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COMMISSION IMPLEMENTING REGULATION (EU) 2024/1320

of 15 May 2024

amending Implementing Regulation (EU) 2020/1201 as regards the list of infected zones for containment of *Xylella fastidiosa* (Wells *et al.*)

THE EUROPEAN COMMISSION,

Having regard to the Treaty on the Functioning of the European Union,

Having regard to Regulation (EU) 2016/2031 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 26 October 2016 on protective measures against pests of plants, amending Regulations (EU) No 228/2013, (EU) No 652/2014 and (EU) No 1143/2014 of the European Parliament and of the Council and repealing Council Directives 69/464/EEC, 74/647/EEC, 93/85/EEC, 98/57/EC, 2000/29/EC, 2006/91/EC and 2007/33/EC ([1]), and in particular Article 28(1) thereof,

Whereas:

(1) Commission Implementing Regulation (EU) 2020/1201 ([2]) has been applied since August 2020 with the aim to prevent the introduction into and the further spread within the Union of *Xylella fastidiosa* (Wells *et al.*) ('the specified pest').

(2) Following the surveys carried out pursuant to Article 10 of Implementing Regulation (EU) 2020/1201, Italy has confirmed that the eradication of the specified pest in the municipalities of Alberobello, Castellana Grotte, Monopoli, Polignano a Mare and Putignano in the province of Bari and in the municipality of Fasano in the province of Taranto is no longer possible.

(3) Those municipalities should be thus added to the respective list of infected zones under containment, as set out in Annex III to Implementing Regulation (EU) 2020/1201, concerning the provinces of Taranto and Bari.

(4) Implementing Regulation (EU) 2020/1201 should therefore be amended accordingly.

(5) The measures provided for in this Regulation are in accordance with the opinion of the Standing Committee on Plants, Animals, Food and Feed,

HAS ADOPTED THIS REGULATION:

Article 1

Amendments to Implementing Regulation (EU) 2020/1201

Annex III to Implementing Regulation (EU) 2020/1201 is amended in accordance with the Annex to this Regulation.

Article 2

Entry into force

This Regulation shall enter into force on the twentieth day following that of its publication in the *Official Journal of the European Union*.

([1]) OJ L 317, 23.11.2016, p. 4, ELI: http://data.europa.eu/eli/reg/2016/2031/oj.

([2]) Commission Implementing Regulation (EU) 2020/1201 of 14 August 2020 as regards measures to prevent the introduction into and the spread within the Union of *Xylella fastidiosa* (Wells *et al.*) (OJ L 269, 17.8.2020, p. 2, ELI: http://data.europa.eu/eli/reg_impl/2020/1201/oj).

This Regulation shall be binding in its entirety and directly applicable in all Member States.

Done at Brussels, 15 May 2024.

For the Commission
The President
Ursula VON DER LEYEN

ANNEX

Annex III, Part A to Implementing Regulation (EU) 2020/1201, is amended as follows:

(1) In point 3, 'Municipalities located in the province of Taranto': 'Fasano' is inserted after 'Faggiano'.

(2) Point 4 is replaced by the following:

'4. Municipalities located in the province of Bari:

Alberobello

Castellana Grotte

Locorotondo

Monopoli

Polignano a Mare

Putignano'.