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Country Report on National Stray Dogs situation Report from Republic of Macedonia

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I. Understanding country situation



- What is the current situation with regards to stray dogs in your country?
- There is certain development and progress ongoing since June 2014/1 new shelter opened/southwest region municipalities under development
- What progress have been achieved since June 2014 to assess the situation? (dog survey? Improvement of the legal framework? Etc.)
- New Animal welfare Law is adopted (dangerous dogs legislation/ registration of pet shops and breeders/a VIS module I&R of dogs is developed
- What are the remaining challenges to assess the situation?
- Full implementation of the legislation/identification of dogs
- What are the proposed next steps?
- Identification-microchiping of dogs (module in I&R established)

II. Control measures



- What is the current situation with regards to <u>strategy</u> / <u>programme</u>
 (s) for the control of stray dogs in your country? (and the
 management of dog population in general)
- According to the new law on AW municipalities is responsible for development a strategy
- What progress have been achieved since June 2014 to control stray dogs?
- 1 new shelter opened / south western region municipalities began with activities/ association of the units of local self government began with activities to implement the legislation (action plan is adopted)
- What are the remaining challenges to control stray dogs?
- Raising awareness/promoting responsible ownership/microchiping

IV. Rabies dimension



- How has the rabies situation evolved in your country since 2014 (in dogs; in wildlife; in humans)?
- There is not a rabies case since 2014
- Do you have rabies control programme(s) in place in your country?
- Yes
- Are you aware of the Global framework for the elimination of dog mediated rabies adopted in December 2015?
- No
- If yes, have you carried out steps / activities to implement it at national level?
- Oral vaccination of foxes/vaccination of dogs (obligatory)

IV. Conclusions and future needs



- Overall, do you consider that your country is in compliance with OIE standard on Stray Dog population control in terms of:
 - Assessing the situation/ Yes, national legislation is fully compliant with OIE standards
 - Controlling the situation/ Yes, partially (municipalities-financial issues and lack of interest and knowledge to implement the legislation/lack of trained personnel
 - Monitoring the situation
- Do you need external aid to address the weakness(es) with stray dogs in your country? Yes-financial support is welcomed
- Do you have any comment on the national Report prepared by OIE and IZSAM? No



Thank you for your attention!