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## To whom it may concern

I undersigned, Jean-François Heymans, Chief Veterinary Officer of Belgium and dep. delegate to the OIE (World Organization for Animal Health) declare that Belgium is officially free from African Swine Fever for all suidae since 1<sup>st</sup> October 2020 in accordance with Chapter 15 of the OIE Terrestrial Code.

The Approved OIE self-declaration is accessible via the following links:

- <a href="https://www.woah.org/en/what-we-offer/self-declared-disease-status/">https://www.woah.org/en/what-we-offer/self-declared-disease-status/</a>
- <a href="https://www.woah.org/app/uploads/2023/11/2020-12-belgium-asf-self-declaration-eng.pdf">https://www.woah.org/app/uploads/2023/11/2020-12-belgium-asf-self-declaration-eng.pdf</a>

Any change in the epidemiological situation will be immediately published on the FASFC's website\* with an adaptation of this declaration, and will be notified to the OIE in accordance with its provisions.

Brussels, 23 December 2020.

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\*https://www.fasfc.be/outbreaks-african-swine-fever

Our task is to preserve the safety of the food chain and the quality of food in order to protect the health of humans, animals and plants

