

Member experience on Implementing Border inspection and Animal quarantine VIET NAM

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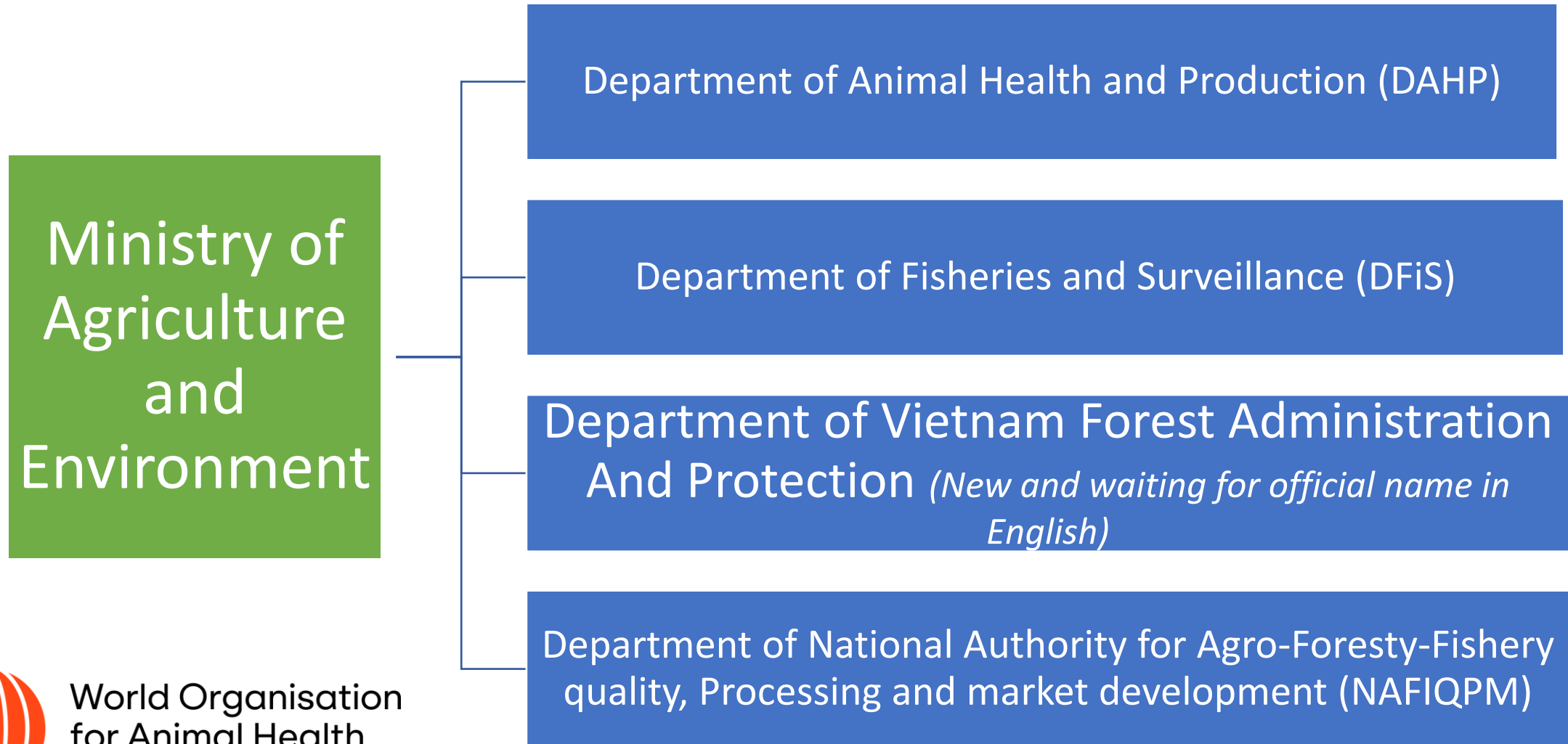
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