

COMMISSION DECISION

of 25 March 1997

approving the programme for the eradication of infectious bovine rhinotracheitis in Austria

(Text with EEA relevance)

(97/250/EC)

THE COMMISSION OF THE EUROPEAN COMMUNITIES,

HAS ADOPTED THIS DECISION:

Having regard to the Treaty establishing the European Community,

Having regard to Council Directive 64/432/EEC⁽¹⁾ of 26 June 1964, on animal health problems affecting intra-Community trade in bovine animals and swine, as last amended by Commission Decision 97/122/EC⁽²⁾, and in particular Article 9 (3) thereof,

Whereas an eradication programme was commenced in Austria for infectious bovine rhinotracheitis in March 1995, whereas this programme was approved by Commission Decision 95/62/EC⁽³⁾ for a two-year period which expired on 28 February 1997;

Whereas the eradication programme is still in progress; whereas the programme should allow infectious bovine rhinotracheitis to be eradicated from Austria in the future;

Whereas it is therefore appropriate to extend the approval of the programme for a further period of three years;

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

Article 1

The programme for the eradication of infectious bovine rhinotracheitis from Austria is hereby approved for a further period of three years.

Article 2

Austria shall bring into force by 1 April 1997 the laws, regulations and administrative provisions for implementing the programme referred to in Article 1.

Article 3

This Decision shall enter into force on 1 April 1997.

Article 4

This Decision is addressed to the Member States.

Done at Brussels, 25 March 1997.

For the Commission

Franz FISCHLER

Member of the Commission

⁽¹⁾ OJ No 121, 29. 7. 1964, p. 1977/64.

⁽²⁾ OJ No L 45, 15. 2. 1997, p. 48.

⁽³⁾ OJ No L 55, 11. 3. 1995, p. 45.