COMMISSION DECISION

of 28 November 2001

amending Decision 93/402/EEC concerning animal health conditions and veterinary certification for imports of fresh meat from South American countries and in particular as regards to Brazil

(notified under document number C(2001) 3802)

(Text with EEA relevance)

(2001/842/EC)

THE COMMISSION OF THE EUROPEAN COMMUNITIES,

Having regard to the Treaty establishing the European Community,

Having regard to 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 Regulation (EC) No 1452/2001 [2], and in particular Articles 15, 16(1), and 22 thereof,

Whereas:

(1) The animal health conditions and veterinary certification for imports of fresh meat from Argentina, Brazil, Chile, Colombia, Paraguay and Uruguay are laid down by Commission Decision 93/402/EEC of 10 June 1993 concerning animal health conditions and veterinary certification for imports of fresh meat from South American countries [3], as last amended by Decision 2001/767/EC [4].

(2) Outbreaks of foot-and-mouth disease were confirmed in the region of Rio Grande do Sul in Brazil starting on 9 May 2001 and a program of vaccination of bovines against foot-and-mouth disease has been introduced.

(3) The Commission suspended the importation from the region of Rio Grande do Sul into the Community of all categories of fresh meat from those species susceptible to foot-and-mouth disease by Commission Decision 2001/410/EC [5] amending Decision 93/402/EEC with the effect of deleting the region in question from the list of Brazilian regions from which imports of such fresh meat are authorised.

(4) A Commission mission took place, from 22 to 26 October 2001, in order to examine the epidemiological situation regarding foot-and-mouth disease and the control measures in place.

(5) This examination showed that the competent veterinary authorities of Brazil have addressed the concerns identified during previous missions, and that the disease situation has now stabilised. It is therefore appropriate to lift the suspension of imports into the Community of deboned fresh meat for human consumption, and of certain meat and offal for direct treatment for pet food, and to reintroduce to that effect the region of Rio Grande do Sul into the list of Annex I to Decision 93/402/EEC.

(6) Decision 2001/410/EC also provided for a clarification of the conditions applicable for Uruguay but this clarification is now consolidated by Decision 2001/767/EC and therefore Decision 2001/410/EC can be repealed in its entirety.

(7) Council Directive 93/119/EC [6] requires that the veterinary health certificate accompanying meat to be imported from third countries to the European Community must be supplemented by an attestation certifying that the animals have been slaughtered under conditions which offer guarantees of humane treatment at least equivalent to the relevant provisions of the Directive; it is opportune to introduce this certification requirement into the model health certificate itself at the time when other amendments to the model are required.

(8) It is also opportune to update the model veterinary certificates to require the container number and corresponding seal number to be included on the certificates and also to provide for an attestation on the protection of animals at the time of slaughter.

(9) Decision 93/402/EEC should therefore be amended accordingly and Decision 2001/410/EC should be repealed.

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

[1] OJ L 302, 31.12.1972, p. 28.
[2] OJ L 198, 21.7.2001, p. 11.
[3] OJ L 179, 22.7.1993, p. 11.
[4] OJ L 288, 1.11.2001, p. 51.
[5] OJ L 145, 31.5.2001, p. 49.
[6] OJ L 340, 31.12.1993, p. 21.

HAS ADOPTED THIS DECISION:

Article 1

Annexes I, II and III to Decision 93/402/EEC are replaced by the corresponding Annexes to this Decision.

Article 2

Decision 2001/410/EC is hereby repealed.

Article 3

This Decision shall apply from 1 December 2001 after being reviewed at the Standing Veterinary Committee scheduled for 20 to 21 November 2001.

Article 4

This Decision is addressed to the Member States.

Done at Brussels, 28 November 2001.

