COMMISSION DECISION

of 21 April 1983

amending Decision 82/827/EEC concerning certain measures of protection against classical swine fever

(83/217/EEC)

THE COMMISSION OF THE EUROPEAN COMMUNITIES,

Having regard to the Treaty establishing the European Economic Community,

Having regard to Council Directive 64/432/EEC of 26 June 1964 on animal health problems affecting intra-Community trade in bovine animals and swine [1], as last amended by Directive 82/893/EEC [2], and in particular Article 9 thereof,

Whereas following the epizootic of classical swine fever which has occurred in a defined area of the Netherlands, the Commission has taken Decision 82/827/EEC of 24 November 1982 [3] concerning certain measures of protection against classical swine fever;

Whereas since then, the persistence of the disease and its spread outside the original area has led to an increased risk of dispersion, in relation to trade in pigs;

Whereas, in consequence, other Member States have adopted their own measures of protection for a limited period of time until the situation is clarified;

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

Commission Decision 82/827/EEC of 24 November 1982 is hereby amended as follows:

1. Article 1 is replaced by the following Article:

'Article 1

Member States shall forbid the introduction into their territory of live pigs intended for breeding or fattening coming from the following areas of the Netherlands:

Provinces of North Brabant and Limbourg.'

2. In Article 2, the date '24 November 1982' is replaced by '21 April 1983'.

3. The following Article 3a is added:

'Article 3a

This Decision is applicable until 19 May 1983.'

Article 2

This Decision is addressed to the Member States.

Done at Brussels, 21 April 1983.

For the Commission

Poul DALSAGER

Member of the Commission

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[1] OJ No 121, 29. 7. 1964, p. 1977/64.
[2] OJ No L 378, 31. 12. 1982, p. 57.
[3] OJ No L 347, 7. 12. 1982, p. 25.