COMMISSION DECISION

of 28 January 2002

recognising the fully operational character of the German database for bovine animals

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(Only the German text is authentic)

(Text with EEA relevance)

(2002/67/EC)

THE COMMISSION OF THE EUROPEAN COMMUNITIES.

Having regard to the Treaty establishing the European Community,

Having regard to Regulation (EC) No 1760/2000 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 17 July 2000 establishing a system for the identification and registration of bovine animals and regarding labelling of beef and beef products and repealing Council Regulation (EC) No 820/97 (¹), and in particular Article 6(3) thereof,

Having regard to the request submitted by Germany,

Whereas:

- (1) On 8 September 1999 the German authorities submitted to the Commission a request asking for recognition of the fully operational character of their database that forms part of the German system for the identification and registration of bovine animals.
- (2) The German request was accompanied by appropriate information that was updated on 15 February 2001.
- (3) The German authorities have undertaken the commitment to improve the reliability of this database ensuring in particular that (i) further measures, including control measures, shall be taken to ensure observation of the delay of seven days at maximum for notification of movements, births and deaths, (ii) all kinds of movements are recorded in the database, and the data are monitored, (iii) the existing measures for promptly correction of any errors or deficiencies which could be detected automatically or following the appropriate

on-the-spot inspections, are reinforced, (iv) further measures shall be taken to ensure compliance on the national territory with Commission Regulation (EC) No 2630/97; the German authorities have undertaken the commitment to implement those improvement measures at the latest by 30 June 2001. The German authorities have confirmed the implementation of the abovementioned measures.

(4) In view of the above, it is appropriate to recognise the fully operational character of the database for bovine animals,

HAS ADOPTED THIS DECISION:

Article 1

The German database for bovine animals is recognised as fully operational.

Article 2

This Decision is addressed to Germany.

Done at Brussels, 28 January 2002.

For the Commission

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