

Chapter 1.1.3 – Notification and Epidemiological Information

Current OIE proposed text:

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Rationale: Reporting a “suspected” case of a given disease may result in significant trade impacts when in fact the results of such a “suspected” occurrence is negative. Confirmation of the suspected case should be required.