COMMISSION DECISION

of 9 December 1983

prolonging and temporarily suspending the status of certain parts of the territory of the Federal Republic of Germany with regard to classical swine fever

(83/633/EEC)

THE COMMISSION OF THE EUROPEAN COMMUNITIES,

Having regard to the Treaty establishing the European Economic Community,

Having regard to Council Directive 72/461/EEC of 12 December 1972 on health problems affecting intra-Community trade in fresh meat (1), as last amended by Directive 82/893/EEC (2), and in particular Article 13a (2) thereof,

Whereas Council Decision 82/838/EEC of 3 December 1982 (3) recognizes certain parts of the territory of the Federal Republic of Germany as being either officially swine-fever-free or swine-fever-free ;

Whereas outbreaks of classical swine fever have been recorded in some of the parts of the territory of the Federal Republic of Germany referred to in Annex II to Decision 82/838/EEC ;

Whereas by Decision 83/593/EEC (4) the Commission has suspended for a period of 15 days the status of freedom from swine fever of affected parts of German territory ;

Whereas, taking account of the epidemiological evolution of the disease, it is necessary to prolong this period of suspension for certain regions beyond the 15 days provided for initially in order to clarify the situation ;

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

The status of those parts of the territory of the Federal Republic of Germany constituted by the regions set out in the Annex to this Decision, as areas recognized to be swine-fever-free within the meaning of Article 13a (2) of Directive 72/461/EEC is temporarily suspended for the regions listed in the Annex to this Decision.

Article 2

The Commission will follow developments in the situation with a view to taking appropriate decisions in respect of such developments.

Article 3

This Decision is addressed to the Member States.

Done at Brussels, 9 December 1983.

For the Commission

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Member of the Commission

(1) OJ No L 302, 31. 12. 1972, p. 24.
(2) OJ No L 378, 31. 12. 1982, p. 57.
(3) OJ No L 352, 14. 12. 1982, p. 27.
(4) OJ No L 338, 3. 12. 1983, p. 34.

ANNEX

Regions of the Federal Republic of Germany for which the swine-fever-free status is suspended

The administrative district of Weser-Ems.