Letter of Announcement

UK National Medicines Verification System LIVE

FMD stakeholders,

We are pleased to announce that the UK Medicines Verification System is now connected to the EU Hub within the Live Production Environment and is ready to serve the MAHs and End-User communities active within the United Kingdom.

This major milestone was achieved thanks to the commitment and efforts of the SecurMed UK team and all stakeholders involved in the implementation of the Falsified Medicines Directive in the UK. At national level the guidance, alignment and support of the constituency stakeholder associations represented in the SecurMed UK Board, together with the UK National Competent Authorities, made it possible to make the appropriate project decisions required to reach this important milestone. SecurMed UK's dedicated implementation team has focused on operational efficiency and ensuring that all aspects of this complex project were addressed to meet our target timeline.

We would like to highlight the valuable support received from our IT service provider Arvato Systems GmbH, the EMVO team and our strong collaboration ties with the other NMVOs to enable us to achieve this objective. With this major step forward, the Marketing Authorisation Holders can now start uploading pack data for the UK to the EU Hub through their OBPs. The upload of data for packs that are already in circulation within the market is extremely important, with a view to maximising efficiency within the system and minimizing false positive alerts.

The next phase of the project will focus on registration and enabling end-users within the United Kingdom to connect to the national system in readiness for FMD regulatory go-live on 09-Feb-2019.

For any further information, the SecurMed UK team will be happy to answer questions on the UK FMD implementation. You can reach us at info@securmed.org.uk or consult the FAQ on our website — www.securmed.org.uk

Kind Regards,

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