

# United States Department of Agriculture Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service

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### **Inspection Report**

SmartLynx Airlines Malta Ltd. 1200 New Hampshire NW, Ste410 Washington, DC 20036 Customer ID: 6022047

Certificate: 10-T-0028

Site: IAH

IAH Airport

Type: ROUTINE INSPECTION

Date: 08-JUL-2025

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#### Primary conveyances (motor vehicle, rail, air, and marine).

The Transporter failed to position the primary enclosures in a manner that allows quick and easy access to the nonhuman primates in an emergency. The primary enclosures used to transport the nonhuman primates were made of wood and each enclosure had either one or three dividers that created space for two or four individual holding areas. The enclosures were positioned in the primary conveyance (airplane) on five pallets. Each pallet contained two layers of enclosures stacked two enclosures wide and seven enclosures deep. Each layer was wrapped in plastic below the ventilation areas and then all of the enclosures were covered with a cargo net that was securely attached to the pallet. Stacking the enclosures in this method makes visualization of any of the animals, on the lower layer and toward the middle of the pallet, impossible. If there was an emergency involving one of these animals, the only way to gain access to that animal would be to first unsecure and remove the cargo net and then remove the plastic wrap around all of the enclosures before unstacking and removing all of the surrounding enclosures. Once the appropriate enclosure was identified and separated, the screws, that attach the cover to the enclosure, would need to be removed before access to that animal could be granted. Positioning the enclosures in other methods, such as single layer pallets, would increase the speed and ease of access to the animals.

Failure to position primary enclosures properly can increase the time and effort needed to access these animals in case of emergency and potentially lead to delays that could affect the health and well-being of the animal.

Primary enclosures must be positioned in the primary conveyance in a manner that allows the nonhuman primates to be quickly and easily removed from the primary conveyance in an emergency.

No adult was present to conduct the exit interview with.

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## **Species Inspected**

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Count **Scientific Name Common Name** 000500

Macaca fascicularis CRAB-EATING MACAQUE / CYNOMOLGUS MONKEY

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