COMMISSION DECISION

of 24 January 1991

on financial contributions from the Community for the eradication of contagious bovine pleuropneumonia in Italy

(Only the Italian text is authentic)

(91/46/EEC)

THE COMMISSION OF THE EUROPEAN COMMUNITIES,

Having regard to the Treaty establishing the European Economic Community,

Having regard to Council Decision 90/424/EEC of 26 June 1990 on expenditure in the veterinary field [1], and in particular Articles 3 and 4 thereof,

Whereas outbreaks of contagious bovine pleuropneumonia occurred in Italy in October 1990; whereas the appearance of this disease is a serious danger to the Community's cattle 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 contagious bovine pleuropneumonia was officially confirmed the Italian authorities took appropriate measures which included the measures listed in Article 3 (2) of Decision 90/424/EEC; whereas such measures were notified by the Italian authorities;

Whereas the conditions for Community financial assistance have been met;

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

For outbreaks of contagious bovine pleuropneumonia which have occurred during the month of October 1990 Italy may obtain Community financial assistance. The financial contribution by the Community shall be:

— 50 % of the costs incurred by Italy in compensating owners for the slaughter and for destruction, as appropriate, of bovines and bovine products;

— 50 % of the costs incurred by Italy for the cleaning, disinsectization and disinfection of of holdings and equipment;

— 50 % of the costs incurred by Italy in compensating owners for the destruction of contaminated feedingstuffs and contaminated equipment.

Article 2

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

Article 3

The Community shall follow developments in the situation regarding the disease and, if necessary, due to its evolution, shall adopt a new Decision in accordance with the provisions laid down in Article 3 (4) of Decision 90/424/EEC.

Article 4

This Decision is addressed to the Italian Republic.

Done at Brussels, 24 January 1991.

For the Commission

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[1] OJ No L 224, 18. 8. 1990, p. 19.