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COUNCIL

COUNCIL DECISION

of 17 April 1973

relating to measures against foot and mouth disease

(73/89/EEC)

THE COUNCIL OF THE EUROPEAN COMMUNITIES,

Having regard to the Treaty establishing the European Economic Community, and in particular Article 43 thereof ;

Having regard to the proposal from the Commission ;

Having regard to the Opinion of the European Parliament ;

Whereas an epidemic of foot and mouth disease, caused by a virus foreign to the European Economic Community, has affected certain areas of south-eastern Europe and is still affecting Turkey ; whereas this epidemic, as long as is not totally eradicated, endangers livestock in the Community ; whereas the third countries concerned should therefore be helped to implement the measures necessary both to eradicate totally the epidemic which has already broken out and to prevent its recurrence, the achievement of such an objective being possible by the establishment of buffer zones to prevent the disease from spreading ;

HAS ADOPTED THIS DECISION :

Article 1

The Community shall contribute the sum of 600 000 units of account towards the campaign undertaken in Greece and Turkey against the foreign strain of foot and mouth disease.

Article 2

The Commission shall be responsible for supervising the use of the moneys referred to in Article 1, and shall report to the Council on the implementation of this Decision.

Article 3

This Decision is addressed to the Member States.

Done at Luxembourg, 17 April 1973.

For the Council

The President

A. LAVENS