For the Commission

David BYRNE

Member of the Commission

ANNEX

'ANNEX I

Description of territories of South America established for animal health certification purposes

Country	Territory		Description of territory
	Code	Version	
Argentina	AR	01/2001	Whole country
Brazil	BR	01/93	Whole country
	BR-1	02/2001	States of: Rio Grande do Sul; Paraná, Minas Gerais (except regional delegations of Oliveira, Passos, São Gonçalo de Sapucai, Setelagoas and Bambuí), São Paulo, Espírito Santo, Mato Grosso do Sul (except for the municipalities of Sonora, Aquidauana, Bodoquena, Bonito, Caracol, Coxim, Jardim, Ladario, Miranda, Pedro Gomes, Porto Murtinho, Rio Negro, Rio Verde of Mato Grosso and Corumba), Santa Catarina Goias and the regional units of Cuiaba (except for the municipalities of San Antonio de Leverger, Nossa Senhora do Livramento, Pocone and Barão de Melgaço), Caceres (except for the municipality of Caceres), Lucas do Rio Verde, Rondonopolis (except for the municipality of Itiquiora), Barra do Garças and Barra do Bugres in Mato Grosso
Chile	CL	01/93	Whole country
Colombia	CO	01/93	Whole country
	CO-1	01/93	The zone included within the following borderlines: from the point where the Murri River flows into the Atrato River, downstream along the Atrato River to where it flows into the Atlantic Ocean, from this point to the Panamanian border following the Atlantic coastline to Cabo Tiburon; from this point to the Pacific Ocean following the Columbian-Panamanian border; from this point to the mouth of the Valle River along the Pacific Coast and from this point along a straight line to the point where the Murri River flows into the Atrato River
	CO-2	01/93	The municipalities of Arboletas, Necocli, San Pedro de Uraba, Turbo, Apartado, Chigorodo, Mutata, Dabeiba, Uramita, Murindo, Riosucio (right bank of the Atrato River) and Frontino
	CO-3	01/93	The zone included within the following borderlines: from the mouth of the Sinu River on the Atlantic Ocean, upstream along the Sinu River to its head-waters of Alto Paramillo, from this point to Puerto Rey on the Atlantic Ocean, following the borderline between the Department of Antiquia and Cordoba, and from this point to the mouth of the Sinu River along the Atlantic Coast
Paraguay	PY	01/93	Whole country
Uruguay	UY	01/2001	Whole country'

'ANNEX II

ANIMAL HEALTH GUARANTEES REQUESTED ON CERTIFICATION (1)

Country	Territory	Model certificate for fresh meat				Model certificate for offal							Model certificate for de-boned fresh meat (not to be used for offal)			
		Species				of bovine animals						of ovines	Species			
		Bovine	Ovine-caprine	Porcine	Soliped	HC	MP				PF	PF	Bovine	Ovine-Caprine	Porcine	Soliped
							1	2	3	4						
Argentina	AR	—	—	—	D	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	D
Brazil	BR	—	—	—	D	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	D
	BR-1	—	—	—	D	—	—	—	—	—	F (5)	—	A (5)	—	—	D
Chile	CL	B	B	H	D	B	B	B	B	B	B	B	A	C	H	D
Colombia	CO	—	—	—	D	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	D
	CO-1	—	—	—	D	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	A	—	—	D
	CO-2	—	—	—	D	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	D
	CO-3	—	—	—	D	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	A	—	—	D
Paraguay	PY	—	—	—	D	—	—	—	—	—	F	—	A	—	—	D
Uruguay	UY	B (2)	B (2)	—	D	B (2)	B (3)	B (3)	B (3)	B (3)	F B (3)	F B (3)	A (4)	C (4)	—	D

(1) The letters (A, B, C, D, E, F, G and H) appearing on the table, are referring to the models of animal health guarantees as described in Annex III Part 2 of this Decision, to be applied for each product and origin in accordance with Article 2 of this Decision; a dash (—) indicates that imports are not authorised.
HC: Human consumption.
MP: Destined for heat-treated meat products industry:
1 = hearts.
2 = livers.
3 = masseter muscles.
4 = tongues.
PF: Destined for the pet food industry.
(2) Only to be used for meat from animals slaughtered before the 23 March 2001.
(3) Only to be used for offal from animals slaughtered before the 23 April 2001.
(4) Only to be used for de-boned meat from animals slaughtered before the 23 April 2001 and/or after the 1 November 2001.
(5) In the case of Rio Grande do Sul only to be used for de-boned meat or offal for pet food from animals slaughtered before the 9 May 2001 and/or after the 30 November 2001.'

'*ANNEX III*

PART 1

ANIMAL HEALTH CERTIFICATE

Not to the importer: this certificate is for veterinary purposes only and must accompany the consignment until it reaches the border inspection post.

