

# COMMISSION

## COMMISSION DECISION

of 27 July 1998

**amending Decision 98/372/EC concerning animal health conditions and veterinary certification for imports of live animals of bovine and porcine species from certain European countries to take into account some aspects in relation to Croatia and the Czech Republic**

*(notified under document number C(1998) 2239)*

**(Text with EEA relevance)**

(98/505/EC)

THE COMMISSION OF THE EUROPEAN COMMUNITIES,

Having regard to the Treaty establishing the European Community,

Having regard to the 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<sup>(1)</sup>, as last amended by Council Directive 97/79/EC<sup>(2)</sup>, and in particular Articles 6, 8 and 11,

Whereas the animal health conditions and veterinary certification for imports of domestic animals of the bovine and porcine species from certain European countries, were established by Commission Decision 98/372/EC<sup>(3)</sup>;

Whereas some health restrictions were applied by the European Community to some zones of the country due to some problems concerning the veterinary controls in those parts;

Following a recent Community veterinary mission, it appears that the Croatian veterinary services control satisfactorily the whole country;

Whereas, as a result, it is appropriate to make possible the importation of bovine live animals from the whole Croatia;

Whereas the guarantees provided by Croatia as regard bovine tuberculosis and brucellosis can not be considered as equivalent to that of herds in the European Community having the status of officially free;

Whereas animal health conditions and veterinary certification must be adapted according to the animal health

situation of the third country concerned; whereas some supplementary guarantees should be required as regards the tuberculosis and brucellosis on imports of bovine animals from Croatia; whereas these supplementary guarantees will be reviewed on the light of the evolution of the situation;

Whereas the presence of classical swine fever has been confirmed in domestic pig holdings in some areas of the Czech Republic in 1997;

Whereas following the measures adopted by the Czech Authorities, the epidemiological situation in domestic pig holdings has improved and no new outbreaks have occurred since June 1997;

Whereas it is necessary to modify the region where the Classical Swine Fever has been detected in feral pigs, to be adapted to the present situation;

Whereas the measures provided for in this Decision are in accordance with the opinion of the Standing Veterinary Committee,

HAS ADOPTED THIS DECISION:

### *Article 1*

Decision 98/372/EC is amended as follows:

1. Annex I is replaced by Annex I of the present Decision;
2. Annex II is replaced by Annex II of the present Decision;
3. Annex IV is replaced by Annex III of the present Decision.

<sup>(1)</sup> OJ L 302, 31. 12. 1972, p. 28.

<sup>(2)</sup> OJ L 24, 30. 1. 1998, p. 31.

<sup>(3)</sup> OJ L 170, 16. 6. 1998, p. 34.

*Article 2*

This Decision is addressed to the Member States.

Done at Brussels, 27 July 1998.

*For the Commission*

Franz FISCHLER

*Member of the Commission*

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## ANNEX I

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**DESCRIPTION OF TERRITORIES OF CERTAIN EUROPEAN COUNTRIES ESTABLISHED  
FOR ANIMAL HEALTH CERTIFICATION PURPOSES**

Country	Code of territory	Version	Description of territory
ALBANIA	AL	01/98	Whole country
BOSNIA-HERZEGOVINA	BA	01/98	Whole country
BULGARIA	BG	01/98	Whole country
	BG-1	01/98	The provinces of Varna, Dobrich, Silistra, Choumen, Targovichte, Razgrad, Rousse, V. Tarnovo, Gabrovo, Pleven, Lovetch Plovdiv, Smolian, Pasardjik, Sofia district, Sofia city, Pernik, Kustendil, Blagoevgrad, Vratza, Montana and Vidin
	BG-2	01/98	The provinces of Bourgas, Jambol, Sliven, Starazagora, Hasskovo and Kardjali
BELARUS	BY	01/98	Whole country
CZECH REPUBLIC	CZ	01/98	Whole country
	CZ-1	02/98	Whole country excluding the provinces of Breclav, Kromeriz, Vyskov, Hodonin, Uherska Hradiste, Zlin, Znojmo and Prerov
	CZ-2	02/98	The provinces of Breclav, Kromeriz, Vyskov, Hodonin, Uherska Hradiste, Zlin, Znojmo and Prerov
ESTONIA	EE	01/98	Whole country
FEDERAL REUBLIC OF YUGOSLAVIA	FY	01/98	Whole country
	FY-1	01/98	The Federal Republic of Yugoslavia excluding the region of Kosovo and Metohija
	FY-2	01/98	The region of Kosovo and Metohija
CROATIA	HR	01/98	Whole country
HUNGARY	HU	01/98	Whole country

