COMMISSION

COMMISSION DECISION

of 14 February 2000

amending Decision 97/296/EC drawing up the list of third countries from which the import of fishery products is authorised for human consumption

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(Text with EEA relevance)

(2000/170/EC)

THE COMMISSION OF THE EUROPEAN COMMUNITIES,

Having regard to the Treaty establishing the European Community,

Having regard to Council Decision 95/408/EC of 22 June 1995 on the conditions for drawing up, for an interim period, provisional lists of third country establishments from which Member States are authorised to import certain products of animal origin, fishery products or live bivalve molluscs [1], as last amended by Decision 98/603/EC [2], and in particular Article 2(2) and Article 7 thereof,

Whereas:

(1) Commission Decision 97/296/EC [3], as last amended by Decision 2000/88/EC [4], lists the countries and territories from which importation of fishery products for human consumption is authorised. Part I of the Annex lists the names of the countries and territories covered by a specific decision and Part II names those qualifying under Article 2(2) of Decision 95/408/EC.

(2) Given the seriousness of the deficiencies observed during an inspection visit to Cape Verde, imports of fishery products from this country should not be authorised and, therefore, this country shall be deleted from the list.

(3) 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 Annex to the present Decision replaces the Annex to Decision 97/296/EC.

Article 2

This Decision is addressed to the Member States.

Done at Brussels, 14 February 2000.

For the Commission

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Member of the Commission

[1] OJ L 243, 11.10.1995, p. 17.
[2] OJ L 289, 28.10.1998, p. 36.
[3] OJ L 122, 14.5.1997, p. 21.
[4] OJ L 26, 2.2.2000, p. 47.

ANNEX

List of countries and territories from which importation of fishery products in any form intended for human consumption is authorised

I. *Countries and territories covered by a specific decision under Council Directive 91/493/EEC*

AL — Albania
AR — Argentina
AU — Australia
BD — Bangladesh
BR — Brazil
CA — Canada
CI — Côte d'Ivoire
CL — Chile
CN — China
CO — Colombia
CU — Cuba
EC — Ecuador
EE — Estonia
FK — Falkland Islands
FO — Faeroe Islands
GH — Ghana
GM — Gambia
GT — Guatemala
ID — Indonesia
IN — India
JP — Japan
KR — South Korea
LT — Lithuania
LV — Latvia
MA — Morocco
MG — Madagascar
MR — Mauritania
MU — Mauritius
MV — Maldives
MX — Mexico
MY — Malaysia
NG — Nigeria
NZ — New Zealand
OM — Oman
PA — Panama
PE — Peru
PH — Philippines
PK — Pakistan
RU — Russia
SC — Seychelles
SG — Singapore
SN — Senegal
TH — Thailand
TN — Tunisia
TW — Taiwan
TZ — Tanzania
UY — Uruguay
VN — Vietnam
YE — Yemen
ZA — South Africa

II. *Countries and territories meeting the terms of Article 2(2) of Council Decision 95/408/EC*

AO — Angola
AG — Antigua and Barbuda [1]
AN — Netherlands Antilles
AZ — Azerbaijan [2]
BJ — Benin
BS — Bahamas
BY — Belarus
BZ — Belize
CH — Switzerland
CM — Cameroon
CR — Costa Rica
CY — Cyprus
CZ — Czech Republic
DZ — Algeria
ER — Eritrea
FJ — Fiji
GA — Gabon
GD — Grenada
GL — Greenland
GN — Guinea Conakry
HK — Hong Kong
HN — Honduras
HR — Croatia
HU — Hungary [3]
IL — Israel
IR — Iran
JM — Jamaica
KE — Kenya
LK — Sri Lanka
MM — Myanmar
MT — Malta
MZ — Mozambique
NA — Namibia
NC — New Caledonia
NI — Nicaragua
PF — French Polynesia
PG — Papua New Guinea
PL — Poland
PM — Saint Pierre and Miquelon
RO — Romania
SB — Solomon Islands
SH — Saint Helena
SI — Slovenia
SR — Suriname
TG — Togo
TR — Turkey
UG — Uganda
US — United States of America
VC — Saint Vincent and the Grenadines
VE — Venezuela
ZW — Zimbabwe

[1] Authorised only for imports of fresh fish.
[2] Authorised only for imports of caviar.
[3] Authorised only for import of live animals intended for direct human consumption.