Annex 26

CHAPTER 8.20.

**INFECTION WITH FRANCISELLA TULARENSIS (TULAREMIA)**

Article 8.20.2.

~~Tularemia free country~~ Country or zone free from tularemia

A country or *zone* may be considered free from tularemia when:

1. the *infection* has been notifiable in the entire country ~~it has been shown that tularemia has not been present~~ for at least the past two years;
2. for at least the past two years, *specific surveillance* in accordance with Chapter 1.4. has been in place in the entire country or zone, and there has been no *case* in the country or *zone*; ~~and when bacteriological or serological surveys in previously infected~~ *~~zones~~* ~~have given negative results.~~

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| Australia | **Category:** Editorial  **Proposed amended text**:   1. ~~for at least the past two years,~~ *specific surveillance* in accordance with Chapter 1.4. has been in place in the entire country or zone, and there has been no *case* in the country or *zone* for at least the past two years;; ~~and when bacteriological or serological surveys in previously infected~~ *~~zones~~* ~~have given negative results.~~   **Rationale:**  Wording more consistent with point 1. Italicised ‘zone’ as it is a glossary term. |