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COMMISSION

COMMISSION DECISION

of 2 May 1979

supplementing, by the addition of Spain, the list of third countries from which Member States authorize imports of bovine animals, swine and fresh meat

(79/559/EEC)

THE COMMISSION OF THE EUROPEAN COMMUNITIES,

Having regard to the Treaty establishing the European Economic Community,

Having regard to Council Directive 72/462/EEC of 12 December 1972 on health and veterinary inspection problems upon importation of bovine animals and swine and fresh meat from third countries (1), as last amended by Directive 77/98/EEC (2), and in particular Article 3 thereof,

Whereas in order to decide in respect both of these animals and of fresh meat whether a country or part of a country may be included in the list, particular account is taken of the criteria set out in Article 3 (2) of Directive 72/462/EEC;

Whereas Spain may be considered to satisfy these criteria for fresh meat of bovine animals, sheep and goats; whereas it is necessary to supplement, by the addition of Spain, and as regards the abovementioned categories of fresh meat, the list referred to in Article 3 (1) of Directive 72/462/EEC adopted by the Council and contained in the Annex to its Decision of 21 December 1976 drawing up a list of third countries from which the Member States authorize imports of bovine animals, swine and fresh meat;

Whereas other measures concerning animal health inspection remain to be taken;

Whereas the measures provided for in this Decision are in accordance with the opinion of the Standing Veterinary Committee,

HAS ADOPTED THIS DECISION:

Article 1

Without prejudice to Directive 72/462/EEC and in particular any measures which may have to be taken under the procedure provided for in Article 29 of that Directive, the list of countries from which Member States authorize importation of bovine animals, swine and fresh meat contained in the Council Decision of 21 December 1976 shall be supplemented by the addition of Spain as regards fresh meat of bovine animals, sheep and goats.

Article 2

This Decision is addressed to the Member States.

Done at Brussels, 2 May 1979.

For the Commission

Finn GUNDELACH

Vice-President

(1) OJ No L 302, 31. 12. 1972, p. 28.
(2) OJ No L 26, 31. 1. 1977, p. 81.