COMMISSION DECISION

of 28 July 1993

amending for the third time Decision 93/180/EEC concerning certain protection measures with regard to foot-and-mouth disease in Italy and repealing Decision 93/168/EEC

(93/419/EEC)

THE COMMISSION OF THE EUROPEAN COMMUNITIES,

Having regard to the Treaty establishing the European Economic Community,

Having regard to Council Directive 90/425/EEC of 26 June 1990 concerning veterinary and zootechnical checks applicable in intra-Community trade in certain live animals and products with a view to the completion of the internal market [1], as last amended by Council Directive 92/118/EEC [2] and in particular Article 10 thereof,

Having regard to Council Directive 89/662/EEC of 11 December 1989, concerning veterinary checks in intra-Community trade with a view to the completion of the internal market [3], as last amended by Council Directive 92/118/EEC and, in particular, Article 9,

Whereas since 28 February 1993 several outbreaks of foot-and-mouth disesase have been declared in several regions in Italy;

Whereas the Commission has sent missions to Italy to examine the foot-and-mouth-disease situation;

Whereas the foot-and-mouth disease situation in Italy is liable to endanger the herds of other Member States of the trade in live biungulate animals and certain of their products;

Whereas following the outbreaks of foot-and-mouth disease the Commission adopted several Decisions, particularly 93/180/EEC of 26 March 1993 concerning certain protective measures with regard to foot-and-mouth disease in Italy and repealing Decision 93/168/EEC [4], as last amended by Decision 93/336/EEC [5];

Whereas the outbreaks have, as a result of the measures introduced and the action taken by the Italian authorities, been confined to certain parts of Italy's territory;

Whereas as a result of serological testing and clinical examinations restrictions can be removed form the provinces of Benevento, Avellino, Napoli and Salerno;

Whereas there is the possibility that illegal vaccination has been carried out in the province of Caserta and furthermore the origin of oubreaks in this province remains unknown; whereas it is necessary to retain restrictions in Caserta pending results of inquiries;

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 93/180/EEC is hereby amended as follows:

1. In Article 1 (2) and (3), the words '93/336/EEC of 28 May 1993' are replaced by '93/419/EEC of 28 July 1993'.

2. In Article 2 (3), the words '93/336/EEC of 28 May 1993' are replaced by '93/414/EEC of 28 July 1993'.

3. In Article 3 (4), the words '93/336/EEC of 28 May 1993' are replaced by '93/419/EEC of 28 July 1993'.

4. In Article 4 (4), the words '93/336/EEC of 28 May 1993' are replaced by '93/419/EEC of 28 July 1993'.

5. In Article 5 (4), the words '93/336/EEC of 28 May 1993' are replaced by '93/419/EEC of 28 July 1993'.

6. In Article 6 (3) and (4), the words '93/336/EEC of 28 May 1993' are replaced by '93/419/EEC of 28 July 1993'.

7. In Article 7 (3), the words '93/336/EEC of 28 May 1993' are replaced by '93/419/EEC of 28 July 1993'.

8. In Article 9 (3), the words '93/336/EEC of 28 May 1993' are replaced by '93/419/EEC of 28 July 1993'.

9. The Annex is replaced by the Annex to this Decision.

Article 2

The Member States shall amend the measures which they apply to trade so as to bring them into compliance with this Decision. They shall immediately inform the Commission thereof.

[1] OJ No L 224, 18. 8. 1990, p. 29.
[2] OJ No L 62, 15. 3. 1993, p. 49.
[3] OJ No L 395, 30. 12. 1989, p. 13.
[4] OJ No L 75, 30. 3. 1993, p. 21.
[5] OJ No L 132, 29. 5. 1993, p. 143.

Article 3

This Decision is addressed to the Member States.

Done at Brussels, 28 July 1993.

For the Commission
René STEICHEN
Member of the Commission

ANNEX

1. Parts of the territory of Italy subject to restrictions on trade in live animals until 15 September 1993 ;

   the provinces of :

   Avellino, Benevento, Napoli, Salerno.

2. Parts of the territory of Italy subject to restrictions on trade in live animals :

   the province of :

   Caserta.

3. Parts of the territory of Italy subject to restrictions on the trade in meat obtained from animals originating in and slaughtered after 1 February and before 1 May 1993 and products prepared using such meat, and other animal products produced between those dates :

   the provinces of :

   Verona, Taranto, Bari, Brindisi, Foggia, Lecce and Reggio di Calabria.

4. Parts of the territory of Italy subject to restrictions on the trade in meat obtained form animals originating in and slaughtered after 1 February and before 15 June 1993 and products prepared using such meat, and other animal products produced between those dates :

   the provinces of :

   Cantanzaro, Cosenza, Potenza and Matera.

5. Parts of the territory of Italy subject to restrictions on the trade in meat obtained from animals originating in and slaughtered after 1 February and before 15 September 1993 and products prepared using such meat, and other animal products produced between those dates :

   the provinces of :

   Avellino, Benevento, Napoli, Salerno.

6. Parts of the territory of Italy subject to restrictions on the trade in meat obtained from animals originating in and slaughtered after 1 February 1993 and products prepared using such meat, and other animal products produced after that date :

   the province of :

   Caserta.