COMMISSION DECISION  
of 7 June 2007  
on the financing of expenditure on IT support and communication measures in the field of animal health and animal welfare for 2007  
(2007/390/EC)

THE COMMISSION OF THE EUROPEAN COMMUNITIES,

Having regard to the Treaty establishing the European Community,

Having regard to Council Decision 90/424/EEC of 26 June 1990 on expenditure in the veterinary field (*) and in particular Articles 17, 37 and 37a thereof,

Whereas:

(1) The hosting, management and maintenance of TRACES, provided for in Commission Decision 2003/24/EC of 30 December 2002 (**) concerning the development of an integrated computerised veterinary system, fall within the Commission’s remit and therefore require financing by the Community. This financial participation is based on Article 37a of Council Decision 90/424/EEC.


(3) Information policy on animal health and animal welfare requires information to be provided on technical and scientific developments in these areas. Financial participation by the Community is based on Article 17 of Council Decision 90/424/EEC.


(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 DECIDED AS FOLLOWS:

Article 1

TRACES

The hosting, management and maintenance of the TRACES system, provided for in Commission Decision 2003/24/EC, are authorised for the following amounts and objectives:

— EUR 560 000 for hosting:

— EUR 440 000 for acquiring the logistical support needed in order to provide assistance to users of the system:

— EUR 200 000 for acquiring the maintenance support needed in order to adjust the system to legal and technical developments:

— EUR 300 000 for the IT development needed.

(**) OJ L 8, 14.1.2003, p. 44.
Article 2

Animal disease notification system

The updating of the notification system, referred to in Decision 2005/176/EC, is authorised for an amount of EUR 150 000.

Article 3

Provision of information in the fields of animal health and animal welfare

The provision of information by the Commission to the competent authorities and members of the public concerning Community legislation on animal health and animal welfare is authorised for the following amounts and objectives:

— EUR 240 000 for publications and the dissemination of information and the strategy on animal health;

— EUR 130 000 for publications and the dissemination of information and the strategy on animal welfare.

Article 4

Contract award procedure

Contractors will be selected on the basis of the existing framework contracts or on the basis of calls for tender launched in 2007.

Done at Brussels, 7 June 2007.

For the Commission

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