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**COMMISSION IMPLEMENTING REGULATION (EU) 2024/748**

**of 22 February 2024**

**amending Annexes V and XIV to Implementing Regulation (EU) 2021/404 as regards the entries for Canada, the United Kingdom and the United States in the lists of third countries authorised for the entry into the Union of consignments of poultry and germinal products of poultry, and of fresh meat of poultry and game birds**

(Text with EEA relevance)

THE EUROPEAN COMMISSION,

Having regard to the Treaty on the Functioning of the European Union,

Having regard to Regulation (EU) 2016/429 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 9 March 2016 on transmissible animal diseases and amending and repealing certain acts in the area of animal health ('Animal Health Law') <sup>(1)</sup>, and in particular Articles 230(1) and 232(1) and (3) thereof,

Whereas:

- (1) Regulation (EU) 2016/429 provides that consignments of animals, germinal products and products of animal origin must come from a third country or territory, or zone or compartment thereof, listed in accordance with Article 230(1) of that Regulation in order to enter the Union.
- (2) Commission Delegated Regulation (EU) 2020/692 <sup>(2)</sup> lays down the animal health requirements that consignments of certain species and categories of animals, germinal products and products of animal origin, from third countries or territories, or zones thereof, or compartments thereof in the case of aquaculture animals, must comply with in order to enter the Union.
- (3) Commission Implementing Regulation (EU) 2021/404 <sup>(3)</sup> lays down the lists of third countries, or territories, or zones thereof, from which the entry into the Union of the species and categories of animals, germinal products and products of animal origin falling within the scope of Delegated Regulation (EU) 2020/692 is permitted. Those lists and certain general rules concerning those lists are set out in Annexes I to XXII to that Regulation.
- (4) More particularly, Annexes V and XIV to Implementing Regulation (EU) 2021/404 set out the lists of third countries, or territories, or zones thereof authorised for the entry into the Union, respectively, of consignments of poultry and germinal products of poultry, and of fresh meat of poultry and game birds.
- (5) Canada has notified the Commission of four outbreaks of highly pathogenic avian influenza (HPAI) in poultry in the provinces of Alberta, Nova Scotia, Ontario and Quebec, and which were confirmed between 30 January 2024 and 9 February 2024 by laboratory analysis (RT-PCR).
- (6) The United Kingdom has notified the Commission of an outbreak of HPAI in poultry in the county of Yorkshire, England, which was confirmed on 14 February 2024 by laboratory analysis (RT-PCR).

<sup>(1)</sup> OJ L 84, 31.3.2016, p. 1.

<sup>(2)</sup> Commission Delegated Regulation (EU) 2020/692 of 30 January 2020 supplementing Regulation (EU) 2016/429 of the European Parliament and of the Council as regards rules for entry into the Union, and the movement and handling after entry of consignments of certain animals, germinal products and products of animal origin (OJ L 174, 3.6.2020, p. 379, ELI: [http://data.europa.eu/eli/reg\\_del/2020/692/oj](http://data.europa.eu/eli/reg_del/2020/692/oj)).

<sup>(3)</sup> Commission Implementing Regulation (EU) 2021/404 of 24 March 2021 laying down the lists of third countries, territories or zones thereof from which the entry into the Union of animals, germinal products and products of animal origin is permitted in accordance with Regulation (EU) 2016/429 of the European Parliament and of the Council (OJ L 114, 31.3.2021, p. 1, ELI: [http://data.europa.eu/eli/reg\\_impl/2021/404/oj](http://data.europa.eu/eli/reg_impl/2021/404/oj)).

