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COMMISSION

COMMISSION DECISION

of 21 February 2003

authorising Member States to take decisions under Directive 1999/105/EC on forest reproductive material produced in third countries

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(2003/122/EC)

THE COMMISSION OF THE EUROPEAN COMMUNITIES,

Having regard to the Treaty establishing the European Community,

Having regard to the Council Directive 1999/105/EC of 22 December 1999 on the marketing of forest reproductive material [1], and in particular Article 19(3) thereof,

Whereas:

(1) Pursuant to Article 19(1) of Directive 1999/105/EC, the Council on a proposal from the Commission is to determine whether forest reproductive material produced in a third country affords the same assurances as regards the approval of its basic material and the measures taken for its production with a view to marketing as does forest reproductive material produced within the Community and complying with the provisions of that Directive.

(2) However, the information presently available on the conditions applying in third countries is still not sufficient to enable the Community to make any such decision in respect of any third country.

(3) Therefore, in order to prevent trade patterns from being disrupted, Member States should be authorised to take such decisions. Such authorisation aims to ensure that the material imported offers equivalent guarantees to those applicable to forest reproductive material produced in the Community in accordance with that Directive.

(4) The measures provided for in this Decision are in accordance with the opinion of the Standing Committee on Seeds and Propagating Material for Agriculture, Horticulture and Forestry,

HAS ADOPTED THIS DECISION:

Article 1

Member States are authorised to take decisions under Article 19(3) of Directive 1999/105/EC with regard to forest reproductive material produced in third countries listed in the Annex, and in respect of the species, types of basic material and categories set out therein.

Article 2

Member States shall immediately notify the Commission and other Member States of the decisions taken pursuant to this Decision, and of any withdrawal of such decisions.

Article 3

The authorisation provided for in Article 1 shall expire on 31 December 2005.

Article 4

This Decision is addressed to the Member States.

Done at Brussels, 21 February 2003.

For the Commission

David BYRNE

Member of the Commission

[1] OJ L 11, 15.1.2000, p. 17.

ANNEX

Country of origin	Species	Category	Type of basic material
Canada (British Columbia)	*Abies grandis* Lindl.	SI, Q, T	SS, St, SO, PF
	Picea sitchensis Carr.	SI, Q	SS, St, SO
	Pinus contorta Loud.	SI	SS, St
	Pseudotsuga menziesii Franco	SI, Q, T	SS, St, SO, PF
Czech Republic	*Abies alba* Mill.	SI	SS, St
	Acer platanoides L.	SI	SS, St
	Acer pseudoplatanus L.	SI	SS, St
	Betula pendula Roth.	SI	SS, St
	Betula pubescens Ehrh.	SI	SS, St
	Fagus sylvatica L.	SI	SS, St
	Fraxinus excelsior L.	SI	SS, St
	Larix decidua Mill.	SI	SS, St
	Larix kaempferi Carr.	SI	SS, St
	Picea abies Karst.	SI	SS, St
	Pinus sylvestris L.	SI	SS, St
	Quercus cerris L.	SI	SS, St
	Quercus petraea Liebl.	SI	SS, St
	Quercus robur L.	SI	SS, St
	Quercus rubra L.	SI	SS, St
	Robinia pseudoacacia L.	SI	SS, St
	Tilia cordata Mill.	SI	SS, St
	Tilia platyphyllos Scop.	SI	SS, St
Estonia	*Picea abies* Karst.	SI	SS, St

Country of origin	Species	Category	Type of basic material
Hungary	*Acer platanoides* L.	SI	SS, St
	Acer pseudoplatanus L.	SI	SS, St
	Alnus glutinosa Gaertn.	SI	SS, St
	Betula pendula Roth.	SI	SS, St
	Carpinus betulus L.	SI	SS, St
	Castanea sativa Mill.	SI	SS, St
	Fagus sylvatica L.	SI	SS, St
	Fraxinus excelsior L.	SI	SS, St
	Larix decidua Mill.	SI	SS, St
	Pinus sylvestris L.	SI	SS, St
	Populus alba L.	SI	SS, St
	Populus x canescens Sm.	SI	SS, St
	Populus nigra L.	SI	SS, St
	Populus tremula L.	SI	SS, St
	Prunus avium L.	SI	SS, St
	Quercus cerris L.	SI	SS, St
	Quercus petraea Liebl.	SI	SS, St
	Quercus robur L.	SI	SS, St
	Quercus rubra L.	SI	SS, St
	Robinia pseudoacacia L.	SI	SS, St
	Tilia cordata Mill.	SI	SS, St
	Tilia platyphyllos Scop.	SI	SS, St
Latvia	*Picea abies* Karst.	SI	SS, St
Lithuania	*Picea abies* Karst.	SI	SS, St
Norway	*Pinus sylvestris* L.	SI	SS, St
	Quercus petraea Liebl.	SI	SS, St
	Quercus robur L.	SI	SS, St

