# COMMISSION DECISION

## of 27 July 1989

## on financial contributions from the Community for the eradication of foot-and-mouth disease in Italy

**(only the Italian text is authentic)**

(89/493/EEC)

THE COMMISSION OF THE EUROPEAN COMMUNITIES,

Having regard to the Treaty establishing the European Economic Community,

Having regard to Council Decision 77/97/EEC of 21 December 1976 on the financing by the Community of certain emergency measures in the field of animal health (1), as last amended by Regulation (EEC) No 3768/85 (2), and in particular Article 1 thereof,

Whereas three series of outbreaks of foot-and-mouth disease occurred in Italy during 1988; whereas the appearance of this disease is a serious danger to the Community's livestock and in order to help eradicate the disease as rapidly as possible the Community has the possibility of making good the losses so caused;

Whereas, as soon as the presence of these series of foot-and-mouth disease outbreaks were officially confirmed the Italian Authorities took all the measures specified in Article 1 of Decision 77/97/EEC with a view to eradication; whereas such measures were notified by the Italian Authorities at meetings of the Standing Veterinary Committee on 30 June, 27 July, 20 September, 16 November and 13 December 1988;

Whereas the evolution of the situation and the seriousness of the disease were such that the Italian Authorities applied vaccination measures in the areas surrounding the outbreaks; whereas the measures in general were continued until complete eradication was achieved;

Whereas the conditions for Community financial assistance have been met; whereas to be fully effective the Community's assistance should be the maximum authorised in the said Decision;

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 Commission shall pay to Italy:

— 50 % of the expenditure incurred in compensating owners for the slaughter and destruction of animals and disinfection of the farms, and

— 100 % of the cost of the vaccine used and 50 % of the expenses incurred in carrying out the vaccination around the infected farms,

after the outbreaks of foot-and-mouth disease detected in Tuscany and Umbria in June and July 1988.

2. The Commission shall pay to Italy:

— 50 % of the expenditure incurred in compensating owners for the slaughter and destruction of animals and disinfection of the farms, and

— 100 % of the cost of the vaccine used and 50 % of the expenses incurred in carrying out the vaccination around the infected farms,

after the outbreaks of foot-and-mouth disease detected in Lombardy in July and August 1988.

3. The Commission shall pay to Italy:

— 50 % of the expenditure incurred in compensating owners for the slaughter and destruction of animals and disinfection of the farms, and

— 100 % of the cost of the vaccine used and 50 % of the expenses incurred in carrying out the vaccination around the infected farms,

after the outbreaks of foot-and-mouth disease detected in Emilia-Romagna in November 1988.

*Article 2*

The Community financial participation shall be granted after supporting documents have been submitted.

*Article 3*

This Decision is addressed to the Italian Republic.

Done at Brussels, 27 July 1989.

*For the Commission*

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*Member of the Commission*

(1) OJ No L 26, 31. 1. 1977, p. 78.
(2) OJ No L 362, 31. 12. 1985, p. 8.