COUNCIL DECISION

of 19 June 1979

amending Fifth Decision 76/539/EEC on the equivalence of seed produced in third countries

(79/579/EEC)

THE COUNCIL OF THE EUROPEAN COMMUNITIES,

Having regard to the Treaty establishing the European Economic Community,

Having regard to Council Directive 66/402/EEC of 14 June 1966 on the marketing of cereal seed (1), as last amended by Directive 78/1020/EEC (2), and in particular Article 16 (1) (b) thereof,

Having regard to the proposal from the Commission,

Whereas by Decision 76/539/EEC (3), as amended by Decesion 79/235/EEC (4), the Council declared that seed of certain species produced in 22 third countries is equivalent to corresponding seed produced in the Community;

Whereas for certain species this declaration of equivalence relates also to Israel;

Whereas an examination of the rules of the abovementioned country and of the manner in which they are applied has shown for cereals, except rye, canary seed and rice, that the conditions governing seed harvested and controlled in this country afford the same assurances as regards the seeds' characteristics, identity, examination, marking and control as the conditions applicable to seed harvested and controlled within the Community;

Whereas the equivalence granted to Israel should be extended to cereals,

HAS ADOPTED THIS DECISION:

Article 1

In the table in the Annex to Decision 76/539/EEC, Reference No 4 shall be supplemented by the text set out in the Annex to this Decision.

Article 2

This Decision is addressed to the Member States.

Done at Luxembourg, 19 June 1979.

For the Council

The President

P. MEHAIGNERIE

(1) OJ No 125, 11. 7. 1966, p. 2309/66.
(2) OJ No L 350, 14. 12. 1978, p. 27.
(3) OJ No L 162, 23. 6. 1976, p. 10.
(4) OJ No L 52, 2. 3. 1979, p. 15.

ANNEX

Reference No	Country	Authority	Species	Categories		Special conditions
				in the country	in the Community	
1	2	3	4	5	6	7
4	Israel (IL)	Seed and Nursery Stock Inspection Service	Cereals, except rye, canary seed, rice and maize	— Basic seed	— Basic seed	1, 3, 5, 8, 9, 10
				— Certified seed, 1st generation	— Certified seed, 1st generation	1, 3, 4, a), 5, 8, 9, 10
				— Certified seed, 2nd generation	— Certified seed, 2nd generation	1, 3, 4 a), 5, 8, 9, 10
			Maize	— Basic seed	— Basic seed	1, 3, 5, 8, 9, 10
				— Certified seed	— Certified seed	1, 3, 4 a), 5, 8, 9, 10