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Poland	*Abies alba* Mill.	SI	SS, St
	Acer platanoides L.	SI	SS, St
	Acer pseudoplatanus L.	SI	SS, St
	Alnus incana Moench.	SI	SS, St
	Betula pendula Roth.	SI	SS, St
	Betula pubescens Ehrh.	SI	SS, St
	Carpinus betulus L.	SI	SS, St
	Larix decidua Mill.	SI	SS, St
	Larix kaempferi Carr.	SI	SS, St
	Picea abies Karst.	SI	SS, St
	Pinus sylvestris L.	SI	SS, St
	Prunus avium L.	SI	SS, St
	Quercus cerris L.	SI	SS, St
	Quercus petraea Liebl.	SI	SS, St
	Quercus robur L.	SI	SS, St
	Quercus rubra L.	SI	SS, St
	Robinia pseudoacacia L.	SI	SS, St
	Tilia cordata Mill.	SI	SS, St
	Tilia platyphyllos Scop.	SI	SS, St
Romania	*Abies alba Mill.*	SI	SS, St
	Acer platanoides L.	SI	SS, St
	Fagus sylvatica L.	SI	SS, St
	Larix decidua Mill.	SI	SS, St
	Picea abies Karst.	SI	SS, St
	Pinus nigra Arnold	SI	SS, St
	Prunus avium L.	SI	SS, St
	Quercus cerris L.	SI	SS, St
	Quercus petraea Liebl.	SI	SS, St
	Quercus robur L.	SI	SS, St
	Quercus rubra L.	SI	SS, St
	Robinia pseudoacacia L.	SI	SS, St

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Slovakia	*Abies alba* Mill.	SI	SS, St
	Acer platanoides L.	SI	SS, St
	Betula pendula Roth.	SI	SS, St
	Fagus sylvatica L.	SI	SS, St
	Larix decidua Mill.	SI	SS, St
	Picea abies Karst.	SI	SS, St
	Prunus avium L.	SI	SS, St
	Quercus petraea Liebl.	SI	SS, St
	Quercus robur L.	SI	SS, St
	Quercus rubra L.	SI	SS, St
	Robinia pseudoacacia L.	SI	SS, St
	Tilia platyphyllos Scop.	SI	SS, St
Slovenia	*Abies alba* Mill.	SI	SS, St
	Acer platanoides L.	SI	SS, St
	Acer pseudoplatanus L.	SI	SS, St
	Alnus incana Moench.	SI	SS, St
	Betula pendula Roth.	SI	SS, St
	Carpinus betulus L.	SI	SS, St
	Fagus sylvatica L.	SI	SS, St
	Larix decidua Mill.	SI	SS, St
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	Quercus robur L.	SI	SS, St
	Quercus rubra L.	SI	SS, St
	Robinia pseudoacacia L.	SI	SS, St
	Tilia cordata Mill.	SI	SS, St
	Tilia platyphyllos Scop.	SI	SS, St

Country of origin	Species	Category	Type of basic material
Switzerland	*Fagus sylvatica* L.	SI	SS, St
United States of America (Washington, Oregon, California)	*Abies grandis* Lindl.	SI, Q, T	SS, St, SO, PF
	Picea sitchensis Carr	SI	SS, St
	Pinus contorta Loud	SI	SS, St
	Pseudotsuga menziesii Franco	SI, Q, T	SS, St, SO, PF

Legend:

Category

SI Source identified
Q Qualified
T Tested

Type of basic material

SS Seed source
St Stand
SO Seed orchard
PF Parents of family