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Algeria

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H7N1 Found In Migratory Birds

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Report Highlights:

Algeria reports an outbreak of H7N1 in Migratory Birds.

General Information:

Dr. Karim Boughalem, Director of Veterinary Services in Algeria notified the OIE on November 3, 2016, of the discovery of the highly pathogenic bird flu, H7N1 outbreak. The outbreak is reported to have affected 892 migratory birds of different species (ruddy shelduck, marbled teal, mallard ducks and water hens) found dead in the Sabkhat el Malah, wetland near El Menia in the wilaya of Ghardaia. According to the Ministry of Agriculture, measures have been implemented including traceability, sanitary slaughtering, official disposal of carcasses, by-products and waste as well as surveillance in the containment and or the protection zone. Thus far there has been no reported impact on human health.