Country of destination: .....

Reference No of the public health certificate [1]: .....

Exporting country: ..... Territory code: .....

Ministry: .....

Department: .....

References: .....
(optional)

I. **Identification of meat**

Meat of: .....
(animal species)

Nature of cuts: .....

Type of packaging: .....

Number of cuts or packages: .....

Net weight: .....

II. **Origin of meat**

Address(es) and veterinary approval number(s) [2] of the approved slaughterhouse(s): .....

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Addrese(es) and veterinary approval number(s) [2] of the approved cutting plant(s): .....

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Address(es) and veterinary approval number(s) [2] of the approved cold store(s): .....

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III. **Destination of meat**

The meat will be sent from: .....
(place of loading)

to: .....
(country and place of destination)

by the following means of transport [3]: .....

Name and address of consignor: .....

Name and address of consignee: .....

Name and address of the processing establishment [4]: .....

[1] Optional.
[2] Optional when the country of destination authorizes the importation of fresh meat for uses other than human consumption in implementation of Article 19(a) of Council Directive 72/462/EEC.
[3] For aircraft the flight number and for ships the name should be given where known; for bulk containers the number of the container and the number of the seal must be indicated.
[4] For offal described in Article 1(c) intended for the manufacture of heat-treated, meat-based products or for heat-treated pet food.

PART 2

Model A

IV. **Attestation of health**

I the undersigned, official veterinarian, certify that:

1. The de-boned fresh meat ([5]) described above is obtained from:
   - — animals which have remained in the territory described in Annex I of Commission Decision 93/402/EEC with code …, version No … for at least three months before being slaughtered or since birth in the case of animals less than three months old,
   - — animals having spent this period in a region in which foot-and-mouth disease vaccination programmes of bovine animals is regularly carried out and officially controlled,
   - — animals which come from holdings which are not under official restriction for health reasons where, there has been no outbreak of foot-and-mouth disease in the previous 60 days, and around which, within a radius of 25 km there has been no case of foot-and-mouth disease for 30 days,
   - — animals which have remained in their holding of origin for at least forty days before departure and which have been transported direct to the approved slaugtherhouse concerned without passing through a market, without contact with animals which do not comply with the conditions required for export of their meat to the Community, and if conveyed in a means of transport, the latter has been cleaned and disinfected before loading,
   - — animals which have passed the ante-mortem health inspection, referred to in Chapter VI of Annex I to Directive 64/433/EEC as amended, at the slaughterhouse during the 24 hours before slaughter and have in particular been subject to examination of the mouth and feet and showed no evidence of foot-and-mouth disease,
2. The de-boned fresh meat is obtained from an establishment or establishments in which, after a case of foot-and-mouth disease has been diagnosed, further preparation of meat for export to the European Community has only been authorized after slaughter of all animals present, removal of all meat, and the total cleaning and disinfection of the establishment(s) under the control of an official veterinarian.
3. The deboned fresh meat described above originates from carcases
   (i) which have matured at an ambient temperature of more than + 2 °C for at least 24 hours before the bones were removed and
   (ii) in which, after maturation and before the bones were removed, the pH value measured electronically in the middle of the longissimus dorsi muscle has been recorded as less than 6,0 in each case.
4. Date of animal slaughter ([6]) ……

V. **Attestation on protection on animals**

I, the undersigned official veterinarian, hereby certify that:

1. I have read and understood Council Directive 93/119/EC,
2. The meat is derived from animals which have been treated in the slaughterhouse before and at the time of slaughter in accordance with the relevant provisions of Council Directive 93/119/EC.

Done at ……, on ……
(place) (date)

Stamp ([7])

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(signature of official veterinarian) ([7])

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(name in capital letters, title and qualifications of signatory) ([7])

([5]) De-boned fresh meat: meat as laid down in the definition of Article 1 of the Commission Decision 94/302/EC.
([6]) Member States shall not authorize the importation of meat obtained from animals slaughtered prior to the date of authorization of that territory under Annex I or during a period when restrictive measures have been implemented by the Commission.
([7]) The signature and the stamp must be in a different colour to that of the printing.

