COMMISSION DECISION

of 31 January 1996

amending Decision 95/296/EC concerning certain protection measures relating to classical swine fever in Germany and repealing Decision 94/462/EC

(Text with EEA relevance)

(96/141/EC)

THE COMMISSION OF THE EUROPEAN COMMUNITIES,

Having regard to the Treaty establishing the European 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 Directive 92/118/EEC [2] and, in particular, Article 10 (4) thereof,

Whereas as a result of outbreaks of classical swine fever in different parts of Germany, the Commission adopted Decision 95/296/EC [3] concerning certain protection measures relating to classical swine fever in Germany and repealing Decision 94/462/EC;

Whereas the said Decision lays down conditions for movement controls of domestic pigs originating from certain specified areas;

Whereas for a period of about 12 months, no classical swine fever virus has been isolated or detected in wild boar found dead or shot in certain specified areas of Rhineland-Palatinate and Lower Saxony;

Whereas certain movement control measures established for domestic pigs originating from the said areas in view of the improved health situation can be lifted;

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

Annex I to Decision 95/296/EC is replaced by:

'ANNEX I

— In Mecklenburg-Western Pommerania, the *Kreise*: Parchim, Mecklenburg-Strelitz, Bad Doberan, Güstrow, Müritz, Demmin, Ostvorpommern, Nordvorpommern, *Stadtkreise* Greifswald, Stralsund and Rostock.

— In Lower Saxony, the *Kreise*: Vechta, Osnabrück *(Stadt* and *Land)*, Diepholz, Oldenburg and Cloppenburg.

— Any *Kreis* where a new outbreak occurs outside the abovementioned areas. The measures referred to in Article 1 (2) and Article 2 shall apply for a period of 60 days following the last outbreak in the *Kreis* in question. Germany shall inform Member States and the Commission about measures established and repealed.'

Article 2

This Decision is addressed to the Member States.

Done at Brussels, 31 January 1996.

For the Commission

Franz FISCHLER

Member of the Commission

[1] OJ No L 224, 18. 8. 1990, p. 29.
[2] OJ No L 62, 15. 3. 1993, p. 49.
[3] OJ No L 182, 2. 8. 1995, p. 33.