COMMISSION DECISION

of 22 May 1985

amending for the fourth time Decision 85/163/EEC on certain protective measures against foot-and-mouth disease in Italy

(85/299/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 84/644/EEC (2), and in particular Article 9 thereof,

Having regard to Council Directive 72/461/EEC of 12 December 1972 on health problems affecting intra-Community trade in fresh meat (3), as last amended by Directive 84/643/EEC (4), and in particular Article 8 thereof,

Having regard to Council Directive 80/215/EEC of 22 January 1980 on health problems affecting intra-Community trade in meat products (5), as last amended by Directive 81/476/EEC (6), and in particular Article 7 thereof,

Whereas an outbreak of foot-and-mouth disease has occurred in Italy; whereas that outbreak is such as to constitute a danger to the livestock of the other Member States, owing to the large volume of trade both in animals and fresh meat and in certain meat-based products;

Whereas, following that outbreak of foot-and-mouth disease the Commission adopted several decisions, particularly Decision 85/163/EEC of 6 February 1985 on certain protective measures against foot-and-mouth disease in Italy (7);

Whereas the outbreaks have, as a result of the measures introduced and the action taken by the Italian authorities, in particular as regards vaccination against foot-and-mouth disease, been confined to certain parts of Italy's territory;

Whereas it seems necessary to amend the scope of the restrictive measures to take account of the development of the disease and of measures carried out locally by the Italian authorities;

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 85/163/EEC is hereby amended as follows:

1. In Article 1 (2), '8 May 1985' is replaced by '22 May 1985'.
2. In Article 2 (3), '8 May 1985' is replaced by '22 May 1985'.
3. In Article 3 (3), '8 May 1985' is replaced by '22 May 1985'.
4. The Annex is replaced by the Annex to this Decision.

Article 2

The Member States shall amend the measures which they apply to trade so as to bring them into compliance with this Decision three days after its notification. They shall immediately inform the Commission thereof.

Article 3

This Decision is addressed to the Member States.

Done at Brussels, 22 May 1985.

For the Commission

Frans ANDRIESSEN

Vice-President

(1) OJ No 121, 29. 7. 1964, p. 1977/64.
(2) OJ No L 339, 27. 12. 1984, p. 30.
(3) OJ No L 302, 31. 12. 1972, p. 24.
(4) OJ No L 339, 27. 12. 1984, p. 27.
(5) OJ No L 47, 21. 2. 1980, p. 4.
(6) OJ No L 186, 8. 7. 1981, p. 20.
(7) OJ No L 63, 2. 3. 1985, p. 23.

ANNEX

1. Parts of the territory of Italy which are the subject of restrictions on the trade in live animals :

   — the provinces of Benevento, Bologna, Brescia, Caserta, Catanzaro, Cosenza, Cremona, Cuneo, Mantova, Massa Carrara, Milano, Modena, Ravenna, Reggio-Emilia, Taranto and Salerno,

   — any other part of the territory situated within a radius of 10 kilometres around any outbreak of foot-and-mouth disease recorded after 1 February 1985.

2. Parts of the territory of Italy which are the subject of restrictions on the trade in fresh meat and meat products :

   (a) in the case of meat obtained from animals slaughtered after 10 March 1985 and before 28 April 1985 and products prepared using such meats :

      — the provinces of Cosenza and Salerno,

      — any other part of the territory situated within a radius of 10 kilometres around any outbreak of foot-and-mouth disease recorded after 10 March 1985 ;

   (b) in the case of meat obtained from animals slaughtered after 28 April 1985 and products prepared using such meats :

      — the provinces of Benevento, Cosenza and Salerno,

      — any other part of the territory situated within a radius of 10 kilometres around any outbreak of foot-and-mouth disease recorded after 25 April 1985.