- (7) The United States notified the Commission of four outbreaks of HPAI in poultry in the states of Colorado, Florida, Nebraska and North Dakota, which were confirmed between 6 February 2024 and 9 February 2024 by laboratory analysis (RT-PCR).
- (8) Following these recent outbreaks of HPAI, the veterinary authorities of Canada, the United Kingdom and the United States established restricted zones of at least 10 km around the affected establishments and implemented a stamping-out policy to control the presence of HPAI and limit the spread of that disease.
- (9) Canada, the United Kingdom and the United States have submitted information to the Commission on the epidemiological situation on their territories and the measures taken to prevent the further spread of HPAI.
- (10) That information has been evaluated by the Commission. The Commission considers that, in view of the animal health situation in the areas under restrictions established by the veterinary authorities of Canada, the United Kingdom and the United States, the entry into the Union of consignments of poultry and germinal products of poultry, and of fresh meat of poultry and game birds from those areas should be suspended, in order to protect the animal health status of the Union.
- (11) In addition, Canada and the United States have provided updated information to the Commission in relation to the epidemiological situation on their territories as regards HPAI that gave rise to the suspension of the entry of certain products into the Union, as set out in Annexes V and XIV to Implementing Regulation (EU) 2021/404.
- (12) Canada has submitted updated information on the epidemiological situation in relation to seven outbreaks of HPAI in the provinces of Alberta (1), British Columbia (5) and Quebec (1), which were confirmed between 20 October 2023 and 3 January 2024 by laboratory analysis (RT-PCR).
- (13) The United States has submitted updated information on the epidemiological situation in relation to 16 outbreaks of HPAI in poultry establishments in the states of California (1), Kansas (1), Minnesota (8), Ohio (1), Pennsylvania (1), South Dakota (2) and Wisconsin (2), which were confirmed between 24 October 2023 and 27 December 2023.
- (14) Canada and the United States have also submitted information on the measures they have taken to prevent the further spread of HPAI. In particular, following the outbreaks of HPAI, Canada and the United States have implemented a stamping out policy in order to control and limit the spread of that disease, and also completed the requisite cleaning and disinfection following the implementation of the stamping out policy on the infected poultry establishments on their territories.
- (15) The Commission has evaluated the information submitted by Canada and the United States, and considers that they have provided appropriate guarantees that the animal health situation that gave rise to the suspension of the entry of consignments of certain products into the Union from the concerned zones in those third countries, as set out in Annexes V and XIV to Implementing Regulation (EU) 2021/404, no longer represents a threat to animal or public health within the Union, and that, consequently, the entry into the Union of those consignments from the concerned zones of Canada and the United States, from which entry into the Union had been suspended, should be reauthorised.
- (16) Annexes V and XIV to Implementing Regulation (EU) 2021/404 should, therefore, be amended to take account of the current epidemiological situation as regards HPAI in Canada and the United States.
- (17) Taking into account the current epidemiological situation in Canada, the United Kingdom and the United States as regards HPAI, and in order to avoid unnecessary disruption of trade with Canada and the United States, the amendments to be made to Annexes V and XIV to Implementing Regulation (EU) 2021/404 by this Regulation should take effect as a matter of urgency.
- (18) The measures provided for in this Regulation are in accordance with the opinion of the Standing Committee on Plants, Animals, Food and Feed,

HAS ADOPTED THIS REGULATION:

*Article 1*

Annexes V and XIV to Implementing Regulation (EU) 2021/404 are amended in accordance with the Annex to this Regulation.

*Article 2*

**Entry into force and applicability**

This Regulation shall enter into force on the day following that of its publication in the *Official Journal of the European Union*.

This Regulation shall be binding in its entirety and directly applicable in all Member States.

Done at Brussels, 22 February 2024.

*For the Commission*  
*The President*  
Ursula VON DER LEYEN

## ANNEX

Annexes V and XIV to Implementing Regulation (EU) 2021/404 are amended as follows:

(1) Annex V is amended as follows:

(a) in Part 1, Section B is amended as follows:

(i) in the entry for Canada, the row for the zone CA-2.197 is replaced by the following:

'CA Canada	CA-2.197	BPP, BPR, DOC, DOR, SP, SR, POU- LT20, HEP, HER, HE-LT20	N, P1		20.10.2023	16.2.2024'
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(ii) in the entry for Canada, the rows for the zones CA-2.199 and CA-2.200 are replaced by the following:

'CA Canada	CA-2.199	BPP, BPR, DOC, DOR, SP, SR, POU- LT20, HEP, HER, HE-LT20	N, P1		24.10.2023	16.2.2024
	CA-2.200		N, P1		25.10.2023	9.2.2024'