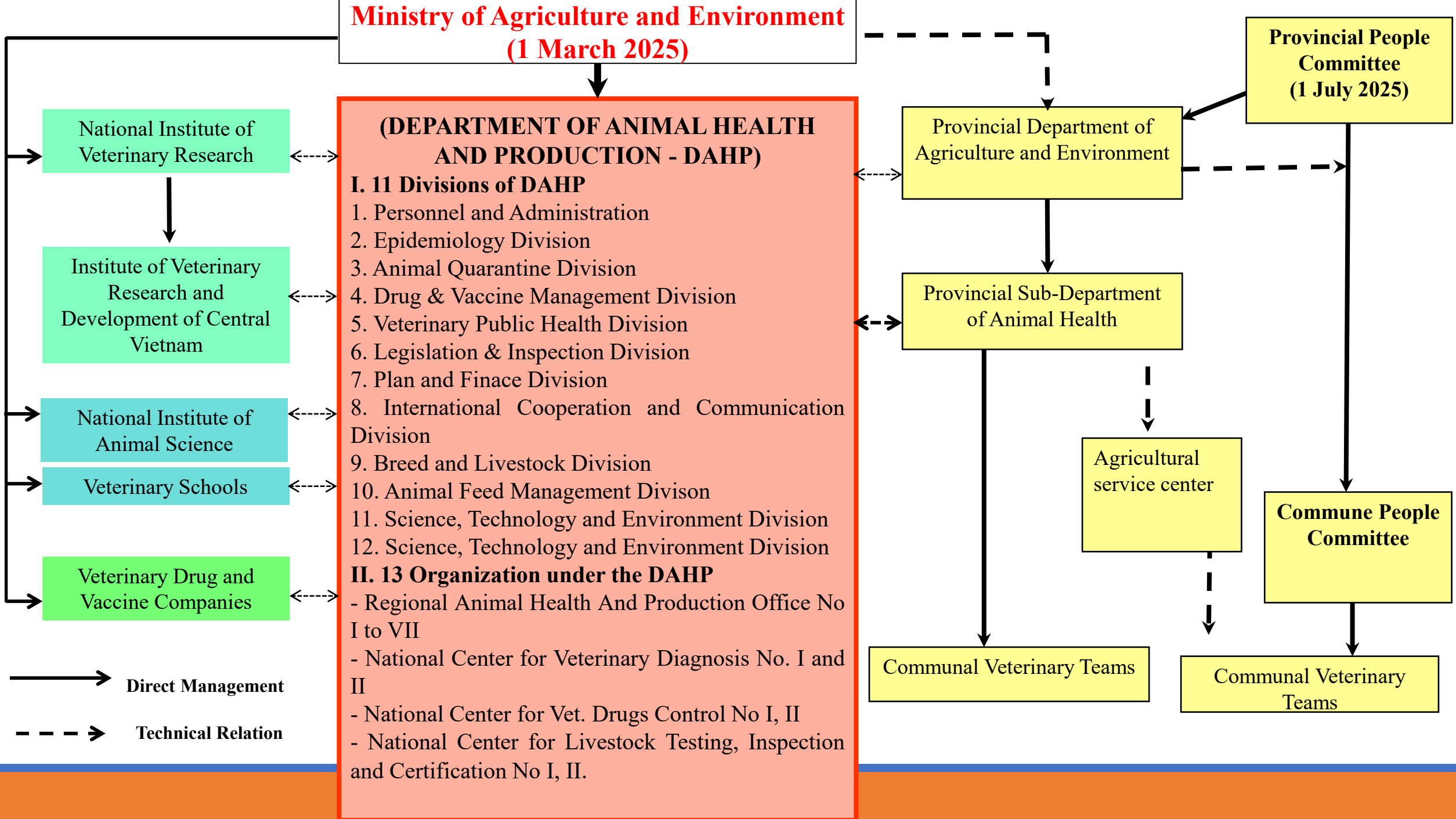
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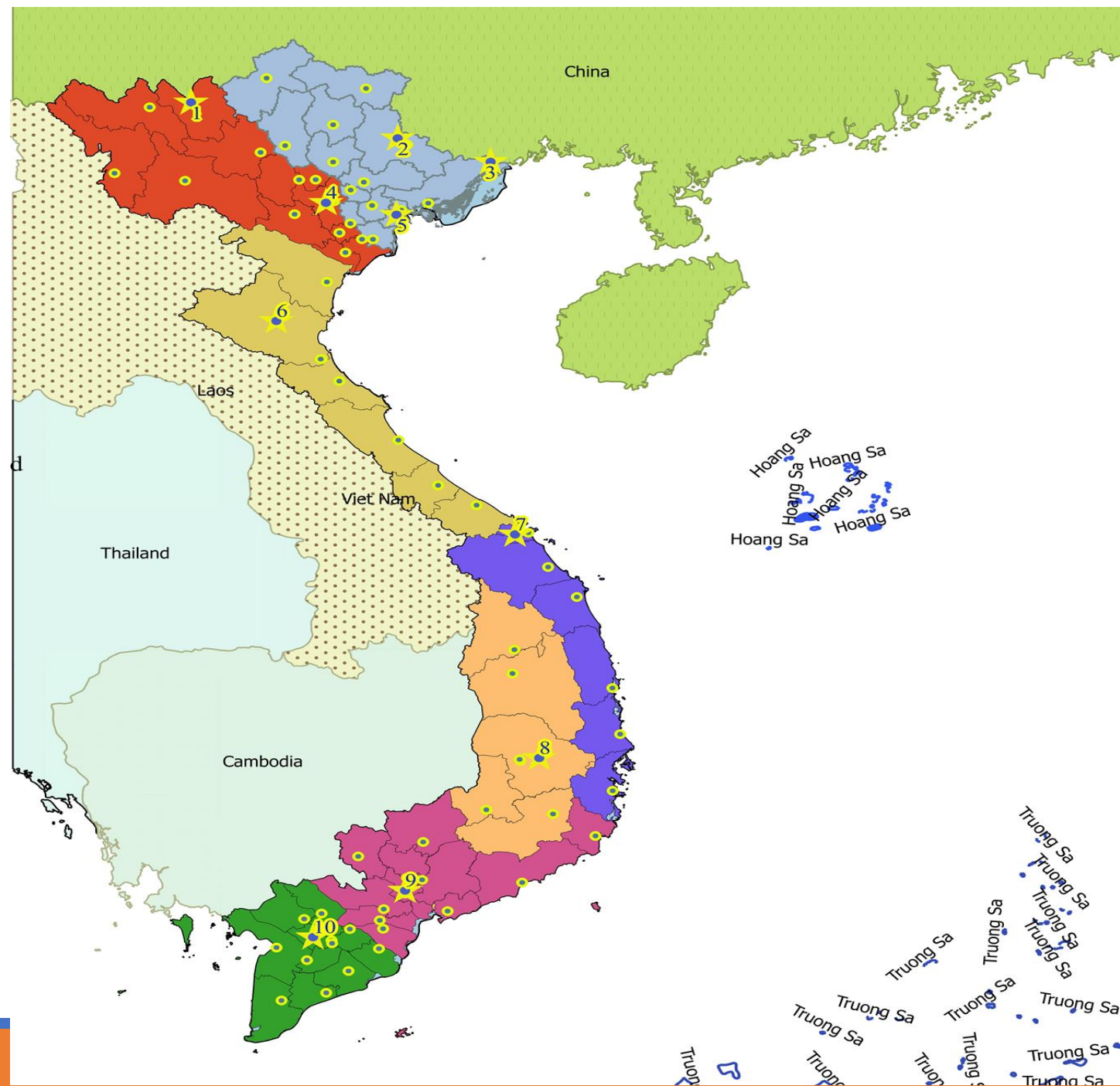
Animal and animal productions import and export structure



