

COMMISSION DECISION
of 10 January 2003
amending Decision 2002/613/EC as regards the approved semen collection centres of Slovenia

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(Text with EEA relevance)

(2003/15/EC)

THE COMMISSION OF THE EUROPEAN COMMUNITIES,

Having regard to the Treaty establishing the European Community,

Having regard to Council Directive 90/429/EEC of 26 June 1990 laying down the animal health requirements applicable to intra-Community trade in and imports of semen of domestic animals of the porcine species ⁽¹⁾, as last amended by Commission Decision 2000/39/EC ⁽²⁾, and in particular Article 7(1) and Article 8(1) thereof,

Whereas:

- (1) Commission Decision 2002/613/EC ⁽³⁾ establishes a list of third countries from which Member States may authorise the importation of semen of domestic animals of the porcine species and a list of semen collection centres from those third countries approved for the export to the Community.
- (2) Slovenia should be added to the list of third countries from which imports are authorised by Decision 2002/613/EC, following Commission missions and in the light of the situation achieved with regard to animal health in this country.
- (3) The competent veterinary services of Slovenia have sent a list of semen collection centres officially approved for the export of pig semen to the Community.
- (4) Guarantees regarding compliance with the requirements specified in Article 8 of Directive 90/429/EEC have been provided to the Commission by the competent veterinary services of Slovenia, and they have officially approved the collection centres concerned for exports to the Community.
- (5) The measures provided for in this Decision are in accordance with the opinion of the Standing Committee on Food Chain and Animal Health,

HAS ADOPTED THIS DECISION:

Article 1

Decision 2002/613/EC is amended as follows:

- (a) Slovenia is added to Annex II;

- (b) Slovenia is added to the title of Annex IV;

- (c) in Annex V, the following rows are added for Slovenia:

| ISO | Approval number | Name and address of approved centre |
|----------|-----------------|--|
| SLOVENIA | | |
| SI | SI 593 | Semen collection centre for porcine animals, Murska Sobota; Chamber of Agriculture and Forestry of Slovenia, Agriculture and Forestry Centre of Murska Sobota Štefana Kovača 40 9000 Murska Sobota |
| SI | SI 594 | Semen collection centre for porcine animals, Ptuj; Chamber of Agriculture and Forestry of Slovenia, Agriculture and Forestry Centre of Ptuj Ormoška cesta 28 2250 Ptuj |

Article 2

This Decision shall apply as from 31 January 2003.

Article 3

This Decision is addressed to the Member States.

Done at Brussels, 10 January 2003.

For the Commission

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Member of the Commission

⁽¹⁾ OJ L 224, 18.8.1990, p. 62.

⁽²⁾ OJ L 13, 19.1.2000, p. 21.

⁽³⁾ OJ L 196, 25.7.2002, p. 45.