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COMMISSION

COMMISSION DECISION

of 10 November 1994

on Community financial assistance for improvement of the facilities for veterinary checks on Austria's external borders

(Only the German text is authentic)

(94/755/EC)

THE COMMISSION OF THE EUROPEAN COMMUNITIES,

Having regard to the Treaty establishing the European Community,

Having regard to Council Decision 90/424/EEC on expenditure in the veterinary field⁽¹⁾, as last amended by Decision 94/370/EC⁽²⁾, and in particular Article 38 thereof,

Whereas Council Directives 90/675/EEC⁽³⁾ and 91/496/EEC⁽⁴⁾, as last amended by the Act of Accession of Norway, Austria, Finland and Sweden, lay down principles governing the organization of veterinary checks on products and animals entering the Community from third countries and allow for Member States, in particular Austria, to be granted financial assistance from the Community for the purposes of implementation of these checks;

Whereas, given its geographical situation, Austria will have particularly heavy responsibilities in performing checks on live animals and animal products from third countries; whereas inspection posts will be required on the borders with six third countries;

Whereas Austria has submitted to the Commission a national programme for improving its checking arrange-

ments at external borders for animals and animal products; whereas the programme includes construction and renovation of the necessary infrastructure, purchase of equipment and recruitment of additional personnel, and is accompanied by the appropriate financial information;

Whereas reinforcement of veterinary control at external borders is, on account of the establishment of the internal market, one of the priorities for Community action;

Whereas however the Community's financial contribution must fall within the limits of the appropriations available; whereas it is accordingly necessary to decide on priorities for action so that Community funds are used most effectively;

Whereas the measures provided for by this Decision are in accordance with the opinion of the Standing Veterinary Committee,

HAS ADOPTED THIS DECISION:

Article 1

The programme indicated in the Annex hereto is approved for three years from 1 January 1995.

⁽¹⁾ OJ No L 224, 18. 8. 1990, p. 19.

⁽²⁾ OJ No L 168, 2. 7. 1994, p. 31.

⁽³⁾ OJ No L 373, 31. 12. 1990, p. 1.

⁽⁴⁾ OJ No L 268, 24. 9. 1991, p. 56.

Article 2

1. The Community's financial contribution shall be 50 % of the total cost of the programme up to a maximum of ECU 5 million.
2. Each year, for the first time in 1995, the Community financial contribution shall be granted in the following way:
 - an advance of 50 % of eligible expenditure for the year in question at the beginning of that year. In the case of the first year operations must commence by 1 January 1995,
 - the balance at the end of the year. In the case of the last year the balance shall be paid on termination of operations, which must be by 31 December 1997.

Article 3

1. Payments shall be made in ecus.
2. The payment referred to in the first indent of Article 2 (2) shall be made on submission to the Commission of an application for an advance.

3. The payment referred to in the second indent of Article 2 (2) shall be made on submission of supporting documents.

Article 4

This Decision shall apply as from 1 January 1995, subject to the entry into force of the Treaty concerning the accession of Norway, Austria, Finland and Sweden.

Article 5

This Decision is addressed to the Republic of Austria.

Done at Brussels, 10 November 1994.

For the Commission

René STEICHEN

Member of the Commission

ANNEX

PROGRAMME

I. Costs are detailed below in ecus and exclude VAT:

— BERG border post			
Total cost of work : 551 200			
	buildings :		500 100
	equipment :		51 100
— NICKELSDORF border post			
Total cost of work : 2 260 000			
	buildings :		2 200 000
	equipment :		60 000
— DEUTSCHKREUTZ border post			
Total cost of work : 977 500			
	buildings :		950 000
	equipment :		27 500
— SPIELFELD border post			
Total cost of work : 1 276 500			
	buildings :		1 230 000
	equipment :		46 500
— KARAWANKENTUNNEL border post			
Total cost of work : 902 500			
	buildings :		875 000
	equipment :		27 500
— DRASENHOFEN border post			
Total cost of work : 1 406 800			
	buildings :		1 350 000
	equipment :		56 800
— WULLOWITZ border post			
Total cost of work : 902 500			
	buildings :		875 000
	equipment :		27 500
— TISIS border post			
Total cost of work : 286 700			
	buildings :		280 000
	equipment :		6 700
— HÖCHST border post			
Total cost of work : 289 600			
	buildings :		280 000
	equipment :		9 600
— LINZ border post :			
Total cost of work : 132 100			
	buildings :		110 000
	equipment :		22 100
— SCHWECHAT border post			
Total cost of work : 116 000			
	buildings :		110 000
	equipment :		6 000
— HOHENAU border post			
Total cost of work : 150 700			
	buildings :		145 000
	equipment :		5 700
— HEGYESHALOM border post			
Total cost of work : 295 100			
	buildings :		290 000
	equipment :		5 100

— VILLACH border post		
Total cost of work : 2 000	buildings :	—
	equipment :	2 000
— SOPRON border post		
Total cost of work : 2 000	buildings :	—
	equipment :	2 000
— BUCHS border post		
Total cost of work : 2 000	buildings :	—
	equipment :	2 000
— ALBERN border post		
Total cost of work : 1 800	buildings :	—
	equipment :	1 800

II. The indicative expenditure timetable is :

- 20 % of the total cost of the work in 1995,
- 30 % of the total cost in 1996,
- 50 % of the total cost in 1997.

Building costs may be adjusted in line with the annual building prices index set by the Austrian central statistical office but the maximum limit set in Article 2(1) may not be exceeded.
