

UNITED STATES ANIMAL HEALTH ASSOCIATION 2012 Resolution

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RESOLUTION NUMBER: 28 APPROVED AS AMENDED

SOURCE: COMMITTEE ON TRANSMISSIBLE DISEASES OF

POULTRY AND OTHER AVIAN SPECIES

SUBJECT MATTER: SUPPORT FOR FOREIGN AND EMERGING ANIMAL

DISEASE FUNDING

BACKGROUND INFORMATION:

The United States Department of Homeland Security (DHS) has become a major source of funding for both basic and applied research on foreign animal diseases, supports two Centers for Excellence (Kansas State University and Texas A&M University), and owns and operates the Plum Island Animal Disease Center. The DHS support has provided for useful advances in diagnostic tests and vaccines for several important foreign animal diseases. This funding has been applied primarily to mammalian diseases with limited support for diseases of poultry.

RESOLUTION:

The United States Animal Health Association urges that the United States Department of Homeland Security support funding for avian influenza vaccine projects.