

Article 7

1. A management committee (hereinafter called 'the Committee') is hereby established, composed of representatives of the Member States and chaired by a representative of the Commission.
2. Within the Committee, the votes of the Member States shall be weighted in accordance with Article 148 (2) of the Treaty. The chairman shall not vote.

Article 8

1. Where the procedure laid down in this Article is to be followed, the chairman shall refer the matter to the Committee either on his own initiative or at the request of the representative of a Member State.
2. The representative of the Commission shall submit drafts of decisions to be taken. The Committee shall deliver its opinion on the drafts within a time limit which the chairman may fix according to the urgency of the questions under consideration. An opinion shall be adopted by a qualified majority in accordance with Article 148 (2) of the Treaty.
3. The Commission shall adopt decisions which shall apply immediately. However, if these decisions are not in accordance with the opinion of the

Committee, they shall be communicated to the Council as soon as possible and at the latest within one month. In that event, the Commission shall defer application of the decisions it has adopted for not more than two months from the date of such communication. The Council, acting by a qualified majority, may take a different decision within two months.

Article 9

Each of the Member States concerned shall, in agreement with the Commission, take the necessary steps to ensure that suitable publicity is given to the assistance granted under this Regulation.

Article 10

The Commission shall twice a year report to the Council and to the European Parliament on the application of this Regulation.

Article 11

This Regulation shall enter into force on the day of its publication in the *Official Journal of the European Communities*,

This Regulation shall be binding in its entirety and directly applicable in all Member States.

Amendments to the proposal for a Council Directive amending Directive 71/118/EEC on health problems affecting trade in fresh poultrymeat ⁽¹⁾

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The proposal referred to above, which was submitted by the Commission to the Council on 19 March 1981, is hereby amended as follows:

Article 1 (2) is replaced by the following:

'2. The following Article is inserted:

"Article 17

1. The cost of the health inspections and controls provided for in this Directive shall be borne by the authorities of the Member States.
2. In order to participate in the financing of the inspections and controls referred to in paragraph 1, Member States shall collect or

order the collection of a contribution towards the cost of the said inspections and controls, fixed in accordance with the procedure laid down in paragraph 4 and payable upon the slaughter of the animals specified in Article 1 (1) or upon the importation of poultrymeat from non-member countries. This contribution to be borne by the person on whose account the animal is slaughtered or the importation made.

3. The contribution shall replace all charges payable in the Member States in connection with the health and control of fresh poultrymeat, with the exception of the charges provided for:

— where slaughter or destruction is ordered by the inspection department,

⁽¹⁾ OJ No C 97, 29. 4. 1981, p. 12.

- in respect of the control of fresh poultry-meat intended for export to non-member countries, which entails additional costs,
 - where tests for residues are positive,
 - where additional services are performed at the request of the party concerned.
4. The Council, acting on a proposal from the Commission, shall decide by a qualified

majority on the level on the contribution referred to in paragraph 2 and on the detailed rules for its application. The said level may be altered in accordance with the same procedure in order to take account of changes in inspection costs.

5. Member States shall ensure that adequate health inspection and control measures are taken by allocating to that end resources at least equivalent to the overall amount of the contribution.”
