COMMISSION DECISION

of 13 December 1985

on the list of establishments in Spain approved for the purpose of importing fresh meat into the Community

(85/606/EEC)

THE COMMISSION OF THE EUROPEAN COMMUNITIES,

Having regard to the Treaty establishing the European Economic Community,

Having regard to Council Directive 72/462/EEC of 12 December 1972 on health and veterinary inspection problems upon importation of bovine animals and swine and fresh meat from third countries (1), as last amended by Directive 83/91/EEC (2), and in particular Articles 4 (1) and 18 (1) thereof,

Whereas establishments in third countries cannot be authorized to export fresh meat to the Community unless they satisfy the general and special conditions laid down in Directive 72/462/EEC;

Whereas on the basis of a first inspection no establishments were judged satisfactory and whereas Commission Decision 84/327/EEC (3) prohibited Member States, on a Community basis, from importing fresh meat from establishments in Spain, while still allowing those Member States whose national legislation so permitted the possibility of not abruptly interrupting existing trade flows with the establishments proposed by the Spanish authorities, for a period of seven months;

Whereas a further inspection carried out pursuant to Article 5 of Directive 72/462/EEC and Article 3 (1) of Commission Decision 83/196/EEC of 8 April 1983 concerning the on-the-spot inspections to be carried out in respect of the importation of bovine animals and swine and fresh meat from non-member countries (4) has shown that the standard of hygiene in one establishment has been raised and can thus be regarded as satisfactory;

Whereas this establishment can in these circumstances be included in a list of establishments authorized to export to the Community;

Whereas, therefore, Decision 84/327/EEC must be repealed;

Whereas it should be recalled that imports of fresh meat are also subject to other Community veterinary legislation, particularly as regards animal health protection requirements;

Whereas import of fresh meat from the establishment appearing in the Annex remains subject to provisions laid down elsewhere and to the general provisions of the Treaty; whereas in particular, import from third countries and re-export to other Member States of certain categories of meat, such as meat containing residues of certain substances which are not yet covered by harmonized Community rules, remain subject to the health legislation of the importing Member State, while respecting the general provisions of the Treaty;

Whereas the provisions of Directive 72/462/EEC apply to imports of fresh meat from Spain until the entry into force of the Treaty of Accession of Spain and Portugal;

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

1. The establishment in Spain appearing in the Annex is hereby approved for the import of fresh meat into the Community pursuant to the said Annex.

2. Imports from the establishment referred to in paragraph 1 shall remain subject to the Community veterinary provisions laid down elsewhere, and, in particular those concerning animal health protection requirements.

Article 2

Member States shall prohibit imports of fresh meat coming from establishments other than that appearing in the Annex.

Article 3

Decision 84/327/EEC is hereby repealed.

(1) OJ No L 302, 31. 12. 1972, p. 28.
(2) OJ No L 59, 5. 3. 1983, p. 34.
(3) OJ No L 170, 29. 6. 1984, p. 80.
(4) OJ No L 108, 26. 4. 1983, p. 18.

Article 4

This Decision shall apply until 28 February 1986.

Article 5

This Decision is addressed to the Member States.

Done at Brussels, 13 December 1985.

For the Commission
Frans ANDRIESSEN
Vice-President

ANNEX

LIST OF ESTABLISHMENTS

No	Establishment	Address
	SHEEPMEAT AND GOATMEAT	
	Slaughterhouse	
MF 10.709/SS	Ernesto Montero Alonso	Irún, Guipuzcoa