

**COMMISSION DECISION**

of 27 July 1993

**amending Council Decision 79/542/EEC drawing up a list of third countries from which the Member States authorize imports of bovine animals, swine, equidae, sheep and goats, fresh meat and meat products**

(93/435/EEC)

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

Having regard to Council Directive 72/462/EEC of 12 December 1972 on health and veterinary inspection problems upon importation of bovine, ovine and caprine animals and swine, fresh meat and meat products from third countries<sup>(1)</sup>, as last amended by Council Regulation (EEC) No 1601/92<sup>(2)</sup>, and in particular Article 3 thereof,

Whereas by Council Decision 79/542/EEC<sup>(3)</sup>, as last amended by Commission Decision 93/344/EEC<sup>(4)</sup>, a list of third countries from which Member States authorize imports of bovine and porcine animals, equidae, sheep and goats, fresh meat and meat products has been established;

Whereas the political events in the former State of Czechoslovakia must be taken into account;

Whereas Article 1 of Directive 72/462/EEC applies to imports of fresh meat from domestic animals of the bovine species including the species *Bubalus bubalis* and *Bison bison*;

Whereas Canada wishes to export fresh meat of *Bison bison*; whereas in order to achieve this the authorities of this country have included the control of this meat in their residue control plan for fresh meat exported to the European Community;

Whereas the results of the last mission in Brazil concerning the research for residues in fresh meat, are positive; whereas, it is therefore possible to continue to authorize imports of fresh meat and meat products from this country;

Whereas, furthermore, the Czech, Slovak, Croatian and Slovenian authorities have transmitted their research plans for residues in live animals and fresh meat exported to the European Community;

Whereas certain guarantees have been received from the competent authorities of Estonia and Belarus and it is appropriate, as a first step, to add Estonia and Belarus on the list in relation to the introduction into the Community of equidae;

Whereas, finally, in relation to imports of meat products, it is necessary to remove certain ambiguities to improve the transparency of the decision;

Whereas, it is necessary to modify the Commission Decision 79/542/EEC accordingly;

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 of Decision 79/542/EEC is replaced by the Annex to this Decision.

*Article 2*

This Decision is addressed to Member States.

Done at Brussels, 27 July 1993.

*For the Commission*

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<sup>(1)</sup> OJ No L 302, 31. 12. 1972, p. 28.

<sup>(2)</sup> OJ No L 173, 27. 6. 1992, p. 13.

<sup>(3)</sup> OJ No L 146, 14. 6. 1979, p. 15.

<sup>(4)</sup> OJ No L 138, 9. 6. 1993, p. 11.

ANNEX

*This list is a list in principle and importations shall fulfil the relevant animal and public health requirements*

PART 1

LIVE ANIMALS, FRESH MEAT AND MEAT PRODUCTS

Country ISO code	Country	Fresh meat and meat products						Live animals				Special remarks			Country ISO codes						
		Domestic			Wild			B	S/G	B	S/G	P	E	Fresh meat		Animal health		Public health			
		B	S/G	P	E	CH	E									Live animals			Meat products	Live animals	Residues
																B	P				
AL	Albania	0	X	X	X	0	X	0	X	0	0	0	0				0	AL			
AR	Argentina	X	X	0	X	0	X	X	X	X	X	X	X				XR	AR			
AT	Austria	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X				XR	AT			
AU	Australia	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X				XR	AU			
BG	Bulgaria	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X				XR	BG			
BR	Brazil	X	X	0	X	0	X	0	X	0	0	0	0				XR	BR			
BW	Botswana	X	X	0	X	0	X	0	X	0	0	0	0				XR	BW			
BY	Belarus	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X				0	BY			
BZ	Belize	X	0	0	X	0	X	0	X	0	0	0	0				0	BZ			
CA	Bosnia-Herzegovina	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X				0	CA			
CH	Canada	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X				XR (a)(b)	CH			
CL	Switzerland	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X				XR	CL			
CN	Chile	0	0	0	X	X	X	0	X	0	0	0	0				0	CN			
CO	People's Republic of China	X	0	0	X	0	X	0	X	0	0	0	0				0	CO			
CR	Colombia	X	0	0	X	0	X	0	X	0	0	0	0				0	CR			
CU	Costa Rica	X	0	0	X	0	X	0	X	0	0	0	0				0	CU			
CY	Cuba	X	X	0	X	0	X	0	X	0	0	0	0				0	CY			
CZ	Cyprus	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X				0	CZ			
DZ	Czech Republic	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X				XR	DZ			
EE	Algeria	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0				0	EE			
ET	Estonia	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X				(d)	ET			
FI	Ethiopia	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0				0	FI			
GL	Finland	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X				XR	GL			
GT	Greenland	X	X	0	X	0	X	0	X	0	0	0	0				XR	GT			
HK	Guatemala	X	0	0	X	0	X	0	X	0	0	0	0				0	HK			
HN	Hong Kong	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0				0	HN			
HR	Honduras	X	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0				0	HR			
HR	Croatia	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X				XR (f)	HR			
HU	Hungary	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X				XR	HU			

