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COMMISSION

COMMISSION DECISION

of 30 March 1999

approving certain contingency plans for the control of classical swine fever

(notified under document number C(1999) 769)

(Text with EEA relevance)

(1999/246/EC)

THE COMMISSION OF THE EUROPEAN COMMUNITIES,

Having regard to the Treaty establishing the European Community,

Having regard to Council Directive 80/217/EEC of 22 January 1980 introducing Community measures for the control of classical swine fever [1], as last amended by Decision 93/384/EEC [2], and in particular Article 14b thereof,

Whereas the criteria to be applied *mutatis mutandis* when drawing up contingency plans for the control of classical swine fever have been laid down in Commission Decision 91/42/EEC [3];

Whereas certain Member States have submitted for approval national contingency plans; whereas, after examination these plans fulfil all the criteria laid down in Decision 91/42/EEC and permit the desired objective to be attained subject to an effective implementation;

Whereas in order to ensure the plans' effectiveness it is necessary to carry out scenarios studies and simulation exercises;

Whereas the contingency plans must be kept up to date on a regular basis;

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 contingency plans for the control of classical swine fever submitted by the Member States listed in Annex I are approved.

Article 2

This Decision is addressed to the Member States.

Done at Brussels, 30 March 1999.

For the Commission

Franz FISCHLER

Member of the Commission

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[1] OJ L 47, 21.1.1980, p. 11.
[2] OJ L 166, 8.7.1993, p. 34.
[3] OJ L 23, 29.1.1991, p. 29.

ANNEX

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The Netherlands
Austria
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