### COMMISSION DECISION

#### of 3 December 1997

amending Decisions 93/24/EEC and 93/244/EEC and concerning additional guarantees relating to Aujeszky's disease for pigs destined for regions free of the disease in Germany

(Text with EEA relevance)

(97/835/EC)

THE COMMISSION OF THE EUROPEAN COMMUNITIES,

Having regard to the Treaty establishing the European Community,

Having regard to Council Directive 64/432/EEC of 26 June 1964, on animal health problems affecting intra-Community trade in bovine animals and swine (1), as last amended and updated by Directive 97/12/EC (2), and in particular Article 10 (2) thereof,

Whereas Germany considers that part of its territory is free from Aujeszky's disease and has submitted supporting documentation to the Commission as provided for in Article 10 of Council Directive 64/432/EEC;

Whereas an eradication programme was undertaken in this region for Aujeszky's disease;

Whereas Commission Decision 93/244/EEC (3), as last amended by Decision 97/423/EC (4) lays down additional guarantees relating to Aujeszky's disease for pigs destined for certain parts of the territory of the Community where an eradication programme has been approved and lists those regions in Annex I;

Whereas the programme is regarded to have been successful in eradicating this disease from Rhineland-Palatinate; whereas it is therefore appropriate to remove these regions from the list of regions in Annex I of Decision 93/244/EEC;

Whereas the authorities of Germany apply for national movement of pigs rules at least equivalent to those provided by the present decision;

Whereas these additional guarantees must not be requested from Member States or regions of Member States which are themselves regarded as free from Aujeszky's disease;

Whereas Decision 93/24/EEC (5), as last amended by Decision 97/423/EC lays down additional guarantees relating to Aujeszky's disease for pigs destined for Member States or regions free of the disease and lists those regions in Annex I;

Whereas these parts of Germany which are free of the disease should be added to Annex I of Commission Decision 93/24/EEC;

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

- Annex I of Decision 93/24/EC is replaced by Annex I of this Decision.
- Annex I of Decision 93/244/EEC is replaced by Annex II of this Decision.

#### Article 2

This Decision shall apply from 15 December 1997.

## Article 3

This Decision is addressed to the Member States.

Done at Brussels, 3 December 1997.

For the Commission Franz FISCHLER Member of the Commission

<sup>(</sup>¹) OJ 121, 29. 7. 1964, p. 1977/64. (²) OJ L 109, 25. 4. 1997, p. 1. (³) OJ L 111, 5. 5. 1993, p. 21. (†) OJ L 180, 9. 7. 1997, p. 28.

<sup>(5)</sup> OJ L 16, 25. 1. 1993, p. 18.

### ANNEX I

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# Regions free of Aujeszky's disease which do not permit vaccination

Denmark:

all regions

United Kingdom:

all regions in England, Scotland and Wales

France:

the Departments of Maine-et-Loire, Sarthe, Vendée, Charente, Charente-Maritime, Deux-Sèvres, Vienne, Aude, Dordogne, Gironde, Landes, Lot-et-Garonne, Pyrénées-Atlantiques, Ariège, Aveyron, Haute-Garonne, Gers, Lot,

Hautes-Pyrénées, Tarn, Tarn-et-Garonne

Finland:

all regions

Germany:

the Länder of Thuringen, Sachsen, Brandenburg, Mecklenburg-

Vorpommern, Sachsen-Anhalt, Rheinland-Pfalz

Austria:

all regions

Sweden:

all regions'

### ANNEX II

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Luxembourg:

Member State

Germany:

all regions except the Länder of Thüringen, Sachsen, Brandenburg, Meck-

lenburg-Vorpommern, Sachsen-Anhalt, Rheinland-Pfalz'