

**COMMISSION DECISION**

of 22 December 1992

**amending Decision 92/25/EEC concerning the animal health conditions and veterinary certification of imports of fresh meat from Zimbabwe**

(93/86/EEC)

THE COMMISSION OF THE EUROPEAN COMMUNITIES,

Having regard to the Treaty establishing the European Economic Community,

Having regard to Council Decision 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 and meat products from third countries<sup>(1)</sup>, as last amended by Regulation (EEC) No 1601/92<sup>(2)</sup>, and in particular Articles 14 and 15 thereof,

Whereas Commission Decision 92/25/EEC<sup>(3)</sup>, as last amended by Decision 92/503/EEC<sup>(4)</sup>, lays down the animal health conditions and veterinary certification of imports of fresh meat from Zimbabwe; whereas this Decision provides that Member States shall authorize imports of boned carcass meat of bovine animals from the regions of Mashonaland West, Mashonaland East, Makoni and Midlands Province in Zimbabwe;

Whereas the situation has improved in relation to foot-and-mouth disease and now it is possible to amend further the regionalization in Zimbabwe thereby allowing importation into the Community of fresh boned meat from Mashonaland Central;

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*

In Article 1 (1) 'the veterinary regions of Mashonaland West, Mashonaland East, Makoni and Midlands Province, excluding the districts of Gokwe, Zvishavane and Mberengwa' are replaced by 'the veterinary regions of Mashonaland West, Mashonaland East, Mashonaland Central, Makoni and Midlands Province excluding the districts of Gokwe, Zvishavane and Mberengwa'.

*Article 2*

The Annex to Decision 92/25/EEC is replaced by the Annex to this Decision.

*Article 3*

This Decision is addressed to the Member States.

Done at Brussels, 22 December 1992.

*For the Commission*

Ray MAC SHARRY

*Member of the Commission*

<sup>(1)</sup> OJ No L 302, 31. 12. 1972, p. 28.

<sup>(2)</sup> OJ No L 173, 27. 6. 1992, p. 13.

<sup>(3)</sup> OJ No L 10, 16. 1. 1992, p. 52.

<sup>(4)</sup> OJ No L 307, 23. 10. 1992, p. 55.

## ANNEX

## ANIMAL HEALTH CERTIFICATE

for boned fresh meat <sup>(1)</sup> of domestic animals of the bovine species, excluding offal, intended for consignment to the European Economic Community

Country of destination : .....

Reference number of the public health certificate <sup>(2)</sup> : .....

Exporting country : Zimbabwe (veterinary regions of Mashonaland West, Mashonaland East, Mashonaland Central, Makoni and Midlands Province, excluding the districts Gokwe, Zvishavane and Mberengwa)

Ministry : .....

Department : .....

Reference : .....

(Optional)

## I. Identification of meat

Meat of : .....

Nature of cuts <sup>(3)</sup> : .....

Nature of packaging : .....

Number of cuts or packages : .....

Net weight : .....

## II. Origin of meat

Address(es) and veterinary approval number(s) of the approved slaughterhouse(s) <sup>(2)</sup> : .....

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Address(es) and veterinary approval number(s) of the approved cutting plant(s) <sup>(2)</sup> : .....

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Address(es) and veterinary approval number(s) of the approved cold store(s) <sup>(2)</sup> : .....

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## III. Destination of meat

The meat will be sent from : .....

(Place of loading)

to : .....

(Country and place of destination)

by the following means of transport <sup>(4)</sup> : .....

Name and address of consignor : .....

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Name and address of consignee : .....

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<sup>(1)</sup> Fresh meat means all parts fit for human consumption from domestic bovine animals, excluding offal, which have not undergone any preserving process; however, chilled and frozen meat shall be considered as fresh meat.

<sup>(2)</sup> Optional when the country of destination authorizes the importation of fresh meat for uses other than human consumption in application of Article 19 (a) of Directive 72/462/EEC.

<sup>(3)</sup> Only boned fresh meat from bovine animals, from which all bones and the major accessible lymphatic glands have been removed is authorized for importation.

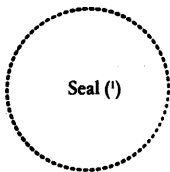
<sup>(4)</sup> For railway wagons or lorries the registration number should be given, for aircraft the flight number and for ships the name.

**IV. Attestation of health**

I, the undersigned, official veterinarian, certify that :

1. the boned fresh meat described above is obtained from :
  - (a) animals which were born and reared in the Republic of Zimbabwe and have remained in the veterinary region of Mashonaland West, Mashonaland East, Mashonaland Central, Makoni and Midlands Province, excluding the districts Gokwe, Zvishavane and Mberengwa for at least 12 months preceding slaughter or since birth in the case of animals less than 12 months old ;
  - (b) animals which bore, in accordance with the legal provisions, a mark indicating their region of origin that is for the veterinary region of Mashonaland West, northern part brand 'L' and for Mashonaland West, southern part, brand 'HL' for Mashonaland East brand 'H', for Mashonaland Central brand 'C' and Makoni brand 'UM', for Midlands Province, excluding the districts Gokwe, Zvishavane and Mberengwa the brand 'J' or 'JJ' ;
  - (c) animals which have not been vaccinated against foot-and-mouth disease during the preceding 12 months ;
  - (d) animals which on the way to the slaughterhouse and while awaiting slaughter therein have not come into contact with animals not satisfying the requirements laid down in the decisions of the European Economic Community currently in force as regards export of their meat to a Member State, and if they were conveyed by vehicle or container the latter was cleaned and disinfected before loading ;
  - (e) animals which when subjected to an ante-mortem health inspection at the slaughterhouse during the 24 hours preceding slaughter which included examination of the mouth and feet showed no symptoms of foot-and-mouth disease ;
  - (f) animals which have been slaughtered on different days from those on which animals which do not comply with the conditions required for export of their meat to the European Economic Community were slaughtered ;
  - (g) animals which were slaughtered between ..... and ..... (dates of slaughter) ;
2. the boned fresh meat described above :
  - (a) originates from carcasses which have matured at a room temperature of more than + 2 °C for at least 24 hours after slaughter and before the bones were removed ;
  - (b) has had the major lymphatic glands removed ;
  - (c) has, during all stages of its production, boning, and storage been kept strictly separate from meat not conforming to the requirements laid down in the decisions of the European Economic Community currently in force as regards export of meat to a Member State (with the exception of meat packed in boxes or cartons and kept in special storage areas).

Done at ....., on .....  
 (Place) (Date)



.....  
 (Signature of official veterinarian)  
 (Name in capital letters, title and qualification of signatory)

(!) The colour of the seal/stamp must be different to the colour of the printed text.