

## COMMISSION DECISION

of 17 December 1996

on special financial contributions from the Community for the eradication of  
Newcastle disease in Denmark

(Only the Danish text is authentic)

(97/23/EC)

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

Having regard to Council Decision 90/424/EEC of 26  
June 1990 on expenditure in the veterinary field <sup>(1)</sup>, as last  
amended by Decision 94/370/EC <sup>(2)</sup>, and in particular  
Articles 3 (3) and 4 (2) thereof,

Whereas outbreaks of Newcastle disease occurred in  
Denmark in 1995; 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 compensating for  
the losses suffered;

Whereas, as soon as the presence of Newcastle disease was  
officially confirmed, the Danish authorities took appro-  
priate measures which included the measures as listed in  
Article 3 (2) of Decision 90/424/EEC; whereas such  
measures were notified by the Danish authorities;

Whereas the conditions for Community financial assist-  
ance 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*

Denmark may obtain Community financial assistance for  
outbreaks of Newcastle disease which occurred during

1995. The financial contribution by the Community shall  
be:

- 50 % of the costs incurred by Denmark in compen-  
sating owners for the slaughter, destruction of poultry  
and poultry products as appropriate,
- 50 % of the costs incurred by Denmark for the clean-  
ing and disinfection of holdings and equipment,
- 50 % of the costs incurred by Denmark in compen-  
sating 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 Denmark no later than six months from the noti-  
fication of this Decision.

*Article 3*

This Decision is addressed to the Kingdom of Denmark.

Done at Brussels, 17 December 1996.

*For the Commission*

Franz FISCHLER

*Member of the Commission*

<sup>(1)</sup> OJ No L 224, 18. 8. 1990, p. 19.

<sup>(2)</sup> OJ No L 168, 2. 7. 1994, p. 31.