(iii) in the entry for Canada, the row for the zone CA-2.218 is replaced by the following:

'CA Canada	CA-2.218	BPP, BPR, DOC, DOR, SP, SR, POU- LT20, HEP, HER, HE-LT20	N, P1		17.11.2023	9.2.2024'
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(iv) in the entry for Canada, the row for the zone CA-2.220 is replaced by the following:

'CA Canada	CA-2.220	BPP, BPR, DOC, DOR, SP, SR, POU- LT20, HEP, HER, HE-LT20	N, P1		23.11.2023	16.2.2024'
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(v) in the entry for Canada, the row for the zone CA-2.227 is replaced by the following:

'CA Canada	CA-2.227	BPP, BPR, DOC, DOR, SP, SR, POU- LT20, HEP, HER, HE-LT20	N, P1		8.12.2023	9.2.2024'
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- (vi) in the entry for Canada, the row for the zone CA-2.229 is replaced by the following:

<b>'CA</b> Canada	CA-2.229	BPP, BPR, DOC, DOR, SP, SR, POU- LT20, HEP, HER, HE-LT20	N, P1		3.1.2024	9.2.2024'
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- (vii) in the entry for Canada, the following rows for zones CA-2.231 to CA-2.234 are added after the row for the zone CA-2.230:

<b>'CA</b> Canada	CA-2.231	BPP, BPR, DOC, DOR, SP, SR, POU- LT20, HEP, HER, HE-LT20	N, P1		30.1.2024	
	CA-2.232		N, P1		2.2.2024	
	CA-2.233		N, P1		9.2.2024	
	CA-2.234		N, P1		9.2.2024'	

- (viii) in the entry for the United Kingdom, the following row for the zone GB-2.328 is added after the row for the zone GB-2.327:

<b>'GB</b> United Kingdom	GB-2.328	BPP, BPR, DOC, DOR, SP, SR, POU- LT20, HEP, HER, HE-LT20	N, P1		14.2.2024'	
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- (ix) in the entry for the United States, the row for the zone US-2.474 is replaced by the following:

<b>'US</b> United States	US-2.474	BPP, BPR, DOC, DOR, SP, SR, POU- LT20, HEP, HER, HE-LT20	N, P1		24.10.2023	28.1.2024'
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- (x) in the entry for the United States, the row for the zone US-2.481 is replaced by the following:

<b>'US</b> United States	US-2.481	BPP, BPR, DOC, DOR, SP, SR, POU- LT20, HEP, HER, HE-LT20	N, P1		26.10.2023	11.2.2024'
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- (xi) in the entry for the United States, the row for the zone US-2.490 is replaced by the following:

<b>'US</b> United States	US-2.490	BPP, BPR, DOC, DOR, SP, SR, POU- LT20, HEP, HER, HE-LT20	N, P1		3.11.2023	13.2.2024'
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(xii) in the entry for the United States, the row for the zone US-2.506 is replaced by the following:

'US United States	US-2.506	BPP, BPR, DOC, DOR, SP, SR, POU- LT20, HEP, HER, HE-LT20	N, P1		14.11.2023	9.2.2024'
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(xiii) in the entry for the United States, the row for the zone US-2.517 is replaced by the following:

'US United States	US-2.517	BPP, BPR, DOC, DOR, SP, SR, POU- LT20, HEP, HER, HE-LT20	N, P1		17.11.2023	13.2.2024'
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(xiv) in the entry for the United States, the rows for the zones US-2.528 and US-2.529 are replaced by the following:

'US United States	US-2.528	BPP, BPR, DOC, DOR, SP, SR, POU- LT20, HEP, HER, HE-LT20	N, P1		21.10.2023	8.2.2024
	US-2.529		N, P1		21.10.2023	9.2.2024'

(xv) in the entry for the United States, the row for the zone US-2.533 is replaced by the following:

