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(Acts whose publication is not obligatory)

COMMISSION

COMMISSION DECISION

of 22 July 1998

amending Commission Decision 98/371/EC concerning the animal health conditions and veterinary certification for imports of fresh meat from certain European countries to take into account some aspects in relation to Croatia and the Czech Republic

(notified under document number C(1998) 2186)

(Text with EEA relevance)

(98/546/EC)

THE COMMISSION OF THE EUROPEAN COMMUNITIES,

Having regard to the Treaty establishing the European Community,

Having regard to the Council Directive 72/462/EEC, of 12 December 1972, on health and veterinary inspection problems upon importation of bovine, ovine and caprine animals and swine, fresh meat or meat products from third countries [1], as last amended by Council Directive 97/79/EC [2], and in particular Articles 14, 15 and 16,

Whereas the animal health conditions and veterinary certification for imports of fresh meat from certain European countries were established by Commission Decision 98/371/EC [3];

Whereas imports of fresh meat from Croatia were not authorised from some zones of the country;

Following a recent Community veterinary mission, it appears that the Croatian veterinary services control satisfactorily the whole country;

Whereas the presence of classical swine fever has been confirmed in domestic pig holdings in some areas of the Czech Republic in 1997;

Whereas following the measures adopted by the Czech authorities, the epidemiological situation in domestic pig holdings has improved and no new outbreaks have occurred since June 1997;

Whereas it is necessary to modify the region where the Classical Swine Fever has been detected in feral pigs, to be adapted to the present situation;

Whereas, as a result, it is appropriate to make possible the importation of fresh meat from the whole of Croatia and of fresh pig meat from the whole of the Czech Republic;

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 98/371/EC is amended as follows:

1. Annex I is replaced by Annex I of the present Decision;

2. Annex II is replaced by Annex II of the present Decision.

[1] OJ L 302, 31. 12. 1972, p. 28.
[2] OJ L 24, 30. 1. 1998, p. 31.
[3] OJ L 170, 16. 6. 1998, p. 16.

Article 2

Member States shall authorise, for 60 days following the date of notification of this Decision to Member States, the importation of fresh meat from Croatia produced and certified in accordance with the conditions laid down in Decision 98/371/EC prior to the entry into force of this Decision.

Article 3

This Decision is addressed to the Member States.

Done at Brussels, 22 July 1998.

For the Commission
Franz FISCHLER
Member of the Commission

ANNEX I

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DESCRIPTION OF TERRITORIES OF CERTAIN EUROPEAN COUNTRIES ESTABLISHED FOR ANIMAL HEALTH CERTIFICATION PURPOSES

Country	Code of territory	Version	Description of territory
ALBANIA	AL	01/98	Whole country
BOSNIA-HERZEGOVINA	BA	01/98	Whole country
BULGARIA	BG	01/98	Whole country
	BG-1	01/98	The provinces of Varna, Dobrich, Solistra, Choumen, Targovichte, Razgrad, Rousse, V. Tarnovo, Gabrovo, Pleven, Lovetch, Plovdiv, Smolian, Pasardjik, Sofia district, Sofia city, Pernik, Kustendil, Blagoevgrad, Vratza, Montana and Vidin
	BG-2	01/98	The provinces of Bourgas, Jambol, Sliven, Starazagora, Hasskovo and Kardjali
BELARUS	BY	01/98	Whole country
CZECH REPUBLIC	CZ	01/98	Whole country
	CZ-1	02/98	Whole country excluding the provinces of Breclav, Kromeriz, Vyskov, Hodonin, Uherske Hradiste, Zlin, Znojmo and Prerov
	CZ-2	02/98	The provinces of Breclav, Kromeriz, Vyskov, Hodonin, Uherske Hradiste, Zlin, Znojmo and Prerov
ESTONIA	EE	01/98	Whole country
FEDERAL REPUBLIC OF YUGOSLAVIA	FY	01/98	Whole country
	FY-1	01/98	The Federal Republic of Yugoslavia excluding the region of Kosovo and Metohija
	FY-2	01/98	The region of Kosovo and Metohija
CROATIA	HR	01/98	Whole country

Country	Code of territory	Version	Description of territory
HUNGARY	HU	01/98	Whole country
LITHUANIA	LI	01/98	Whole country
LATVIA	LV	01/98	Whole country
FORMER YUGOSLAV REPUBLIC OF MACEDONIA	807	01/98	Whole country
POLAND	PL	01/98	Whole country
ROMANIA	RO	01/98	Whole country
RUSSIA	RU	01/98	Whole country
SLOVENIA	SI	01/98	Whole country
SLOVAK REPUBLIC	SK	01/98	Whole country’

ANNEX II

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ANIMAL HEALTH GUARANTEES TO BE REQUESTED ON CERTIFICATION OF FRESH MEAT

Country	Code	Fresh meat for human consumption								Fresh meat intended for purposes other than human consumption
		Bovine		Swine		Ovine/ caprine		Solipeds		
		MC (1)	GS (2)	MC (1)	GS (2)	MC (1)	GS (2)	MC (1)	GS (2)	
ALBANIA (3)	AL	—		—		—		—	—	—
BOSNIA-HERZEGOVINA (3)	BA	—		—		—		—	—	—
BULGARIA	BG	—		—		—		D	—	E
	BG-1	A		—		C		D	—	E
	BG-2	—		—		—		D	—	E
BELARUS	BY	—		—		—		—	—	E
CZECH REPUBLIC	CZ	A		B		C		D	—	E
	CZ-1	A		B		C		D	—	E
	CZ-2	A		B		C		D	—	E
ESTONIA (3)	EE	—		—		—		—	—	E
FEDERAL REPUBLIC OF YUGOSLAVIA	FY	—		—		—		D	—	E
	FY-1	A		—		C		D	—	E
	FY-2	—		—		—		D	—	E
CROATIA	HR	A		—		C		D	—	E
HUNGARY	HU	A		B		C		D	—	E
LITHUNIA (3)	LI	—		—		—		—	—	E
LATVIA (3)	LV	—		—		—		—	—	E
FORMER YUGOSLAV REPUBLIC OF MACEDONIA	807	—		—		—		D	—	E
POLAND	PL	A		—		C		D	—	E
ROMANIA	RO	A		—		C		D	—	E
RUSSIA (3)	RU	—		—		—		—	—	E
SLOVANIA	SI	A		—		C		D	—	E
SLOVAK REPUBLIC	SK	A		—		C		D	—	E

(1) MC: model of certificate to be completed. The letters (A, B, C, D, etc.), appearing in the tables refer to the models of animal health guarantees, as described in Annex III of Decision 98/371/EC, to be applied for each product and origin in accordance with Article 2 of this Decision. A dash '—' indicates that imports are not authorised.

(2) SG: supplementary guarantees. The letters (a, b, c, d, etc.) appearing in the tables refer to the supplementary guarantees to be provided by the exporting country as described in Annex IV. These supplementary guarantees must be inserted by the exporting country in section V of each model of certificate set down in Annex III.

(3) The imports of fresh meat for human consumption are not allowed in so far as a programme of control of residues in the exporting third country has not been approved by the European Commission.'