COMMISSION DECISION

of 10 December 1992

amending Decision 92/539/EEC concerning the importation into the Community of live pigs, fresh pigmeat, porcine semen, porcine embryos and pigmeat products from Hungary

(93/21/EEC)

THE COMMISSION OF THE EUROPEAN COMMUNITIES,

Having regard to the Treaty establishing the European Economic Community,

Having regard to Council Directive 91/496/EEC of 15 July 1991 laying down the principles governing the organization of veterinary checks on animals entering the Community from Third Countries and amending Directives 89/662/EEC, 90/425/EEC and 90/675/EEC [1], as last amended by Directive 92/438/EEC [2], and in particular Article 18 thereof,

Having regard to Council Directive 90/675/EEC of 10 December 1990 laying down the principles governing the organization of veterinary checks on products entering the Community from third countries [3], as last amended by Directive 92/438/EEC, and in particular Article 19 thereof,

Whereas outbreaks of classical swine fever have been declared in Hungary;

Whereas the occurrence of classical swine fever in Hungary is liable to present a serious threat to the herds of Member States, in view of trade in live pigs, fresh pigmeat, porcine semen, porcine embryos and certain meat-based pork products;

Whereas as a result of the outbreaks of classical swine fever, the Commission adopted Decision 92/539/EEC of 10 November 1992 concerning the importation into the Community of live pigs, fresh pigmeat, porcine semen, porcine embryos and pigmeat products from Hungary [4];

Whereas the measures adopted by Decision 92/539/EEC should be considered as interim protective measures to be referred to the Standing Veterinary Committee with a view to the extension, amendment or repeal of the established measures;

Whereas it appears necessary to adjust the interim measures to take account of the evolution of the disease; whereas the animal health conditions and veterinary certification laid down for live pigs, fresh pigmeat and pigmeat products from Hungary are amended by Commission Decision 93/20/EEC [5];

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

Decision 92/539/EEC is hereby amended as follows:

1. the title is replaced by:

   'Commission Decision of 10 November 1992 concerning the importation into the Community of porcine semen and porcine embryos from Hungary';

2. Article 1 is replaced by:

   'Member States shall prohibit the importation from the County of Békés, Hungary, of:

   — semen of domestic animals of the porcine species,

   — embryos of domestic animals of the porcine species.'

Article 2

This Decision is addressed to the Member States.

Done at Brussels, 10 December 1992.

For the Commission

Ray MAC SHARRY

Member of the Commission

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[1] OJ No L 268, 24. 9. 1991, p. 56.
[2] OJ No L 243, 25. 8. 1992, p. 27.
[3] OJ No L 373, 31. 12. 1990, p. 1.
[4] OJ No L 347, 28. 11. 1992, p. 68.

[5] See page 5 of this Official Journal.