'US United States	US-2.533	BPP, BPR, DOC, DOR, SP, SR, POU- LT20, HEP, HER, HE-LT20	N, P1		23.11.2023	9.2.2024'
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(xvi) in the entry for the United States, the row for the zone US-2.537 is replaced by the following:

'US United States	US-2.537	BPP, BPR, DOC, DOR, SP, SR, POU- LT20, HEP, HER, HE-LT20	N, P1		21.11.2023	5.2.2024'
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(xvii) in the entry for the United States, the row for the zone US-2.541 is replaced by the following:

'US United States	US-2.541	BPP, BPR, DOC, DOR, SP, SR, POU- LT20, HEP, HER, HE-LT20	N, P1		27.11.2023	8.2.2024'
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(xviii) in the entry for the United States, the row for the zone US-2.543 is replaced by the following:

<b>US</b> United States	US-2.543	BPP, BPR, DOC, DOR, SP, SR, POU- LT20, HEP, HER, HE-LT20	N, P1		29.11.2023	6.2.2024'
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(xix) in the entry for the United States, the row for the zone US-2.551 is replaced by the following:

<b>US</b> United States	US-2.551	BPP, BPR, DOC, DOR, SP, SR, POU- LT20, HEP, HER, HE-LT20	N, P1		22.11.2023	10.2.2024'
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(xx) in the entry for the United States, the row for the zone US-2.553 is replaced by the following:

<b>US</b> United States	US-2.553	BPP, BPR, DOC, DOR, SP, SR, POU- LT20, HEP, HER, HE-LT20	N, P1		28.11.2023	10.2.2024'
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(xxi) in the entry for the United States, the row for the zone US-2.568 is replaced by the following:

<b>US</b> United States	US-2.568	BPP, BPR, DOC, DOR, SP, SR, POU- LT20, HEP, HER, HE-LT20	N, P1		6.12.2023	28.1.2024'
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(xxii) in the entry for the United States, the row for the zone US-2.576 is replaced by the following:

<b>US</b> United States	US-2.576	BPP, BPR, DOC, DOR, SP, SR, POU- LT20, HEP, HER, HE-LT20	N, P1		13.12.2023	10.2.2024'
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(xxiii) in the entry for the United States, the row for the zone US-2.599 is replaced by the following:

<b>US</b> United States	US-2.599	BPP, BPR, DOC, DOR, SP, SR, POU- LT20, HEP, HER, HE-LT20	N, P1		27.12.2023	12.2.2024'
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(xxiv) in the entry for the United States, the following rows for the zones US-2.622 to US-2.625 are added after the row for the zone US-2.621:

US United States	US-2.622	BPP, BPR, DOC, DOR, SP, SR, POU- LT20, HEP, HER, HE-LT20	N, P1	6.2.2024	
	US-2.623		N, P1	8.2.2024	
	US-2.624		N, P1	8.2.2024	
	US-2.625		N, P1	9.2.2024'	

(b) Part 2 is amended as follows:

(i) in the entry for Canada, the following descriptions of the zones CA-2.231 to CA-2.234 are added after the description for the zone CA-2.230:

Canada	CA-2.231	Ontario – Latitude 42.14, Longitude - 83.11 The municipalities involved are: 3 km PZ: Amherstburg 10 km SZ: Amherstburg, Essex, Harrow, LaSalle, Oldcastle, McGregor, and Tecumseh
	CA-2.232	Nova Scotia – Latitude 44.42, Longitude -64.54 The municipalities involved are: 3 km PZ: District of Lunenburg 10 km SZ: Bridgewater and the District of Lunenburg
	CA-2.233	Quebec – Latitude 45.77, Longitude -72.35 The municipalities involved are: 3 km PZ: Drummondville, Durham-Sud, L'Avenir, and Lefebvre 10 km SZ: Drummondville, Durham-Sud, L'Avenir, Lefebvre, Sainte-Christine, Saint-Théodore-d'Acton, Ulverton, and Wickham
	CA-2.234	Alberta – Latitude 53.37, Longitude -110.88 The municipalities involved are: 3 km PZ: Vermillion 10 km SZ: Claysmore and Vermillion'

