

## COMMISSION DECISION

of 12 October 1998

**amending Decision 97/296/EC drawing up the list of third countries from which the import of fishery products is authorised for human consumption***(notified under document number C(1998) 2971)*

(Text with EEA relevance)

(98/573/EC)

THE COMMISSION OF THE EUROPEAN COMMUNITIES,  
Having regard to the Treaty establishing the European Community,

Having regard to Council Decision 95/408/EC of 22 June 1995<sup>(1)</sup> on the conditions for drawing up, for an interim period, provisional lists of third country establishments from which Member States are authorised to import certain products of animal origin, fishery products or live bivalve molluscs, as amended by Decision 97/34/EC<sup>(2)</sup>, and in particular Article 2(2) and Article 7 thereof,

Whereas Commission Decision 97/296/EC<sup>(3)</sup>, as amended by Decision 98/419/EC<sup>(4)</sup>, lists the third countries from which importation of fishery products for human consumption is authorised, part I of the list names the third countries covered by a specific Decision and part II names those qualifying under Article 2(2) of Decision 95/408/EC;

Whereas Commission Decisions 98/568/EC<sup>(5)</sup>, 98/570/EC<sup>(6)</sup> and 98/572/EC<sup>(7)</sup>, set specific import conditions for fishery and aquaculture products originating, respectively, in Guatemala, Tunisia and Cuba;

Whereas Guatemala, Tunisia and Cuba should therefore be added to part I of the list of Annex I of countries and territories from which importation of fishery products for human consumption is authorised;

Whereas Pakistan has shown that it satisfies the equivalent conditions referred to in Article 2(2) of Decision 95/408/EC;

Whereas it is therefore necessary to modify the list to include this country in the part II of the list of Annex I;

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*

The Annex I to Decision 97/296/EC is replaced by the Annex of the present Decision.

*Article 2*

This Decision is addressed to the Member States.

Done at Brussels, 12 October 1998.

*For the Commission*

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<sup>(1)</sup> OJ L 243, 11. 10. 1995, p. 17.

<sup>(2)</sup> OJ L 13, 16. 1. 1997, p. 33.

<sup>(3)</sup> OJ L 122, 14. 5. 1997, p. 21.

<sup>(4)</sup> OJ L 190, 4. 7. 1998, p. 55.

<sup>(5)</sup> See page 26 of this Official Journal.

<sup>(6)</sup> See page 36 of this Official Journal.

<sup>(7)</sup> See page 44 of this Official Journal.

## ANNEX

## ANNEX I

**List of countries and territories from which importation of fishery products in any form intended for human consumption is authorised**

**I. Countries and territories covered by a specific decision under Council Directive 91/493/EC**

ALBANIA	GHANA	PERU
ARGENTINA	GUATEMALA	PHILIPPINES
AUSTRALIA	INDIA	RUSSIA
BANGLADESH	INDONESIA	SENEGAL
BRAZIL	IVORY COAST	SINGAPORE
CANADA	JAPAN	SOUTH AFRICA
CHILE	MADAGASCAR	SOUTH KOREA
COLOMBIA	MALAYSIA	TAIWAN
CUBA	MALDIVES	TANZANIA
ECUADOR	MAURITANIA	THAILAND
FALKLAND ISLANDS	MOROCCO	TUNISIA
FAROEES	NEW ZEALAND	URUGUAY
GAMBIA	NIGERIA	

**II. Countries and territories meeting the terms of Article 2(2) of Council Decision 95/408/EC**

BELIZE	HUNGARY <sup>(1)</sup>	PANAMA
BENIN	ISRAEL	POLAND
CHINA	JAMAICA	SEYCHELLES
CAMEROON	KAZAKHSTAN <sup>(2)</sup>	SLOVENIA
CAPE VERDE	LATVIA	SURINAME
COSTA RICA	LITHUANIA	SWITZERLAND
CROATIA	MALTA	TOGO
CZECH REPUBLIC	MAURITIUS	TURKEY
FIJI	MEXICO	UGANDA
GREENLAND	NAMIBIA	UNITED STATES OF AMERICA
GUINEA-CONAKRI	NICARAGUA	VENEZUELA
HONDURAS	PAKISTAN	VIETNAM
HONG KONG	PAPUA NEW GUINEA	

<sup>(1)</sup> Authorised only for import of live animals intended for human consumption.

<sup>(2)</sup> Authorised only for import of caviar.