Country	Code of territory	Version	Description of territory
LITHUANIA	LI	01/98	Whole country
LATVIA	LV	01/98	Whole country
FORMER YUGOSLAV REPUBLIC OF MACEDONIA	MK	01/98	Whole country
POLAND	PL	01/98	Whole country
ROMANIA	RO	01/98	Whole country
RUSSIA	RU	01/98	Whole country
SLOVENIA	SI	01/98	Whole country
SLOVAK REPUBLIC	SK	01/98	Whole country'

## ANNEX II

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## ANIMAL HEALTH GUARANTEES REQUESTED ON CERTIFICATION — LIVE ANIMALS

Country	Code	Bovine				Swine			
		Breeding/production		Slaughter		Breeding/production		Slaughter	
		MC (1)	SG (2)	MC (1)	SG (2)	MC (1)	SG (2)	MC (1)	SG (2)
ALBANIA (3)	AL	—		—		—		—	
BOSNIA-HERZEGOVINA (3)	BA	—		—		—		—	
BULGARIA	BG	—		—		—		—	
	BG-1	A		B		—		—	
	BG-2	—		—		—		—	
BELARUS (3)	BY	—		—		—		—	
CZECH REPUBLIC	CZ	A		B		—		—	
	CZ-1	A		B		C		D	
	CZ-2	A		B		—		—	
ESTONIA (3)	EE	A (3)		B (3)		—		—	
FEDERAL REPUBLIC OF YUGOSLAVIA	FY	—		—		—		—	
	FY-1	—		—		—		—	
	FY-2	—		—				—	
CROATIA	HR	A	d	B		—		—	
HUNGARY	HU	A		B		C		D	
LITHUANIA (3)	LI	A (3)		B (3)		—		—	
LATVIA (3)	LV	A (3)		B (3)		—		—	
FORMER YUGOSLAV REPUBLIC OF MACEDONIA	MK	—		—		—		—	
POLAND	PL	A		B		—		—	
ROMANIA	RO	A		B		—		—	
RUSSIA (3)	RU	—		—		—		—	
SLOVENIA	SI	A		B		—		—	
SLOVAK REPUBLIC	SK	A		B		—		—	

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- (<sup>1</sup>) MC: model of certificate to be fulfilled. The letters (A, B, C, D, . . .) appearing on the tables refer to the models of animal health guarantees as described in Annex III, to be applied for each animal and origin in accordance with Article 2 of Decision 98/372/EC. A dash (—) indicates that imports are not authorised.
- (<sup>2</sup>) SG: Supplementary guarantees. The letters (a, b, c, d, . . .) appearing on the tables refer to the supplementary guarantees to be provided by the exporting country as described in Annex IV. These supplementary guarantees must be inserted by the exporting country in section VI of each model of certificate laid down in Annex III.
- (<sup>3</sup>) The imports of domestic animals of the bovine and porcine species are not allowed in so far as a programme of control of residues in the exporting non-member country has not been approved by the European Commission.
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*ANNEX III**ANNEX IV*

Supplementary guarantees to be provided by the exporting territory when required in Annex II in application of Article 2(2).

- (a) The animals described in this certificate have reacted negatively to a foot-and-mouth virus test carried out by the laryngo-pharyngeal scrape method (probang test).
- (b) The animals described in this certificate have reacted negatively to a serological test carried out to detect the presence of foot-and-mouth antibodies.
- (c) The animals described in this certificate have been isolated for at least 14 days immediately prior to loading for export at a quarantine station in the territory of origin under the surveillance of an official veterinarian, no animal on the premises of isolation having been vaccinated against foot-and-mouth disease during the 21 days preceding exportation and no animal other than those forming part of the consignment having been introduced to the premises of isolation during the same period.
- (d) The animals are coming from the following herds which has been qualified as "Officially free of tuberculosis, brucellosis and leukosis", as defined under Annexes A and G of the Directive 64/432/EEC:

No of qualified herd	Total of animals	Number of exported animals	Date of test