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COMMISSION

COMMISSION DECISION

of 24 March 1987

laying down the model for the public health certificate in respect of meat products from Argentina, Brazil and Uruguay

(87/221/EEC)

THE COMMISSION OF THE EUROPEAN COMMUNITIES,

Having regard to the Treaty establishing the European Economic Community,

Having regard to Council Directive 77/99/EEC of 21 December 1976 on health problems affecting intra-Community trade in meat products [1], as last amended by Regulation (EEC) No 3768/85 [2], and in particular Article 17 thereof,

Whereas, in accordance with Article 17 of Directive 77/99/EEC, the Commission is to draw up the model for the public health certificate which is to accompany meat products when they are imported into the Community, at the same time as it adopts lists of establishments in third countries approved for the purpose of the importation of those products into the Community;

Whereas the present is to apply pending the implementation of a complete Community regime concerning the importation of meat products from third countries; whereas, therefore, imports of meat products from third countries remain subject to other veterinary rules, especially in relation to animal health, in accordance with the general provisions of the Treaty;

Whereas the present Decision is based upon the existing Community rules and it will therefore be necessary to re-examine it as soon as the aforesaid rules have been supplemented;

Whereas the present Decision is based on on-the-spot inspections made in Argentina, Brazil and Uruguay; whereas, in the light of those inspections, it is necessary to take into consideration at the moment only fully heat-treated canned bovine meat and frozen cooked bovine meat which is cooked to a centre temperature of at least 80 °C coming from establishments which are authorized to export to the Community;

Whereas, up to now on-the-spot inspections by veterinary experts of the Member States and of the Commission have been made in Argentina, Uruguay and Brazil; whereas the model for the public health certificate has already been drawn up for meat products from Argentina and Uruguay by Commission Decision 86/472/EEC [3]; whereas a single model as annexed to this Decision may be adopted for the three countries; whereas Decision 86/472/EEC should therefore be repealed;

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 model for the public health certificate which must accompany meat products from Argentina, Brazil and Uruguay is given in the Annex hereto.

Article 2

This Decision shall be re-examined upon the adoption of any new rules application to third countries in respect of the products concerned.

[1] OJ No L 26, 31. 1. 1977, p. 85.
[2] OJ No L 362, 31. 12. 1985, p. 8.
[3] OJ No L 279, 30. 9. 1986, p. 50

Article 3

Decision 86/472/EEC is hereby repealed.

Article 4

This Decision is addressed to the Member States.

Done at Brussels, 24 March 1987.

For the Commission
Frans ANDRIESSEN
Vice-President

ANNEX

PUBLIC HEALTH CERTIFICATE

for meat products from Argentina, Brazil and Uruguay

Intended for : .....
(name of EEC Member State)

No ..... (1)

Exporting country : .....

Ministry : .....

Department : .....

Reference (1) : .....

I. Identification of meat products

Nature of meat products : Frozen cooked bovine meat/Canned bovine meat (2)

Nature of wrapping : .....

Number of individual items or packages : .....

Storage and transport temperature (3) : .....

Storage life (3) : .....

Net weight : .....

II. Origin of meat products

Address(es) and veterinary approval number(s) of the establishment(s) supplier(s) of fresh bovine meat : ...

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Address(es) and veterinary approval number(s) of the approved processing establishment(s) : .....

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III. Destination of meat products

The meat will be sent from : .....
(place of loading)

to : .....
(country and place of destination)

by the following means of transport (4) : .....

Name and address of consignor : .....

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Name and address of consignee : .....

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(1) Optional.
(2) Delete as appropriate.
(3) To be completed in the case of frozen cooked bovine meat.
(4) Indicate the registration number (railway wagons and trucks), the flight number (aircraft) or the name (ship).

IV. **Health Attestation** (1)

I, the undersigned official veterinarian, certify that:

(a) the bovine meat used for the manufacture of the meat products referred to above was obtained, transported and stored in compliance with the requirements of Council Directive 64/433/EEC (2) or 72/462/EEC (3);

(b) the said products have been obtained in conformity with the provisions of Annex A of Directive 77/99/EEC in an establishment approved by the Community;

(c) the transport vehicles and equipment and the loading conditions of this consignment comply with the hygiene requirements laid down in Community rules;

(d) this consignment is composed of frozen cooked bovine meat and/or canned bovine meat (4).

Done at ..... on .....
(place) (date)

Stamp

.....
Signature
(name in capital letters)

(1) This attestation does not include animal health conditions.
(2) OJ No 121, 29. 7. 1964, p. 2012/64.
(3) OJ No L 302, 31. 12. 1972, p. 28.
(4) Delete as appropriate.