Model B

IV. **Attestation of health**

I the undersigned, official veterinarian, certify that:

1. The fresh meat described above is obtained from:
   - — animals born, reared and slaughtered in the territory described in Annex I of Commission Decision 93/402/EEC with code …, version No … which has been free for 12 months of foot-and-mouth disease and rinderpest and during the same period, no vaccination against these diseases have taken place,
   - — animals which come from holdings in which there has been no outbreak of foot-and-mouth disease in the previous 30 days, and around which within a radius of 10 km there has been no case of foot-and-mouth disease for 30 days,
   - — animals which have been transported from their holdings of origin to the approved slaughterhouse concerned without contact with animals which do not comply with the conditions required for export of their meat to the Community, and, if conveyed in a means of transport, that the latter has been cleaned and desinfected before loading,
   - — animals which have passed the ante-mortem health inspection referred to in Directive 72/462/EEC at the slaughterhouse during the 24 hours before slaughter and have showed no evidence of foot-and-mouth disease,
   - — in the case of fresh meat from sheep and goats, animals which have not come from a holding which for health reasons is subject to prohibition as a result of an outbreak of ovine or caprine brucellossis during the previous six weeks.
2. The fresh meat described above is obtained from an establishment or establishments in which, after a case of foot-and-mouth disease has been diagnosed, further preparation of meat for export to the Community has been authorised only after slaughter of all animals present, removal of all meat, and the total cleaning and disinfection of the establishments under the control of an official veterinarian.
3. Date of animal slaughter [8] ……

V. **Attestation on protection of animals**

I, the undersigned official veterinarian, hereby certify that:

1. I have read and understood Council Directive 93/119/EC,
2. The meat is derived from animals which have been treated in the slaughterhouse before and at the time of slaughter in accordance with the relevant provisions of Council Directive 92/119/EC.

Done at ……, on ……
(place) (date)

Stamp [9]

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(signature of official veterinarian) [9]

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(name in capital letters, title and qualification of signatory) [9]

[8] Member States shall not authorize the importation of meat obtained from animals slaughtered prior to the date of authorization of that territory under Annex I or during a period when restrictive measures have been implemented by the Commission.
[9] The signature and the stamp must be in a different colour to that of the printing.

Model C

IV. **Attestation of health**

I the undersigned, official veterinarian, certify that:

1. The de-boned fresh meat of ovine and caprine species [10] [11] described above is obtained from:
   - — animals which have remained in the territory described in Annex I of Commission Decision 93/402/EEC with code …, version No … for at least three months before being slaughtered or since birth in the case of animals less than three months old,
   - — animals having spent this period in a region in which foot-and-mouth disease vaccination programmes of bovine animals is regularly carried out and officially controlled,
   - — animals which come from holdings which are not under official restriction for health reasons where, there has been no outbreak of foot-and-mouth disease in the previous 90 days, and around which, within a radius of 50 km there has been no case of foot-and-mouth disease for 60 days,
   - — animals which have remained in their holding of origin for at least forty days before departure and which have been transported direct to the approved slaughterhouse concerned without passing through a market, without contact with animals which do not comply with the conditions required for export of their meat to the Community, and if conveyed in a means of transport, the latter has been cleaned and disinfected before loading,
   - — animals which have passed the ante-mortem health inspection, referred to in chapter VI of Annex I to Directive 64/433/EEC as amended, at the slaughterhouse during the 24 hours before slaughter and have in particular been subject to examination of the mouth and feet and showed no evidence of foot-and-mouth disease,
   - — animals which have not come from a holding which for health reasons is subject to prohibiton as a result of an outbreak of ovine or caprine brucellosis during the previous six weeks.
2. The de-boned fresh meat is obtained from an establishment or establishments in which, after a case of foot-and-mouth disease has been diagnosed, further preparation of meat for export to the European Community has only been authorized after slaughter of all animals present, removal of all meat, and the total cleaning and desinfection of the establishment(s) under the control of an official veterinarian.
3. The deboned fresh meat described above originates from carcases
   (i) which have matured at an ambient temperature of more than + 2 °C for at least 24 hours before the bones were removed and
   (ii) in which, after maturation and before the bones were removed, the pH value measured electronically in the middle of the longissimus dorsi muscle has been recorded as less than 6,0 in each case.
4. Date of animal slaughter [12] ……

V. **Attestation on protection of animals**

I, the undersigned official veterinarian, hereby certify that:

1. I have read and understood Council Directive 93/119/EC,
2. The meat is derived from animals which have been treated in the slaughterhouse before and at the time of slaughter in accordance with the relevant provisions of Council Directive 93/119/EC.

