

COMMISSION DECISION

of 8 February 1985

amending Decision 82/426/EEC concerning animal health conditions and veterinary certification for imports of fresh meat from the United States of America

(85/164/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 16 thereof,

Whereas Commission Decision 82/426/EEC ⁽³⁾ laid
down conditions as to animal health and veterinary
certification for the importation of fresh meat from the
United States of America;

Whereas it is possible, without risk of spread of
disease, to accept meat of bovine animals where such
animals have originated in the United States of
America or in Canada and have spent part of the resi-
dency period in either country;

IV. Attestation of health

I, the undersigned, official veterinarian, certify that the fresh meat described above
has been obtained from:

- in the case of fresh meat from bovine animals, animals which have remained
in the United States of America or in Canada for at least three months before
being slaughtered or since birth in the case of animals less than three months
old,
- in the case of fresh meat from swine, sheep and goats, animals which have
remained in the territory of the United States of America for at least three
months before being slaughtered or since birth in the case of animals less
than three months old,
- in the case of fresh meat from domestic solipeds, animals which have
remained in the territory of the United States of America or a neighbouring
country on the list referred to in Council Decision 79/542/EEC for meat of
domestic solipeds, for at least three months before being slaughtered or since
birth in the case of animals less than three months old,
- in the case of fresh meat from swine, animals which have not come from
holdings which for health reasons are subject to prohibition as a result of an
outbreak of porcine brucellosis during the previous six weeks,

Whereas both the United States and Canada have
given undertakings to the Commission which will
ensure notification to the Commission and the
Member States, within 24 hours at the latest, of the
confirmation of the occurrence of serious epizootic
disease;

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

Part IV of the Animal Health Certificate contained in
the Annex to Decision 82/426/EEC is hereby replaced
by the following:

⁽¹⁾ OJ No L 302, 31. 12. 1972, p. 28.

⁽²⁾ OJ No L 59, 5. 3. 1983, p. 34.

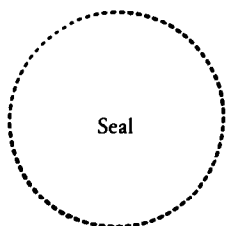
⁽³⁾ OJ No L 186, 30. 6. 1982, p. 54.

— in the case of fresh meat from sheep and goats, animals which have not come from holdings which for health reasons are subject to prohibition as a result of an outbreak of ovine or caprine brucellosis during the previous six weeks.

Done at, on

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(Signature of official veterinarian)



Article 2

This Decision is addressed to the Member States.

Done at Brussels, 8 February 1985.

For the Commission

Frans ANDRIESEN

Vice-President
