COMMISSION DECISION

of 23 December 1986

amending Decision 86/189/EEC concerning the establishments in the United States of America for which Member States may authorize the importation of fresh meat

(87/113/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 86/469/EEC [2], and in particular Article 4 (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 the United States of America have forwarded, in accordance with Article 4 (3) of Directive 72/462/EEC, a list of establishments authorized to export to the Community;

Whereas following Community on-the-spot visits and by Commission Decision 86/189/EEC [3], the Member States were authorized to continue to import fresh meat from certain American establishments until 31 December 1986;

Whereas this transitional period was intended to enable these establishments to be re-examined on the basis of additional information regarding their hygiene standards and their ability to adapt quickly to the Community rules;

Whereas this re-examination has been carried out;

Whereas, however, the Council has since amended the standards applicable which amendments are to enter into force on 30 April 1987;

Whereas, therefore, the current transitional arrangements should be extended to a date corresponding to that of the entry into force of the amended Community rules;

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 date of '31 December 1986' in Article 1 of Decision 86/189/EEC is hereby replaced by '29 April 1987'.

Article 2

This Decision is addressed to the Member States.

Done at Brussels, 23 December 1986.

For the Commission

Frans ANDRIESSEN

Vice-President

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[1] OJ No L 302, 31. 12. 1972, p. 28.
[2] OJ No L 275, 26. 9. 1986, p. 36.
[3] OJ No L 140, 27. 5. 1986, p. 30.