COMMISSION DECISION

of 29 April 2004

approving certain contingency plans for the control of foot-and-mouth disease

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(Text with EEA relevance)
(2004/435/EC)

THE COMMISSION OF THE EUROPEAN COMMUNITIES,

Having regard to the Treaty establishing the European Community,

Having regard to the Treaty of Accession of the Czech Republic, Estonia, Cyprus, Latvia, Lithuania, Hungary, Malta, Poland, Slovenia and Slovakia, and in particular Article 2 (3) thereof,

Having regard to the Act of Accession of the Czech Republic, Estonia, Cyprus, Latvia, Lithuania, Hungary, Malta, Poland, Slovenia and Slovakia, and in particular Article 21 thereof,

Having regard to Council Directive 2003/85/EC of 29 September 2003 on Community measures for the control of foot-and-mouth disease repealing Directive 85/511/EEC and Decisions 89/531/EEC and 91/665/EEC and amending Directive 92/46/EEC[1], and in particular Article 72 (7) thereof,

Whereas:

(1) Commission Decision 93/455/EEC of 23 July 1993 approving certain contingency plans for the control of foot-and-mouth disease[2], approved those plans for the current Member States.

(2) The Czech Republic, Estonia, Cyprus, Latvia, Lithuania, Hungary, Malta, Poland, Slovenia and Slovakia have submitted contingency plans for foot-and-mouth disease for approval.

(3) Those plans fulfil the criteria and requirements laid down in Directive 2003/85/EC and, subject to a regular update and an effective implementation, permit the desired objective to be attained.

(4) Accordingly, the contingency plans submitted by the new Member States should therefore be approved.

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1 OJ L 306, 22.11.2003, p. 1.

2 OJ L 213, 24.8.1993, p. 20. Decision as last amended by Decision 2001/96/EC (OJ L 35, 6.2.2001, p. 52.).

(5) The measures provided for in this Decision are in accordance with the opinion of the Standing Committee on the Food Chain and Animal Health.

HAS ADOPTED THIS DECISION:

Article 1

The contingency plans for the control of foot-and-mouth disease submitted by the new Member States listed in the Annex are approved.

Article 2

This Decision shall apply subject to and as from the date of the entry into force of the Treaty of Accession of the Czech Republic, Estonia, Cyprus, Latvia, Lithuania, Hungary, Malta, Poland, Slovenia and Slovakia.

Article 3

This Decision is addressed to the Member States.

Done at Brussels, 29 April 2004.

For the Commission
David BYRNE
Member of the Commission

ANNEX
List of new Member States as referred to in Article 1

Code	Country
CY	Cyprus
CZ	Czech Republic
EE	Estonia
HU	Hungary
LV	Latvia
LT	Lithuania
MT	Malta
PL	Poland
SI	Slovenia
SK	Slovakia