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► M4 Commission Decision 85/488/EEC of 17 October 1985	L 293	17	5.11.1985
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► M6 Commission Decision 86/425/EEC of 29 July 1986	L 243	34	28.8.1986
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THE COUNCIL 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 77/98/EEC ⁽²⁾, and in particular Article 3 (1) thereof,

Having regard to the proposal from the Commission,

Whereas the system laid down in Directive 72/462/EEC is based on the establishment of a list of the third countries or parts of third countries from which the Member States authorize imports of bovine animals and swine and of fresh meat of bovine animals, swine, sheep, goats and domestic solipeds, or of one or more of these categories of animals or categories of fresh meat;

Whereas in order to decide in respect both of the animals and of fresh meat whether a country or part of a country may be included in the list, particular account is taken of the criteria set out in Article 3 (2) of the abovementioned Directive;

Whereas the countries listed in the Annex to this Decision which traditionally supply the Member States may be considered to satisfy these criteria;

Whereas, however, this list is drawn up subject to such amendments or additions as may be made to it in accordance with the procedure laid down in Article 30 of Directive 72/462/EEC; whereas it may prove necessary in the light of further information to limit or extend the authorizations for importing certain categories of animals and fresh meat; whereas, it may also be necessary in certain cases in respect both of the animals and of fresh meat to specify the parts of countries from which imports will be authorized;

Whereas, although the list of third countries forms one of the bases of the Community arrangements applicable to imports from third countries laid down in Directive 72/462/EEC other measures, particularly concerning hygiene and veterinary inspection, will have to be taken in order to define these arrangements; whereas, consequently, it is important to facilitate the coordinated implementation of all these measures,

HAS ADOPTED THIS DECISION:

Article 1

1. Without prejudice to Directive 72/462/EEC and in particular any measures which may have to be taken under the procedure provided for in Article 29, and subject to any amendments or additions made to the list in the Annex to this Decision under the procedure provided for in Article 30, particularly for the purpose of limiting or extending authorizations for importing certain categories of animals and fresh meat, or for specifying, both for animals and for fresh meat, the parts of coun-

⁽¹⁾ OJ No L 302, 31. 12. 1972, p. 28.

⁽²⁾ OJ No L 26, 31. 1. 1977, p. 81.

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tries from which imports will be authorized, the Member States shall authorize imports of animals and fresh meat in accordance with the said list.

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2. Without prejudice to paragraph 1, Member States shall import certain meat products from all domestic species coming from third countries appearing in the Annex.

In the case of imports of fresh meat coming from certain third countries or parts thereof not authorized in accordance with paragraph 1, Member States may, however, import meat products made from such fresh meat provided the meat products have undergone a special treatment as laid down in the Annex.

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3. Without prejudice to Decision 92/160/EEC

- (a) Member States shall authorize imports of equidae from third countries or parts of third countries appearing in Part 1 of the Annex,
- (b) Member States shall authorize temporary admission into the Community or registered horses from or re-entry of registered horses after being temporarily exported to the third countries or parts of third countries appearing in Part 2 of the Annex,

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(c) Without prejudice to Article 19 of Directive 90/426/EEC and until specific provisions under Article 13 (2) of this Directive have been adopted, Member States shall not import equidae coming from the following countries:

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— Morocco

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— South Africa

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4. Member States shall authorize imports of live animals, in particular equidae for slaughter, meat and meat products only from those third countries or parts of those third countries which appear on the list in Part 1 of the Annex and conform to the guarantees regarding residues.

▼B*Article 2*

The list contained in the Annex shall be published in the *Official Journal of the European Communities*, at the same time as the amendments and additions referred to in Article 1 above.

Article 3

Member States shall adopt the laws, regulations and administrative provisions necessary to comply with this Decision within two years of the publication referred to in Article 2 above and shall forthwith inform the Commission thereof.

Article 4

This Decision is addressed to the Member States.

ANNEX

PART I

LIVE ANIMALS, FRESH MEAT AND MEAT PRODUCTS

Country ISO code	Country	Fresh meat and meat products						Fresh meat			Live animals				Special Remarks				Country ISO Codes
		Domestic			Wild			B	C/H	E	B	S/G	P	E	Fresh meat	Meat products	Live animals	Residues	
		B	S/G	P	E	C/H	E												
AL	Albania	0	X	X	X	X	0	X	X	0	0	0	0	0	0		(⁷)	0	AL
AR	Argentina	X	X	0	X	0	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X			XR	AR
AT	Austria	X	X	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	X	X			XR	AU
BG	Bulgaria	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	(¹)	(³)	XR	BG
BR	Brazil	X	X	0	X	0	X	X	X	0	0	0	0	0	0	(¹)(²)	(³)	XR	BR
BW	Botswana	X	X	0	X	X	X	X	X	0	0	0	0	0	0	(¹)(²)	(³)	XR	BW
BY	Belarus	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	(¹)	(³)	0	0	BY
BZ	Belize	X	0	0	X	0	X	X	X	0	0	0	0	0	(¹)	(³)	0	0	BZ
CA	Bosnia-Herzegovina	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	(¹)	(³)	0	0	CA
CH	Canada	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X				XR	CH
CL	Switzerland	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	0	0	0	0	0	(¹)	(³)	XR	CL	
CN	Chile	0	0	0	X	X	X	X	X	0	0	0	0	0	(¹)	(³)	0	0	CN
CO	People's Republic of China	X	0	0	X	0	X	X	X	0	0	0	0	0	(¹)	(³)	0	0	CO
CR	Colombia	X	0	0	X	0	X	X	X	0	0	0	0	0	(²)	(³)	0	0	CR
CS	Costa Rica	X	0	0	X	0	X	X	X	0	0	0	0	0	(²)	(³)	0	0	CS
CU	Czechoslovakia	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	(¹)	(³)	XR	0	CU
CY	Cuba	X	0	0	X	0	X	X	X	0	0	0	0	0	(²)	(³)	0	0	CY
DZ	Cyprus	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	0	0	0	0	0			0	0	DZ
EE	Algeria	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0			0	0	EE
EE	Estonia	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	(¹)	(³)	0	0	EE

