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(Acts whose publication is not obligatory)

COMMISSION

COMMISSION DECISION

of 26 November 1996

amending Decision 96/526/EC concerning certain protection measures with regard to foot-and-mouth disease in Greece

(Text with EEA relevance)

(96/695/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 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 Directive 92/118/EEC, and in particular Article 9,

Whereas as a result of outbreaks of foot-and-mouth disease in July 1996 in Greece the Commission adopted Decision 96/440/EC of 18 July 1996 concerning certain protection measures with regard to foot-and-mouth disease [4]; whereas in the light of the disease situation the said Decision was repealed and the established disease-protection measures were amended by Commission Decision 96/526/EC of 30 August 1996 concerning certain protection measures with regard to foot-and-mouth disease in Greece and repealing Commission Decision 96/440/EC [5];

Whereas the measures adopted by Commission Decision 96/526/EC define certain requirements to a disease surveillance programme;

Whereas Greece has requested the measures in the said Decision to be amended concerning inspection of cattle;

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 96/526/EC is hereby amended as follows:

in the third indent of point II in Annex II the words 'each week' are replaced by 'with 15 days' interval'.

Article 2

This Decision is addressed to the Member States.

Done at Brussels, 26 November 1996.

For the Commission

Franz FISCHLER

Member of the Commission

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[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 181, 20. 7. 1996, p. 38.
[5] OJ No L 221, 31. 8. 1996, p. 65.