Done at ……, on ……
(place) (date)

Stamp [13]

……
(signature of official veterinarian) [13]

……
(name in capital letters, title and qualification of signatory) [13]

[10] De-boned fresh meat: meat as laid down in the definition of Article 1 of Commission Decision 94/302/EC.
[11] This meat shall not enter the importing Community territory for at least 21 days from the date of slaughter.
[12] Member States shall not authorize the importation of meat obtained from animals slaughtered prior to the date of authorization of that territory under Annex I or during a period when restrictive measures have been implemented by the Commission.
[13] The signature and the stamp must be in a different colour to that of the printing.

Model D

IV. **Attestation of health**

I the undersigned, official veterinarian, certify that the fresh meat described above is obtained from animals which have remained in the territory described in Annex I of Commission Decision 93/402/EEC with code …, version No … for at least three months before being slaughtered or since birth in the case of animals less than three months old.

Date of animal slaughter [14] ……

V. **Attestation on protection of animals**

I, the undersigned official veterinarian, hereby certify that:

1. I have read and understood Council Directive 93/119/EC,
2. The meat is derived from animals which have been treated in the slaughterhouse before and at the time of slaughter in accordance with the relevant provisions of Council Directive 93/119/EC.

Done at ……, on ……
(place) (date)

Stamp [15]

……
(signature of official veterinarian) [15]

……
(name in capital letters, title and qualification of signatory) [15]

[14] Member States shall not authorize the importation of meat obtained from animals slaughtered prior to the date of authorization of that territory under Annex I or during a period when restrictive measures have been implemented by the Commission.
[15] The signature and the stamp must be in a different colour to that of the printing.

Model E

IV. **Attestation of health**

I the undersigned, official veterinarian, certify that:

1. The offal ([16]) described above is obtained from:
   - bovine animals which have remained in the territory described in Annex I of Commission Decision 93/402/EEC with code … version No … for at least three months before being slaughtered or since birth in the case of animals less than three months old,
   - bovine animals having spent this period in a region in which foot-and-mouth disease vaccination programmes of bovine animals is regularly carried out and officially controlled,
   - bovine animals which come from holdings which are not under official restriction for health reasons where, there has been no outbreak of foot-and-mouth disease in the previous 12 months, and around which, within a radius of 100 km there has been no case of foot-and-mouth disease for 12 months,
   - bovine animals which have remained in their holding of origin for at least forty days before departure and which have been transported direct to the approved slaughterhouse concerned without passing through a market, without contact with animals which do not comply with the conditions required for export of their meat to the Community, and if conveyed in a means of transport, the latter has been cleaned and disinfected before loading,
   - bovine animals which have passed the ante-mortem health inspection, referred to in Chapter VI of Annex I to Directive 64/433/EEC as amended, at the slaughterhouse during the 24 hours before slaughter and have in particular been subject to examination of the mouth and feet and showed no evidence of foot-and-mouth disease.
2. The offal is obtained from an establishment or establishments in which, after a case of foot-and-mouth disease has been diagnosed, further preparation of meat for export to the European Community has only been authorised after slaughter of all animals present, removal of all meat, and the total cleaning and disinfection of the establishment(s) under the control of an official veterinarian.
3. The offal described above has matured at a room temperature of more than + 2 °C for at least three hours, or, in the case of masseter muscles, for at least 24 hours.
4. Date of animal slaughter ([17]) ……

V. **Attestation on protection of animals**

I, the undersigned official veterinarian, hereby certify that:

1. I have read and understood Council Directive 93/119/EC,
2. The meat is derived from animals which have been treated in the slaughterhouse before and at the time of slaughter in accordance with the relevant provisions of Council Directive 93/119/EC.

Done at ……, on ……
(place) (date)

Stamp ([18])

……
(signature of official veterinarian) ([18])

……
(name in capital letters, title and qualification of signatory) ([18])

([16]) Only the offal of bovine animals intended for manufacture of heat-treated meat products is authorized for human consumption, in accordance with Article 3 of Decision 93/402/EEC.

