COMMISSION DECISION

of 13 December 1995

approving the programme for the monitoring of infectious haematopoietic necrosis for 1996 presented by Portugal and fixing the level of the Community's financial contribution

(Only the Portuguese text is authentic)

(96/55/EC)

THE COMMISSION OF THE EUROPEAN COMMUNITIES,

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

Whereas Decision 90/424/EEC provides for the possibility of financial participation by the Community in the monitoring of infectious haematopoietic necrosis;

Whereas by letter, Portugal has submitted a programme for the monitoring of infectious haematopietic necrosis;

Whereas after examination, the programme, as amended by letter of 27 July 1995, was found to comply with all Community criteria relating to the monitoring of the disease in conformity with Council Decision 90/638/EEC of 27 November 1990 laying down the criteria for the eradication and monitoring of certain animal diseases [3], as amended by Council Directive 92/65/EEC [4];

Whereas this programme appears on the list of programmes for the eradication and surveillance of animal diseases which can benefit in 1996 from financial participation from the Community and which was established by Decision 95/434/EC [5];

Whereas in the light of the importance of the programme for the achievement of Community objectives in the field of animal health, it is appropriate to fix the financial participation of the Community at 50 % of the costs incurred by Portugal up to a maximum of ECU 12 000;

Whereas a financial contribution from the Community shall be granted in so far as the actions provided for are carried out and provided that the authorities furnish all the necessary information within the time limits provided for;

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

The programme for the monitoring of infectious haematopoietic necrosis presented by Portugal is hereby approved for the period from 1 January to 31 December 1996.

Article 2

Portugal shall bring into force by 1 January 1996 the laws, regulations and administrative provisions for implementing the programme referred to in Article 1.

Article 3

1. The financial participation by the Community shall be at the rate of 50 % of the costs incurred in Portugal concerning expenses related to the programme referred to in Article 1 up to a maximum of ECU 12 000.

2. The financial contribution of the Community shall be granted subject to:

— forwarding a report to the Commission every three months on the progress of the programme and the costs incurred,

— forwarding a final report to the Commission on the technical execution of the programme accompanied by justifying evidence as to the costs incurred, by 1 June 1997 at the latest.

Article 4

This Decision is addressed to the Portuguese Republic.

Done at Brussels, 13 December 1995.

For the Commission

Franz FISCHLER

Member of the Commission

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(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, 14. 9. 1992, p. 54.
(5) OJ No L 256, 26. 10. 1995, p. 57.