Agency	Import Activities	Export Activities
Department of Animal Health and Production	Quarantine: All purpose	Quarantine: 1. Live aquatic animal, aquatic animal productions (non-food Purpose) 2. Terrestrial animal and their products
Department of Fisheries and Surveillance (DFiS)	Species approval (list), invasive species control	1. Disease free establishments; 2. Disease surveillance programs
Department of National Authority for Agro-Forestry-Fishery quality, Processing and market development		Quarantine: Live aquatic animal, aquatic animal productions (food Purpose)
Department of Forestry and Forest Ranger	Wildlife origin, CITES permits	CITES export licenses







Organisational Structure for Veterinary Inspection at the Border Post

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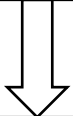
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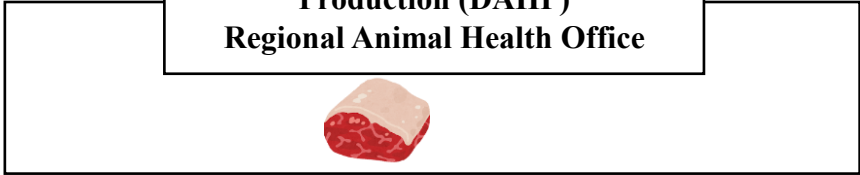
**Department of Quality, Processing and
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Regional Animal Health Office**



	Commodity	Document Check	Quarantine Isolation	Clinical Examination	Serological Test	Pathogen Detection (e.g. PCR)	Other Tests(e.g. visual, chemical)	Responsible Authority
	Livestock (e.g. cattle, pigs)	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	Regional Animal Health Office (AQS)
	Companion animals (e.g. dogs, cats)	Yes	Yes (Breeding)/ No (Pet)	Yes	No (Needing Document of Owner)	No	No	Regional Animal Health Office (AQS)
	Products of animal origin (e.g. meat, eggs)	Yes	Yes	N/A	N/A	Yes	No	Regional Animal Health Office (AQS)
	Animal generic materials (e.g. semen, embryo)	Yes	No	N/A	N/A	No	No	Regional Animal Health Office (AQS)
	Aquatic	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	Yes	No	Regional Animal Health Office (AQS)
	Passenger luggage	No	N/A	No	N/A	No	No	

Current Situation and Key Issues

- Top 3 Animals with the highest **import** volume:
 - One day of chicken (Breeding)
 - Pigs (Breeding)
 - Shrimps (Breeding) and aquarium fishes
- Top 3 **Animal Products** with the highest import volume
 - Chicken meat
 - Swine meat
 - Bovine meat

