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Dear Dr Jazdzewski

## Application for designation of an OIE Reference Laboratory for Q fever

I am pleased to advise you that during its recent annual General Session in Paris, the World Assembly of Delegates of the OIE confirmed the designation of the National Veterinary Research Institute, National Reference Laboratory in Pulawy, as a new OIE Reference Laboratory for Q fever with Dr Krzysztof Niemczuk as the designated expert.

Thank you for your willingness to co-operate with the OIE and its Member Countries, and I look forward to working with Dr Niemczuk in the future. May I remind you that OIE Reference Centres are mandated to provide an annual report of their activities as OIE Reference Centres. The deadline for these reports is the end of January of each year. OIE Reference Centres and Designated Experts must also sign a Confidentiality Undertaking and a Declaration of Interests. Please find attached the forms, which are also available online at: <a href="http://www.oie.int/en/about-us/key-texts/experts-obligations/">http://www.oie.int/en/about-us/key-texts/experts-obligations/</a>.

With best regards,

Yours sincerely

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cc: Dr Krzysztof Niemczuk, Dr Brian Evans, Dr Elisabeth Erlacher-Vindel

Encs: Declaration of Interests/Confidentiality Undertaking forms