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		B	S/G											P	E		
IL	Israel	x	o	x	o	x	o	o	o	o	x					o	IL
IN	India	o	o	o	o	o	o	o	o	o	o					o	IN
IS	Iceland	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x					xr	IS
KE	Kenya	o	o	o	o	o	o	o	o	o	o					o	KE
LI	Lithuania	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x					(d)	LI
LV	Latvia	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x					o	LV
MA	Morocco	o	o	x	o	x	o	o	o	o	x					o	MA
MG	Madagascar	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	o					xr	MG
MT	Malta	x	o	x	o	x	o	x	x	x	x					xr	MT
MU	Mauritius	o	o	o	o	o	o	o	o	o	x					o	MU
MX	Mexico	x	o	x	o	x	o	o	o	o	x					xr	MX
NA	Namibia	x	x	x	o	x	o	o	o	o	x					xr	NA
NI	Nicaragua	x	o	x	o	x	o	o	o	o	x					xr	NI
NO	Norway	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x					o	NO
NZ	New Zealand	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x					xr	NZ
PA	Panama	x	o	x	o	x	o	o	o	o	o					o	PA
PL	Poland	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x					xr	PL
PY	Paraguay	x	x	x	o	x	o	o	o	o	x					xr	PY
RO	Romania	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x					xr	RO
RU	Russia	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x					d	RU
SE	Sweden	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x					xr	SE
SG	Singapore	o	o	o	o	o	o	o	o	o	o					o	SG
SI	Slovenia	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x					xr (f)	SI
SK	Slovakia	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x					xr	SK
SV	El Salvador	x	x	x	o	x	o	o	o	o	o					o	SV
SZ	Swaziland	x	o	x	o	x	o	o	o	o	o					xr	SZ
TH	Thailand	o	o	o	o	o	o	o	o	o	o					o	TH
TN	Tunisia	o	o	o	o	o	o	o	o	o	o					o	TN
TR	Turkey	o	o	o	o	x	o	o	o	o	o					o	TR
UA	Ukraine	o	o	o	o	o	o	o	o	o	o					(d)	UA
US	United States of America	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x					xr (c)	US
UY	Uruguay	x	x	x	o	x	o	o	o	o	x					xr	UY
YU	Yugoslav Republics	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x					xr	YU
ZA	South Africa	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x					xr	ZA
ZW	Zimbabwe	x	o	o	o	o	o	o	o	o	o					xr	ZW

- B = Bovines (including buffalo and bison)  
 S/G = Sheep/goat  
 P = Pig  
 C/H = Clovenhoofed  
 E = Equidae  
 X = Authorized in principle  
 O = Not authorized

*Special remarks*

- (1) Excluding meat of wild swine.  
 (2) Excluding bone-in meat and offal of wild clovenhoofed animals.  
 (3) Notwithstanding any restrictions indicated in the above list, meat products which have undergone a heat treatment in a hermetically sealed container to a F. value of 3 or more are authorized.  
 (4) Notwithstanding any restrictions indicated in the above list, meat products which have undergone a heat treatment so that a centre temperature of at least 80 °C has been achieved are authorized.  
 (5) Member States shall only import equidae in accordance with Commission Decision 92/160/EEC establishing the regionalization.  
 (6) Until specific provisions under Article 13 (2) of Directive 90/426/EEC have been adopted, Member States shall not import equidae coming from this country.  
 (7) Member States may only import live sheep for immediate slaughter from this country direct to their territory until 31 October 1993.

*Additional notes*

- XR The plan concerning the residues in live animals and fresh meat for substances having a thyrostatic, androgenic or gestagenic action and for substances other than those having a hormonal action has been approved by the Commission.  
 Equidae other than equidae for slaughter shall be imported without the third country concerned being obliged to present a plan.  
 (a) As regards imports of meat of bovine animals intended for human consumption these are restricted to meat obtained from cows which have been used only for dairy production and from bison.  
 (b) Imports of live bovine animals are restricted to animals intended for reproduction and to veal calves of less than 15 days of age intended for fattening.  
 (c) As regards imports of meat of bovine animals intended for human consumption these are restricted to :  
 (i) either meat obtained from cows which have only been used for dairy production  
 (ii) or meat :  
     — complying with the conditions agreed between the United States of America and the European Economic Community,  
     and  
     — which has been obtained from fresh meat establishments supplied with animals from holdings approved by the Commission. The names of such establishments are subject to specific communication from the Commission to the Member States.  
 (d) As regards imports of live horses for slaughter sufficient guarantees have been received to allow importations.

## PART 2

## SPECIAL COLUMN FOR EQUIDAE

Country ISO codes	Country	Registered horses	Special remarks
AE	United Arab Emirates	x	
BB	Barbados	x	
BH	Bahrain	x	
BM	Bermuda	x	
BO	Bolivia	x	
CO	Colombia	x	( <sup>1</sup> )
CR	Costa Rica	x	( <sup>1</sup> )
CU	Cuba	x	
EC	Ecuador	x	( <sup>1</sup> )
EG	Egypt	x	( <sup>1</sup> )
HK	Hong Kong	x	
JM	Jamaica	x	
JO	Jordan	x	
JP	Japan	x	
KW	Kuwait	x	
LY	Libya	x	
OM	Oman	x	
PE	Peru	x	( <sup>1</sup> )
QA	Qatar	x	
TR	Turkey	x	( <sup>1</sup> )
VE	Venezuela	x	( <sup>1</sup> )

x = Authorized in principle.

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