Van Goethem

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From Nigel Gibbens
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Dear Bernard,

HPAI (H7N7) - Lifting of 10km Surveillance Zone, Preston, Lancashire UK

I am pleased to inform you that the UK lifted the 10km surveillance zone from around the case of Highly Pathogenic Avian Influenza (HPAI) H7N7 as described in Commission Implementing Decision 2015/1160/EU, following the completion of the activities required by Directive 2005/94/EC, on 16th August.

We are grateful to the EU Commission for your continued support to our control and eradication of the case of HPAI H7N7 in the United Kingdom.

Yours sincerely

NIGEL GIBBENS

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