([17]) Member States shall not authorize the importation of meat obtained from animals slaughtered prior to the date of authorization of that territory under Annex I or during a period when restrictive measures have been implemented by the Commission.

([18]) The signature and the stamp must be in a different colour ot that of the printing.

Model F

IV. **Attestation of health**

I the undersigned, official veterinarian, certify that:

1. The offal ([19]) described above is subjected to the checks and heat treatments laid down in Commission Decision 93/402/EEC and is obtained from:
   — bovine animals which have remained in the territory described in Annex I of Commission Decision 93/402/EEC with code …, Version No… for at least three months before being slaughtered of since birth in the case of animals less than three months old,
   — bovine animals having spent this period in a region in which foot-and-mouth disease vaccination programmes of bovine animals is regularly carried out and officially controlled;
   — bovine animals which come from holdings which are not under official restriction for health reasons where, there has been no outbreak of foot-and-mouth disease in the previous 60 days, and around which, within a radius of 25 km there has been no case of foot-and-mouth disease for 30 days,
   — bovine animals which have passed the ante-mortem health inspection, referred to in Chapter VI of the Annex I to Directive 64/433/EEC as amended, at the slaughterhouse during the 24 hours before slaughter and have in particular been subject to examination of the mouth and feet and showed no evidence of foot-and-mouth disease.
2. The offal is obtained from an establishment or establishments in which, after a case of foot-and-mouth disease has been diagnosed, further preparation of meat for export to the European Community has only been authorized after slaughter of all animals present, removal of all meat, and the total cleaning and disinfection of the establishment(s) under the control of an official veterinarian.
3. The offal described above has matured at an ambient temperature of more than + 2 °C for at least three hours, or, in the case of masseter muscles, for at least 24 hours.
4. Date of animal slaughter ([20]) ……

V. **Attestation on protection of animals**

I, the undersigned official veterinarian, hereby certify that:

1. I have read and understood Council Directive 93/119/EC,
2. The meat is derived from animals which have been treated in the slaughterhouse before and at the time of slaughter in accordance with the relevant provisions of Council Directive 93/119/EC.

Done at ……, on ……
(place) (date)

Stamp ([21])

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(signature of official veterinarian) ([21])

……
(name in capital letters, title and qualification of signatory) ([21])

([19]) Only the following offal of bovine animals intended exclusively for the manufacture of pet food is authorized for importation; livers from which lymphatic glands adhering connective tissue and fat have been completely removed and, in accordance with Article 18(2) of Directive 72/462/EEC; whole masseter muscles, incised in accordance with paragraph 41(A) of Chapter VIII of Annex I to Directive 64/433/EEC, from which lymphatic glands adhering connective tissue and fat have been completely removed; trimmed lungs from which the trachea and main bronchi and the mediastinal and bronchial lymphatic glands have been removed and other offal without bone or cartilage from which lymphatic glands, adhering connective tissue, fat and mucus have been completely removed.

([20]) Member States shall not authorize the importation of meat obtained from animals slaughtered prior to the date of authorization of that territory under Annex I or during a period when restrictive measures have been implemented by the Commission.

([21]) The signature and the stamp must be in a different colour to that of the printing.

Model G

IV. **Attestation of health**

I the undersigned, official veterinarian, certify that:

1. The offal described above is obtained from:
   — ovine animals ([22]) which have remained in the territory described in Annex I to Commission Decision 93/402/EEC with code …, version No … for at least three months before being slaughtered or since birth in the case of animals less than three months old,
   — ovine animals having spent this period in a region in which foot-and-mouth disease vaccination programs of bovine animals are regularly carried out and officially controlled,
   — ovine animals which come from holdings where there has been no outbreak of foot-and-mouth disease in the previous 60 days and around which, within a radius of 25 km, there has been no case of foot-and-mouth disease for 30 days,
   — ovine animals which have passed the ante-mortem health inspection referred to in Chapter VI of Annex I to Directive 64/433/EEC at a slaughterhouse during the 24 hours before slaughter and have in particular been subject to examination of the mouth and feet and have shown no evidence of foot-and-mouth disease.
2. The offal is obtained from an establishment or establishments in which, after a case of foot-and-mouth disease has been diagnosed, further preparation of offal for export to the European Community has only been authorized after slaughter of all animals present, removal of all meat, and the total cleaning and disinfection of the establishment(s) under the control of an official veterinarian.
3. The offal described above has matured at an ambient temperature of more than + 2 °C for at least three hours.
4. Date of slaughter ([23]) ……

