COMMISSION DECISION

of 2 June 1999

amending Decisions 93/24/EEC and 93/244/EEC and concerning additional guarantees relating to Aujeszky's disease for pigs destined for the territory of Luxembourg

(notified under document number C(1999) 1450)

(1999/399/EC)

THE COMMISSION OF THE EUROPEAN COMMUNITIES,

Having regard to the Treaty establishing the European Community,

Having regard to Council Directive 64/432/EEC of 26 June 1964 on animal health problems affecting intra-Community trade in bovine animals and swine [1], as last amended by Directive 98/99/EC [2], and in particular Article 10(2) thereof,

(1) Whereas an eradication programme was undertaken in the territory of Luxembourg for Aujeszky's disease that had been approved by Commission Decisions 93/200/EEC [3] and 96/283/EEC [4];

(2) Whereas in relation to this eradication programme certain additional guarantees relating to Aujeszky's disease for pigs destined for its territory had been granted to Luxembourg by Commission Decision 93/244/EEC [5], as last amended by Decision 97/835/EC [6];

(3) Whereas Luxembourg considers that its territory is free from Aujeszky's disease and has submitted supporting documentation to the Commission as provided for in Article 10 of Directive 64/432/EEC;

(4) Whereas the programme is regarded to have been successful in eradicating this disease from the territory of Luxembourg;

(5) Whereas the authorities of Luxembourg apply for national movement of pigs rules at least equivalent to those provided by the present decision;

(6) Whereas these additional guarantees must not be requested from Member States or regions of Member States which are themselves regarded as free from Aujeszky's disease;

(7) Whereas Commission Decision 93/24/EEC [7], as last amended by Decision 1999/56/EEC [8] lays down additional guarantees relating to Aujeszky's disease for pigs destined for Member States or regions free of the disease and lists those regions in Annex I;

(8) Whereas the whole territory of Luxembourg which is free of the disease should be added to Annex I of Decision 93/24/EEC and removed from Annex I of Decision 93/244/EEC;

(9) 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

Annex I of Decision 93/24/EC is replaced by Annex I of this Decision.

Annex I of Decision 93/244/EEC is replaced by Annex II of this Decision.

Article 2

This Decision shall apply from 15 June 1999.

Article 3

This Decision is addressed to the Member States.

Done at Brussels, 2 June 1999.

For the Commission

Franz FISCHLER

Member of the Commission

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[1] OJ 121, 29.7.1964, p. 1977/64.
[2] OJ L 358, 31.12.1998, p. 107.
[3] OJ L 87, 7.4.1993, p. 14.
[4] OJ L 107, 30.4.1997, p. 16.
[5] OJ L 111, 5.5.1993, p. 21.
[6] OJ L 345, 16.12.1997, p. 56.
[7] OJ L 16, 25.1.1993, p. 18.
[8] OJ L 18, 23.1.1999, p. 66.

ANNEX I

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Regions free of Aujeszky's disease which do not permit vaccination

Denmark:	all regions
United Kingdom:	all regions in England, Scotland and Wales
France:	the Departments of Maine-et-Loire, Sarthe, Vendée, Charente, Charente-Maritime, Deux-Sèvres, Vienne, Aude, Dordogne Gironde, Landes, Lot-et-Garenne, Pyrénées-Atlantiques, Ariège, Aveyron, Haute-Garonne, Gers, Lot, Haute Pyrénées, Tarn, Tarn-et-Garonne, Aisne, Allier, Ardennes, Aube, Calvados, Cantal, Cher, Corrèze, Côte d'Or, Creuse, Eure, Eure-et-Loir, Gard, Indre, Indre-et-Loire, Loire-et-cher, Loire, Haute-Loire, Loiret, Lozère, Marne, Meurthe-et-Moselle, Meuse, Moselle, Oise, Puy-de-Dôme, Bas-Rhin, Haut-Rhin, Rhône, Haute-Saône, Seine-Maritime, Somme, Vosges, Yonne
Finland:	all regions
Germany:	the *Länder* of Thüringen, Sachsen, Brandenburg, Mecklenburg-Vorpommern, Sachsen-Anhalt, Rheinland-Pfalz
Austria:	all regions
Sweden:	all regions
Luxembourg:	whole territory.'

ANNEX II

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Germany: all regions except the *Länder* of Thüringen, Sachsen, Brandenburg, Mecklenburg-Vorpommern, Sachsen-Anhalt, Rheinland-Pfalz.'