

COMMISSION DECISION

of 19 May 1992

on specific financial contributions from the Community for the eradication of avian plague in the United Kingdom

(Only the English text is authentic)

(92/292/EEC)

THE COMMISSION OF THE EUROPEAN COMMUNITIES,

Having regard to the Treaty establishing the European Economic Community,

Having regard to Council Decision 90/424/EEC of 26 June 1990 on expenditure in the veterinary field (¹), as amended by Regulation (EEC) No 3763/91 (²), and in particular Article 3 thereof,

Whereas an outbreak of avian plague occurred in the United Kingdom in the month of January 1992; whereas the appearance of this disease is a serious danger to the Community's poultry and, in order to help eradicate the disease as rapidly as possible, the Community has the possibility of making good the losses so caused;

Whereas as soon as the presence of avian plague was officially confirmed the United Kingdom authorities took appropriate measures which included the measures as listed in Article 3 (2) of Council Decision 90/424/EEC; whereas such measures were notified by the United Kingdom authorities;

Whereas the conditions for Community financial assistance have been met;

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

For the outbreak of avian plague which occurred during the month of January 1992 the United Kingdom may obtain Community financial assistance. The financial contribution by the Community shall be:

- 50 % of the costs incurred by the United Kingdom in compensating owners for the slaughter, destruction of poultry and poultry products as appropriate,
- 50 % of the costs incurred by the United Kingdom for the cleaning, disinsectization and disinfection of the holding and equipment,
- 50 % of the costs incurred by the United Kingdom in compensating owners for the destruction of contaminated feedingstuffs and contaminated equipment.

Article 2

1. The Community financial contribution shall be granted after supporting documents have been submitted.
2. The documents referred to in paragraph 1 shall be sent by the United Kingdom no later than six months from the notification of this Decision.

Article 3

The Commission will follow developments in the disease situation and, if necessary, due to the evolution of the disease a new Decision will be adopted in accordance with the provisions laid down in Article 3 (4) of Council Decision 90/424/EEC.

Article 4

This Decision is addressed to the United Kingdom.

Done at Brussels, 19 May 1992.

For the Commission

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Member of the Commission

(¹) OJ No L 224, 18. 8. 1990, p. 19.

(²) OJ No L 356, 24. 12. 1991, p. 1.