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Dear Mrs Hafner,

Thank you for your email of 21 July 2009 in which you requested information on the space allowances for the transport of horses.

Concerning the calculation of journey time in connection with the minimum space for young horses, indeed I confirm that when Chapter VII of Annex I refers to "journeys over 48 hours" the time that animals are resting at a control post needs to be included. As you stated in your letter, this conclusion stemmed from the definition of *journey* laid down in Regulation (EC) No 1/2005.

As regards your second question on the floor area required for young horses, certainly the space allowances are minimum measurements concerning both length and width.

I hope this information is useful for you.

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