

RESOLUTION No. 24

**Extension to the Designation of Facilities Holding Rinderpest Virus
Containing Material to Maintain Global Freedom from Rinderpest**

ACKNOWLEDGING the declaration of global freedom from rinderpest in May 2011 and the commitment made by Member to maintaining this status, reaffirmed through OIE Resolution No. 21 (2017),

REITERATING the importance of reducing the risk posed by rinderpest virus containing material stocks through the destruction of virus in a safe manner and/or the transfer stocks to designated facilities holding rinderpest virus containing material (hereinafter ‘Rinderpest Holding Facilities’),

CONSIDERING THAT

1. Resolution No. 23 (2014) requested the Director General to put in place, jointly with FAO, a system to designate, inspect, monitor and evaluate Rinderpest Holding Facilities,
2. Resolution No. 20 (2018) informed the OIE Members that OIE would re-evaluate, jointly with the FAO, the five Rinderpest Holding Facilities that were designated in Resolution No. 25 from the 83rd General Session, in May 2015.

THE ASSEMBLY

RESOLVES

To extend the designation, on behalf of the OIE, and subject to equivalent action by FAO in accordance with its processes, of the following facilities as approved for holding rinderpest virus containing material, subject to re-evaluation every 3 years, with the category specified for each institute and to maintain them on the list of FAO-OIE approved Rinderpest Holding Facilities (available on the OIE and FAO web sites):

A) Rinderpest Holding Facility for storing rinderpest virus containing material, excluding vaccine stocks

1. African Union Pan African Veterinary Vaccine Centre (AU-PANVAC), Debre-Zeit, Ethiopia.
2. High Containment Facilities of Exotic Diseases Research Station, National Institute of Animal Health, Kodaira, Tokyo, Japan.
3. USDA-APHIS, Foreign Animal Disease Diagnostic Laboratory (FADDL), Plum Island, New York, United States of America.
4. The Pirbright Institute, Surrey, United Kingdom.

B) Rinderpest Vaccine Holding Facility for storing only manufactured vaccines, vaccine stocks and material solely for their production:

1. African Union Pan African Veterinary Vaccine Centre (AU-PANVAC), Debre-Zeit, Ethiopia
 2. Building for Safety Evaluation Research, Production Center for Biologicals; Building for Biologics, Research and Development (storage), National Institute of Animal Health, Tsukuba, Ibaraki, Japan.
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