COUNCIL DECISION

of 20 December 1985

amending, on account of the accession of Spain, Decision 78/476/EEC on the equivalence of checks on practices for the maintenance of varieties carried out in third countries

(85/587/EEC)

THE COUNCIL OF THE EUROPEAN COMMUNITIES,

Having regard to the Treaty establishing the European Economic Community,

Having regard to the Act of Accession of Spain and Portugal, and in particular Article 396 thereof,

Having regard to the proposal from the Commission,

Whereas in Decision 78/476/EEC (1), as last amended by Decision 83/495/EEC (2), the Council determined that the official checks carried out in 11 third countries on practices for the maintenance of certain varieties of arable and vegetable crops provided the same guarantees as checks carried out in the Member States; whereas the said determination of equivalence also includes Spain;

Whereas, pursuant to Article 2 (3) of the Treaty of Accession of Spain and Portugal, the institutions of the Communities may adopt before accession the measures referred to in Article 396 of the Act of Accession,

HAS DECIDED AS FOLLOWS:

Article 1

Subject to the entry into force of the Treaty of Accession of Spain and Portugal, point 3 in the table (relating to Spain) of the Annex to Decision 78/476/EEC shall be deleted with effect from 1 March 1986.

Article 2

This Decision is addressed to the Member States.

Done at Brussels, 20 December 1985.

For the Council

The President

R. STEICHEN

(1) OJ No L 152, 8. 6. 1978, p. 17.
(2) OJ No L 275, 8. 10. 1983, p. 18.