(ii) in the entry for the United Kingdom, the following description of the zone GB-2.328 is added after the description of the zone GB-2.237:

United Kingdom	GB-2.238	near Hutton Cranswick, East Yorkshire, Yorkshire, England, GB The area contained within a circle of a radius of 10 km, centred on WGS84 dec, coordinates Lat: N53.93 and Long: W0.34'
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(iii) in the entry for the United States, the following descriptions of the zones US-2.622 to US-2.625 are added after the description of the zone US-2.621:

‘United States	US-2.622	State of Nebraska Gage 01 Gage County: A circular zone of a 10 km radius starting with North point (GPS coordinates: 96.5274845°W 40.4533441°N)
	US-2.623	State of Colorado Delta 01 Delta County: A circular zone of a 10 km radius starting with North point (GPS coordinates: 107.9818167°W 38.7723165°N)
	US-2.624	State of Florida Miami-Dade 02 Miami-Dade County: A circular zone of a 10 km radius starting with North point (GPS coordinates: 80.4620989°W 25.7005314°N)
	US-2.625	State of North Carolina Lenoir 01 Lenoir County: A circular zone of a 10 km radius starting with North point (GPS coordinates: 77.7818824°W 35.2876747°N)

(2) in Annex XIV, in Part 1, Section B is amended as follows:

(a) in the entry for Canada, the rows for the zone CA-2.197 are replaced by the following:

‘CA Canada	CA-2.197	POU, RAT	N, P1		20.10.2023	16.2.2024
		GBM	P1		20.10.2023	16.2.2024’

(b) in the entry for Canada, the rows for the zones CA-2.199 and CA-2.200 are replaced by the following:

‘CA Canada	CA-2.199	POU, RAT	N, P1		24.10.2023	16.2.2024
		GBM	P1		24.10.2023	16.2.2024
	CA-2.200	POU, RAT	N, P1		25.10.2023	9.2.2024
		GBM	P1		25.10.2023	9.2.2024’

(c) in the entry for Canada, the rows for the zone CA-2.218 are replaced by the following:

‘CA Canada	CA-2.218	POU, RAT	N, P1		17.11.2023	9.2.2024
		GBM	P1		17.11.2023	9.2.2024’

(d) in the entry for Canada, the rows for the zone CA-2.220 are replaced by the following:

‘CA Canada	CA-2.220	POU, RAT	N, P1		23.11.2023	16.2.2024
		GBM	P1		23.11.2023	16.2.2024’

- (e) in the entry for Canada, the rows for the zone CA-2.227 are replaced by the following:

'CA Canada	CA-2.227	POU, RAT	N, P1		8.12.2023	9.2.2024
		GBM	P1		8.12.2023	9.2.2024'

- (f) in the entry for Canada, the rows for the zone CA-2.229 are replaced by the following:

'CA Canada	CA-2.229	POU, RAT	N, P1		3.1.2024	9.2.2024
		GBM	P1		3.1.2024	9.2.2024'

- (g) in the entry for Canada, the following rows for zones CA-2.231 to CA-2.231 are added after the rows for the zone CA-2.230:

'CA Canada	CA-2.231	POU, RAT	N, P1		30.1.2024	
		GBM	P1		30.1.2024	
	CA-2.232	POU, RAT	N, P1		2.2.2024	
		GBM	P1		2.2.2024	
	CA-2.233	POU, RAT	N, P1		9.2.2024	
		GBM	P1		9.2.2024	
	CA-2.234	POU, RAT	N, P1		9.2.2024	
		GBM	P1		9.2.2024'	

- (h) in the entry for the United Kingdom, the following rows for the zone GB-2.328 are added after the rows for the zone GB-2.327:

'GB United Kingdom	GB-2.328	POU, RAT	N, P1		14.2.2024	
		GBM	P1		14.2.2024'	

- (i) in the entry for the United States, the rows for the zone US-2.474 are replaced by the following:

'US United States	US-2.474	POU, RAT	N, P1		24.10.2023	28.1.2024
		GBM	P1		24.10.2023	28.1.2024'