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		B	S/G	P	E	C/H	E									
ET	Ethiopia	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	(³)	0	ET	
FI	Finland	X	X	X	X	0	X	X	X	0	X	0		XR	FI	
GL	Greenland	X	X	0	X	0	X	0	0	0	0		XR	GL		
GT	Guatemala	X	0	0	X	0	0	0	0	0	0	(¹)	0	GT		
HK	Hong Kong	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0		0	HK		
HN	Honduras	X	0	0	X	0	X	0	0	0	0		0	HN		
HR	Croatia	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	(¹)	0	HR		
HU	Hungary	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X		XR	HU		
IL	Israel	0	0	0	X	0	X	0	0	0	0		0	IL		
IN	India	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0		0	IN		
IS	Iceland	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X		XR	IS		
KE	Kenya	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0		0	KE		
LI	Lithuania	X	X	X	X	0	X	X	X	X	X	(¹)	(⁶)	LI		
LV	Latvia	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	(¹)	0	LV		
MA	Morocco	0	0	0	X	0	X	0	0	0	0		0	MA		
MG	Madagascar	X	X	0	X	0	0	0	0	0	0		XR	MG		
MT	Malta	X	0	X	X	0	X	X	X	X	X	(³)	XR	MT		
MU	Mauritius	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0		0	MU		
MX	Mexico	X	0	0	X	0	0	0	0	0	0		XR	MX		
NA	Namibia	X	X	0	X	0	X	0	0	0	0	(¹)(²)	XR	NA		
NI	Nicaragua	X	0	0	X	0	X	0	0	0	0		0	NI		
NO	Norway	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X		XR	NO		
NZ	New Zealand	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X		XR	NZ		
PA	Panama	X	0	0	X	0	0	0	0	0	0		0	PA		
PL	Poland	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	(¹)	XR	PL		
PY	Paraguay	X	X	0	X	0	0	0	0	0	0		XR	PY		

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		B	S/G	P	E	C/H	E												
RO	Romania	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	(1)	(2)	(3)	(3)	XR	RO
RU	Russia	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	(1)(2)	(2)	(2)	(2)	o	RU
SE	Sweden	X	X	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	O			(2)	(2)	o	SG
SI	Slovenia	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	(1)		(2)	(2)	o	SI
SV	El Salvador	X	X	O	X	O	X	O	X	O	O	O	O			(2)	(2)	o	SV
SZ	Swaziland	X	O	O	O	X	X	O	O	O	O	O	O	(1)(2)		(2)	(2)	XR	SZ
TH	Thailand	O	O	O	O	O	O	O	O	O	O	O	O			(2)	(2)	o	TH
TN	Tunisia	O	O	O	O	O	O	O	O	O	O	O	X		(3)(4)	(4)	o	TN	
TR	Turkey	O	O	O	X	O	X	O	O	O	O	O	O			(2)	(2)	o	TR
UA	Ukraine	O	O	O	O	O	O	O	O	O	O	O	X			(2)	(4)	o	UA
US	United States of America	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X					XR (5)	US
UY	Uruguay	X	X	O	X	O	X	O	X	O	O	X	X			(2)	(2)	XR	UY
YU	Yugoslav Republics	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	(1)		(2)	(2)	XR	YU
ZA	South Africa	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	(1)(2)		(2)	(2)	XR	ZA
ZW	Zimbabwe	X	O	O	O	O	O	O	O	O	O	O	O			(2)	(2)	XR	ZW

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 import live sheep for immediate slaughter from this country direct to their territory until 1 July 1993.

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

▼ **M18***Additional notes*

- XR The plan concerning the residues in live animals and fresh meat for substances having a thyrostatic, oestrogenic, androgenic or gestogenic 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.
- (^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.

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PART 2

SPECIAL COLUMN FOR REGISTERED HORSES

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	(¹)
CR	Costa Rica	x	(¹)
CU	Cuba	x	
EC	Equador	x	(¹)
EG	Egypt	x	(¹)
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	(¹)
TR	Turkey	x	(¹)
VE	Venezuela	x	(¹)

x = Authorized in principle.

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