COMMISSION DECISION

of 20 December 1994

approving the 1995 programmes for the eradication of anaplasmosis and babesiosis in Réunion and of cowdriosis and babesiosis in Guadeloupe and Martinique presented by France and fixing the Community financial contribution

(Only the French text is authentic)

(94/952/EC)

THE COMMISSION OF THE EUROPEAN COMMUNITIES,

Having regard to the Treaty establishing the European Community,

Having regard to Council Decision 90/424/EEC of 26 June 1990 on expenditure in the veterinary field [1], as last amended by Council Decision 94/370/EC [2], and in particular Article 24 (6) thereof,

Whereas Decision 90/424/EEC provides, in particular, for the possibility of a Community financial measure for the eradication and monitoring of cowdriosis, babesiosis and anaplasmosis transmitted by insect vectors in the French overseas departments;

Whereas, by letter dated 13 July 1994, France presented a programme for the eradication of anaplasmosis and babesiosis in Réunion and a programme for the eradication of cowdriosis and babesiosis in Guadeloupe and Martinique;

Whereas, after examination, those programmes have been found to fulfil all the Community criteria for the eradication of diseases, pursuant to Council Decision 90/638/EEC of 27 November 1990 laying down Community criteria for the eradication and monitoring of certain animal diseases [3], as last amended by Directive 92/65/EEC [4];

Whereas these programmes are included in the list of programmes for the eradication and monitoring of animal diseases which may receive a financial contribution from the Community in 1995, as laid down in Commission Decision 94/769/EC [5];

Whereas in view of the programmes' important role in achieving the objectives pursued by the Community as regards animal health, the Community's financial contribution should be set at 50 % of the costs borne by France, up to a maximum of ECU 1 300 000;

Whereas the Community will make a financial contribution provided that the measures planned are carried out and the authorities supply all the information necessary within the time limit laid down;

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 programme for the eradication of anaplasmosis and babesiosis in Réunion presented by France is approved for the period 1 January to 31 December 1995.

2. The programme for the eradication of cowdriosis and babesiosis in Guadeloupe and Martinique presented by France is approved for the period 1 January to 31 December 1995.

Article 2

France shall bring into force on 1 January 1995 the laws, regulations and administrative provisions to implement the programme referred to in Article 1.

Article 3

1. The Community financial contribution shall be 50 % of the cost borne by France for the implementation of the programmes referred to in Article 1, up to a maximum of:

— ECU 205 000 for the programme referred to in Article 1 (1),

— ECU 1 095 000 for the programme referred to in Article 1 (2).

(1) OJ No L 224, 18. 8. 1990, p. 19.
(2) OJ No L 168, 2. 7. 1994, p. 31.
(3) OJ No L 347, 12. 12. 1990, p. 27.
(4) OJ No L 268, 13. 7. 1992, p. 54.
(5) OJ No L 305, 30. 11. 1994, p. 38.

2. The Community's financial contribution shall be granted after:

— a quarterly report has been forwarded to the Commission on the progress of each programme and the expenditure incurred,

— a final report has been forwarded to the Commission by 1 June 1996 at the latest on the technical implementation of each programme, accompanied by supporting documents relating to the expenditure incurred.

Article 4

This Decision is addressed to the French Republic.

Done at Brussels, 20 December 1994.

For the Commission
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Member of the Commission