Good Practices in Border Inspection and Quarantine

- Please describe effective practices and experiences in implementing border inspection and quarantine measures.
 - Successful approaches or innovations
 - **Checking document carefully:** HC include origin, disease status (free status: FMD, ASF, AI, AHPND, WSD, IHHND,...), detail of based on Agreement between Countries
 - **Apply high technology:** Online registration, Using digital HC, PR code
 - **Follow the regulation on:** *Checking the situation of goods, sanitary, sampling and test.*
 - Good Collaborate and sharing information with: *Department of Fisheries and surveillance, Department of Forestry, Department of Quality, Processing and market development, Custom, Border Guard, Public Health.*

Good Practices in Border Inspection and Quarantine

- Lessons learned from past experiences
 - Check careful HC (Form, certification content...)
 - Inspecting clinical of animal, situation of animal products by Vet they had experiences to see abnormal of animal and animal products.
 - Combination with Customs and border Police to prevent illegal transport animal and animal products.
- Replicable models for other countries/territories
 - If a country had outbreak with dangerous infectious disease:*
 - Suspend the Issuance of quarantine certificate (Animal health Law 2015).
 - *They must ban to inspect and stop make the HC for movement in their country and export.*
 - *Announcing to other countries they import animal and animal products from them.*

Challenges and risks identified

- **Resource limitations**

- ***Human resource:*** Limited in number and qualifications. The legal awareness and educational level of ethnic minorities in border areas remains low, staff.
- ***The border is very long with another countries*** (4.616km land border line, 3.260 Coastal line): Lao, Cambodia, China.
- ***Financial resources and supporting facilities:***
 - Lack of funding for implementing post-import scientific monitoring programs and software to support quarantine operations;
 - Lack of funding for building border fences.
 - Some areas lack baggage screening machines (informal border crossing path), sniffer dogs, ...; animal quarantine facilities depend on the establishment owners.

Challenges and risks identified

- **Risk of transboundary animal diseases**
 - Fraud in the illegal transport of animals and animal products
 - Many animals are in the incubation period or have recently been exposed to pathogens, reducing the effectiveness of disease control at borders
 - Lack of disease information, especially regarding newly emerging diseases, if not notified by the competent authority of the exporting country (ex.: EMS/AHPND, TPD, DIV1 on shrimp ...)
 - Wild animals cannot be controlled (no fences/barriers in some area), so diseases may be transmitted.
- **Informal/illegal movement**
 - illegal transport animal and animal products are sometime happen

Collaboration with other agencies

- Collaboration between animal quarantine and other relevant agencies for effective border control.
 - **Purpose** of Collaboration
 - Strictly control, promptly **detect and prevent** transboundary transmission of **animal diseases**
 - Control the **transport** of animals and animal products in **accordance with legal regulations**
 - **Prevent illegal activities** in the transport of animals and animal products across the border
 - **Inspection and supervision work does not stop** at peak periods. It must be maintained regularly and **continuously**.
 - **The peoples** live at area **border** if **seeing an illegal** movement they **should announce to animal quarantine**, police.
 - Ensure **food safety**.

Collaboration with other agencies

. Key Partners

- **Customs**: they check all of luggages, means of transport...
- **Border police**: they check and arrest of people if they move the baned animal and products.
- **Media, express** agency usually regularly publish legal regulations (veterinary law, Customs law...) to the peoples.
- **Provincial People's Committees** of border provinces (Departments of Agriculture and Environment, Police ..): Coordinate in the prevention and control of smuggling of animals and animal products; raise awareness among local people and businesses about relevant regulations
- **Local people**: Provide information, support, and coordinate in the prevention of illegal cross-border transport of animals and animal products.

. Examples of Joint Activities

The **National Steering Committee on Anti-Smuggling**, Trade Fraud and Counterfeit Goods was established by the Prime Minister (*Decision No. 389/QĐ-TTg dated March 19, 2014, including animals and animal products, Deputy Prime minister – Leader, Minister of MAE- Member*).

- A continuous inter-agency coordination and direction mechanism is in place, operating from the central to local levels to prevent smuggling, trade fraud, and counterfeit goods.
- The activities are carried out on an ongoing basis, with peak action months organized annually.
- **The role of the DAHP**: directly participate in peak campaigns, conducting inspections at border gates and key areas related to the transport of smuggled, counterfeit, or unidentified-origin animals and animal products.

. Benefits

- Strengthened leadership and inter-agency coordination: mobilizing inter-agency forces including police, customs, border guards, veterinary authorities, market surveillance, agriculture officials
- Enhance the effectiveness of preventing and controlling transboundary disease transmission while ensuring food safety.
- The coordination is carried out continuously, clearly, proactively, and with well-defined responsibilities among all relevant parties.

Thank you

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