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COUNCIL DECISION

of 22 July 1997

concerning the list referred to in the second subparagraph of Article 3 (1) of Regulation (EEC) No 3254/91 and in Article 1 (1) (a) of Commission Regulation (EC) No 35/97

(97/602/EC)

(OJ L 242, 4.9.1997, p. 64)

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THE COUNCIL OF THE EUROPEAN UNION,

Having regard to the Treaty establishing the European Community,

Having regard to the proposal from the Commission,

Having regard to Council Regulation (EEC) No 3254/91 of 4 November 1991 prohibiting the use of leghold traps in the Community and the introduction into the Community of pelts and manufactured goods of certain wild animal species originating in countries which catch them by means of leghold traps or trapping methods which do not meet international humane trapping standards (¹), and in particular the second subparagraph of Article 3 (1) thereof,

Whereas Commission Regulation (EC) No 35/97 of 10 January 1997 laying down provisions on the certification of pelts and goods covered by Council Regulation (EEC) No 3254/91 (²), and in particular Article 1 (1) (a) thereof, is applicable only with respect to the importation of pelts of animals not born and bred in captivity from countries appearing on the list in the Annex to this Decision;

Whereas the said list has been established on the basis of information requested by the Commission from countries within the known distribution area of the species referred to in Annex I to Regulation (EEC) No 3254/91;

Whereas an International Agreement on Humane Trapping Standards has been sent to the Council for approval; whereas it is appropriate to refrain from acts which would defeat the object and the purpose of the Agreement; whereas the list includes therefore the countries which have initialled the Agreement;

Whereas, inter alia, pending accession to the International Agreement on Humane Trapping Standards by additional third countries or any other situation covered by Article 3 (1) of Regulation (EEC) No 3254/91, this Decision can be only of a transitional nature; whereas the aforementioned list should be amended immediately according to the new situations, in order not to hinder the trade in furs and fur-related products;

Whereas the Committee referred to in Article 5 of Regulation (EEC) No 3254/91 and consulted by written procedure on 20 December 1996 has not delivered a favourable opinion on the draft Commission decision identifying the list of authorized countries,

⁽¹) OJ L 308, 9. 11. 1991, p. 1.

⁽²⁾ OJ L 8, 11. 1. 1997, p. 2.

HAS ADOPTED THIS DECISION:

Article 1

The list of countries which meet at least one of the conditions set out in the first subparagraph of Article 3 (1) of Regulation (EEC) No 3254/91 and referred to in Article 1 (1) (a) of Commission Regulation (EC) No 35/97 is contained in the Annex to this Decision, together with the species concerned.

Article 2

This Decision shall enter into force on the day of its publication in the Official Journal of the European Communities.

Article 3

This Decision is addressed to the Member States.

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ANNEX

Country	Species
Belize	Procyon lotor
Canada	Canis latrans
Curiuuu	Canis lupus
	Castor canadensis
	Felis rufus
	Lutra canadensis
	Lynx canadensis
	Martes americana
	Martes pennanti
	Mustela erminea
	Ondatra zibethicus
	Procyon lotor
	Taxidea taxus
	Taxiaea taxus
People's Republic of China	Canis lupus
	Martes zibellina
	Mustela erminea
	Ondatra zibethicus
El Salvador	Procyon lotor
Greenland	Canis lupus
Jordan	Canis lupus
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Republic of Korea	Martes zibellina

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Country	Species
Lebanon	Canis lupus
Mexico	Canis lupus
	Castor latrans
	Castor canadensis
	Feslis rufus
	Ondatra zibethicus
	Procyon lotor
	Taxidea taxus
Moldova	Canis lupus
	Mustela erminea
Nicaragua	Procyon lotor
Norway	Canis lupus
	Mustela erminea
	Ondatra zibethicus
Pakistan	Canis lupus
	Mustela erminea
Panama	Procyon lotor
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Russian Federation	Canis lupus
	Martes zibellina
	Mustela erminea
	Ondatra zibethicus
	Procyon lotor
Turkey	Canis lupus
United States of America	Canis latrans
	Canis lupus
	Cans tupus Castor canadensis
	Castor canadensis
	Castor canadensis Felis rufus
	Castor canadensis Felis rufus Lutra canadensis
	Castor canadensis Felis rufus Lutra canadensis Lynx canadensis
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