

**COMMISSION DECISION****of 23 December 2002****amending for the 10th time Decision 2001/327/EC concerning restrictions to the movement of animals of susceptible species with regard to foot-and-mouth disease***(notified under document number C(2002) 5271)***(Text with EEA relevance)**

(2002/1004/EC)

THE COMMISSION OF THE EUROPEAN COMMUNITIES,

Having regard to the Treaty establishing the European Community,

Having regard to Council Directive 90/425/EEC of 26 June 1990 concerning veterinary and zootechnical checks applicable in intra-Community trade in certain live animals and products with a view to the completion of the internal market <sup>(1)</sup>, as last amended by Directive 2002/33/EC of the European Parliament and of the Council <sup>(2)</sup>, and in particular Article 10 thereof,

Whereas:

- (1) All Member States have implemented the restrictions to the movement of animals of susceptible species laid down in Commission Decision 2001/327/EC <sup>(3)</sup>, as last amended by Decision 2002/242/EC <sup>(4)</sup>.
- (2) It appears appropriate to prolong the measures.
- (3) The measures provided for in this Decision are in accordance with the opinion of the Standing Committee on the Food Chain and Animal Health,

HAS ADOPTED THIS DECISION:

*Article 1*

In Article 4 of Decision 2001/327/EC the date '31 December 2002' is replaced by the date '30 June 2003'.

*Article 2*

This Decision is addressed to the Member States.

Done at Brussels, 23 December 2002.

*For the Commission*

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