COMMISSION DECISION

of 12 January 1996

authorizing Sweden to maintain its national measures as regards turkey rhinotracheitis in application of Article 14 (4) of Council Directive 90/539/EEC

(Text with EEA relevance)

(96/93/EC)

THE COMMISSION OF THE EUROPEAN COMMUNITIES,

Having regard to the Treaty establishing the European Community,

Having regard to Council Directive 90/539/EEC of 15 October 1990 on animal health conditions governing intra-Community trade in, and imports from third countries of, poultry and hatching eggs [1], as last amended by the Act of Accession of Austria, Sweden and Finland, and in particular Article 14 (4) thereof,

Whereas Sweden considers that its territory is free from a number of animal diseases and has submitted an application for additional trade guarantees to the Commission; whereas the applications have been examined by the Commission; whereas a more detailed examination is necessary in the case of the application relating to turkey rhinotracheitis;

Whereas it is necessary to extend the special measures which apply to trade in poultry and hatching eggs to Sweden while this examination is being carried out;

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

Sweden is authorized to maintain its national measures relating to turkey rhinotracheitis until 31 December 1996.

Article 2

This Decision is addressed to the Member States.

Done at Brussels, 12 January 1996.

For the Commission

Franz FISCHLER

Member of the Commission

[1] OJ No L 303, 31. 10. 1990, p. 6.