COMMISSION DECISION

of 16 March 1984

amending for the fifth time Decision 83/453/EEC concerning certain measures of protection against classical swine fever

(84/172/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 83/646/EEC (2), and in particular Article 9 thereof,

Whereas, following the outbreak of classical swine fever which occurred successively in several Member States, the Council adopted, on 31 August 1983, under Decision 83/453/EEC (3), certain protection measures against classical swine fever, to be applied for various periods depending on the risk of the spread of the disease;

Whereas, as a result of the spread of the disease, the Commission, by Decisions 83/511/EEC (4), 83/632/EEC (5), 84/9/EEC (6) and 84/98/EEC (7), extended the area to which the measures applied for intra-Community trade in live pigs;

Whereas the persistence and the increase in the number of new outbreaks in certain parts of the territory has led to the creation of new zones of emergency vaccination and necessitate the extension of these parts of the territory of measures to be applied in trade of live pigs;

Whereas, certain Member States have already taken protective measures in this regard; whereas it is necessary that other Member States adopt appropriate protective measures;

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

Decision 83/453/EEC is hereby amended as follows:

1. The wording in Article 3 is replaced by the following:

   'Animals conforming to Decision 83/453/EEC, as last amended by Commission Decision 84/172/EEC of 16 March 1984.'

2. The zones relating to the Kingdom of the Netherlands outlined in the Annex are replaced by the following zones:

   'The parts of the Province of Gueldre, of North Brabant, of Limburg and of Overijssel where vaccination has been carried out; for the rest of the territory a zone of five-kilometre radius around all outbreaks of classical swine fever.'

Article 2

The Member States shall amend the measures they apply to trade so that they comply with this Decision. They shall immediately inform the Commission thereof.

Article 3

This Decision is addressed to the Member States.

Done at Brussels, 16 March 1984.

For the Commission

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Member of the Commission

(1) OJ No 121, 29. 7. 1964, p. 1977/64.
(2) OJ No L 360, 23. 12. 1983, p. 44.
(3) OJ No L 249, 9. 9. 1983, p. 28.
(4) OJ No L 285, 18. 10. 1983, p. 22.
(5) OJ No L 355, 17. 12. 1983, p. 48.
(6) OJ No L 11, 14. 1. 1984, p. 31.
(7) OJ No L 51, 22. 2. 1984, p. 23.