COMMISSION DECISION

of 14 April 1993

repealing Decision 93/78/EEC

(Only the Spanish text is authentic)

(93/249/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, ovine and caprine animals and swine, fresh meat products from third countries [1], as last amended by Regulation (EEC) No 1601/92 [2], and in particular Article 31b thereof,

Whereas on 22 December 1992 the Commission adopted Decision 93/78/EEC [3] derogating from certain provisions of Directive 72/462/EEC with regard to imports of meat into the Canary Islands and fixing the rules applicable after importation;

Whereas this derogation means that the Spanish authorities must set up a monitoring system to guarantee that the meat imported under the derogation arrangements actually remains on the territory of the Canary Islands; whereas the introduction of such a monitoring system hampers trade in a number of ways; whereas in these circumstances and in response to a request by the Spanish authorities, Decision 93/78/EEC should be repealed;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

Decision 93/78/EEC is hereby repealed.

Article 2

This Decision is addressed to the Kingdom of Spain.

Done at Brussels, 14 April 1993.

For the Commission

René STEICHEN

Member of the Commission

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[1] OJ No L 302, 31. 12. 1972, p. 28.
[2] OJ No L 173, 27. 6. 1992, p. 13.
[3] OJ No L 30, 6. 2. 1993, p. 64.