- (j) in the entry for the United States, the rows for the zone US-2.481 are replaced by the following:

'US United States	US-2.481	POU, RAT	N, P1		26.10.2023	11.2.2024
		GBM	P1		26.10.2023	11.2.2024'

(k) in the entry for the United States, the rows for the zone US-2.490 are replaced by the following:

<b>US</b> United States	US-2.490	POU, RAT	N, P1		3.11.2023	13.2.2024
		GBM	P1		3.11.2023	13.2.2024'

(l) in the entry for the United States, the rows for the zone US-2.506 are replaced by the following:

<b>US</b> United States	US-2.506	POU, RAT	N, P1		14.11.2023	9.2.2024
		GBM	P1		14.11.2023	9.2.2024'

(m) in the entry for the United States, the rows for the zone US-2.517 are replaced by the following:

<b>US</b> United States	US-2.517	POU, RAT	N, P1		17.11.2023	13.2.2024
		GBM	P1		17.11.2023	13.2.2024'

(n) in the entry for the United States, the rows for the zones US-2.528 and US-2.529 are replaced by the following:

<b>US</b> United States	US-2.528	POU, RAT	N, P1		21.10.2023	8.2.2024
		GBM	P1		21.10.2023	8.2.2024
	US-2.529	POU, RAT	N, P1		21.10.2023	9.2.2024
		GBM	P1		21.10.2023	9.2.2024'

(o) in the entry for the United States, the rows for the zone US-2.533 are replaced by the following:

<b>US</b> United States	US-2.533	POU, RAT	N, P1		23.11.2023	9.2.2024
		GBM	P1		23.11.2023	9.2.2024'

(p) in the entry for the United States, the rows for the zone US-2.537 are replaced by the following:

<b>US</b> United States	US-2.537	POU, RAT	N, P1		21.11.2023	5.2.2024
		GBM	P1		21.11.2023	5.2.2024'

(q) in the entry for the United States, the rows for the zone US-2.541 are replaced by the following:

‘US United States	US-2.541	POU, RAT	N, P1		27.11.2023	8.2.2024
		GBM	P1		27.11.2023	8.2.2024’

(r) in the entry for the United States, the rows for the zone US-2.543 are replaced by the following:

‘US United States	US-2.543	POU, RAT	N, P1		29.11.2023	6.2.2024
		GBM	P1		29.11.2023	6.2.2024’

(s) in the entry for the United States, the rows for the zone US-2.551 are replaced by the following:

‘US United States	US-2.551	POU, RAT	N, P1		22.11.2023	10.2.2024
		GBM	P1		22.11.2023	10.2.2024’

(t) in the entry for the United States, the rows for the zone US-2.553 are replaced by the following:

‘US United States	US-2.553	POU, RAT	N, P1		28.11.2023	10.2.2024
		GBM	P1		28.11.2023	10.2.2024’

(u) in the entry for the United States, the rows for the zone US-2.568 are replaced by the following:

‘US United States	US-2.568	POU, RAT	N, P1		6.12.2023	28.1.2024
		GBM	P1		6.12.2023	28.1.2024’

(v) in the entry for the United States, the rows for the zone US-2.576 are replaced by the following:

‘US United States	US-2.576	POU, RAT	N, P1		13.12.2023	10.2.2024
		GBM	P1		13.12.2023	10.2.2024’

(w) in the entry for the United States, the rows for the zone US-2.599 are replaced by the following:

‘US United States	US-2.599	POU, RAT	N, P1		27.12.2023	12.2.2024
		GBM	P1		27.12.2023	12.2.2024’

(x) in the entry for the United States, the following rows for the zones US-2.622to US-2.625 are added after the rows for the zone US-2.621:

‘US United States	US-2.622	POU, RAT	N, P1		6.2.2024	
		GBM	P1		6.2.2024	
	US-2.623	POU, RAT	N, P1		8.2.2024	
		GBM	P1		8.2.2024	
	US-2.624	POU, RAT	N, P1		8.2.2024	
		GBM	P1		8.2.2024	
	US-2.625	POU, RAT	N, P1		9.2.2024	
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