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COMMISSION

COMMISSION DECISION

of 17 February 1986

**concerning the establishments in the United States of America from which
Member States may authorize the importation of fresh meat**

(86/189/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 animals and swine
and fresh meat from third countries ⁽¹⁾, as last amended by
Directive 83/91/EEC ⁽²⁾, and in particular Article 4 (1)
thereof,

Whereas establishments in third countries cannot be
authorized to export fresh meat to the Community unless
they satisfy the general and special conditions laid down
in Directive 72/462/EEC ;

Whereas the United States of America have forwarded, in
accordance with Article 4 (3) of Directive 72/462/EEC, a
list of establishments authorized to export to the Commu-
nity ;

Whereas Community on the spot visits have shown that
the case of these establishments has to be re-examined on
the basis of additional information regarding their
hygiene standards and their ability to adapt quickly to the
Community rules ;

Whereas in the meantime and so as to avoid any interrup-
tion of existing trade flows, these establishments may be
authorized temporarily to continue their exports of fresh
meat to those Member States prepared to accept them ;

Whereas it will therefore be necessary to re-examine and,
if necessary, amend this Decision in the light of measures
taken to this end and improvements made ;

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

Member States may continue to authorize, until 31
December 1986, imports of fresh meat coming from esta-
blishments which have been officially proposed by the
United States authorities, as of 21 January 1985, pursuant
to Article 4 (3) of Directive 72/462/EEC, unless a decision
is taken to the contrary, in accordance with Article 4 (1)
of that Directive, before 1 January 1987.

The Commission shall forward the list of these establish-
ments to the Member States.

Article 2

This Decision shall apply from 1 June 1986.

Article 3

This Decision shall be reviewed and, if necessary,
amended before 1 January 1987.

Article 4

This Decision is addressed to the Member States.

Done at Brussels, 17 February 1986.

For the Commission

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Vice-President

⁽¹⁾ OJ No L 302, 31. 12. 1972, p. 28.

⁽²⁾ OJ No L 59, 5. 3. 1983, p. 34.