COMMISSION DECISION

of 4 April 2001

amending Decision 2000/574/EC on certain protective measures in respect of infectious salmon anaemia in salmonids in the Faeroe Islands

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(Text with EEA relevance)

(2001/312/EC)

THE COMMISSION OF THE EUROPEAN COMMUNITIES,

Having regard to the Treaty establishing the European Community,

Having regard to Council Directive 91/496/EEC of 15 July 1991 laying down the principles governing the organisation of veterinary checks on animals entering the Community from non-member countries and amending Directives 89/662/EEC, 90/425/EEC and 90/675/EEC [1], as last amended by Directive 96/43/EC [2], and in particular Article 18(7) thereof,

Having regard to Council Directive 97/78/EC of 18 December 1997 laying down the principles governing the organisation of veterinary checks on products entering the Community from non-member countries [3], and in particular Article 22 thereof,

Whereas:

(1) In September 2000 the Commission adopted Decision 2000/574/EC on certain protective measures in respect of infectious salmon anaemia (ISA) in salmonids in the Faeroe Islands [4].

(2) The measures adopted are applicable until 1 April 2001.

(3) In the light of the epidemiological situation with regard to ISA in the Faeroe Islands, the measures of Decision 2000/574/EC shall be extended to 1 February 2002.

(4) The measures provided for in this Decision are in accordance with the opinion of the Standing Veterinary Committee,

HAS ADOPTED THIS DECISION:

Article 1

In Article 4 of Decision 2000/574/EC the words '1 April 2001' are replaced by '1 February 2002'.

Article 2

This Decision is addressed to the Member States.

Done at Brussels, 4 April 2001.

For the Commission

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Member of the Commission

[1] OJ L 268, 24.9.1991, p. 56.
[2] OJ L 162, 1.7.1996, p. 1.
[3] OJ L 24, 30.1.1998, p. 9.
[4] OJ L 240, 23.9.2000, p. 26.