V. **Attestation on protection of animals**

I, the undersigned official veterinarian, hereby certify that:

1. I have read and understood Council Directive 93/119/EC,
2. The meat is derived from animals which have been treated in the slaughterhouse before and at the time of slaughter in accordance with the relevant provisions of Council Directive 93/119/EC.

Done at ……, on ……
(place) (date)

Stamp ([24])

……
(signature of official veterinarian) ([24])

……
(name in capital letters, title and qualification of signatory) ([24])

([22]) Only the following offal of ovine animals intended exclusively for the manufacture of heat-treated pet food is authorized for importation: livers from which lymphatic glands, adhering connective tissue and fat have been completely removed. Trimmed lungs from which the trachea and main bronchi and the mediastinal and bronchial lymphatic glands have been removed and other offal without bone or cartilage from which lymphatic glands, adhering connective tissue, fat and mucus have been completely removed may also be imported. Such importation is only permitted subject to the system of channelling and to the checks and treatments laid down in Commission Decision 93/402/EEC.

([23]) Member States shall not authorize the importation of meat obtained from animals slaughtered prior to the date of authorization of that territory under Annex I or during a period when restrictive measures have been implemented by the Commission.

([24]) The signature and the stamp must be in a different colour to that of the printing.

Model H

IV. **Attestation of health**

I the undersigned, official veterinarian, certify that:

1. the territory described in Annex I to Commission Decision 93/402/EEC with code …, version No …, has been free for 12 months from classical swine fever, rinderpest, foot-and-mouth disease, African swine fever, swine vesicular disease and porcine enteroviral encephalomyelitis in domestic pigs and during the same period no vaccinations against these diseases have taken place;

2. the fresh meat ([25]) described above is obtained from porcine animals:
   - which have remained in the territory as described under IV.1 for at least three months before being slaughtered or since birth in the case of animals less than three months old,
   - which come from holdings in which there has been no outbreak of foot-and-mouth disease or swine vesicular disease in the previous 30 days or swine fever in the previous 40 days and around which, within a radius of 10 km there has been no case of these diseases for 30 days,
   - which have been transported from their holdings of origin to the approved slaughterhouse concerned without contact with animals which do not comply with the conditions required for export of their meat to the Community, and, if conveyed in a means of transport, that the latter has been cleaned and disinfected before loading,
   - which have passed the ante-mortem health inspection referred to in Directive 72/462/EEC at the slaughterhouse during the 24 hours before slaughter and, in particular, have showed no evidence of foot-and-mouth disease,
   - which have not come from a holding which for health reasons is subject to prohibition as a result of an outbreak of porcine brucellosis during the previous six weeks.

3. The fresh meat described above is obtained from an establishment or establishments in which, after a case of foot-and-mouth disease has been diagnosed, further preparation of meat for export to the Community has been authorised only after slaughter of all animals present, removal of all meat, and the total cleaning and disinfection of the establishments under the control of an official veterinarian.

4. Date of animal slaughter ([26]) ……

V. **Attestation on protection of animals**

I, the undersigned official veterinarian, hereby certify that:

1. I have read and understood Council Directive 93/119/EC,

2. The meat is derived from animals which have been treated in the slaughterhouse before and at the time of slaughter in accordance with the relevant provisions of Council Directive 93/119/EC.

Done at ……, on ……
(place) (date)

Stamp ([27])

……
(signature of official veterinarian) ([27])

……
(name in capital letters, title and qualification of signatory) ([27])

([25]) Fresh meat: meat as laid down in the definition of Article 1 of Decision 94/302/EC.
([26]) Member States shall not authorise the importation of meat obtained from animals slaughtered prior to the date of authorisation of that territory under Annex I or during a period when restrictive measures have been implemented by the Commission.
([27]) The signature and the stamp must be in a different colour to that of the printing.'