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NOTE FOR THE ATTENTION OF THE PERMANENT REPRESENTATIONS OF THE MEMBER STATES OF THE EUROPEAN UNION

Subject: Invitation to nominate Member State representatives to the Committee on serious cross-border threats to health (Article 29 of Regulation (EU) 2022/2371)

Regulation (EU) 2022/2371 on serious cross-border threats to health and repealing Decision No 1082/2013/EU ("SCBTH Regulation") entered into force on 26 December 2022.

The Regulation foresees the adoption of an Implementing Act for Article 15, where the European Commission is empowered to designate EU reference laboratories in the area of public health or for specific areas of public health, "to provide support to national reference laboratories to promote good practice and alignment by Member States on a voluntary basis on diagnostics, testing methods, use of certain tests for the uniform surveillance, notification and reporting of diseases by Member States".

We would like to invite you to nominate representatives of your country to the Committee on serious cross-border threats to health. The Committee will be tasked with the adoption of the Implementing Act for the designation of the above-mentioned EU reference laboratories. For the purpose of the adoption, the Committee will be convened on Thursday 7 March 2024 from 10:00-13:00.

We would be grateful to receive your nominations to this group by **Monday 19 February 2024**. Please send your nominations to SANTE-CONSULT-B2@ec.europa.eu.

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