

COMMISSION DECISION

of 25 April 2000

amending Decision 1999/813/EC laying down special conditions governing imports of fishery products originating in the Socialist Republic of Vietnam

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(Text with EEA relevance)

(2000/331/EC)

THE COMMISSION OF THE EUROPEAN COMMUNITIES,

Having regard to the Treaty establishing the European Community,

Having regard to Council Directive 91/493/EEC of 22 July 1991 laying down the health conditions for the production and the placing on the market of fishery products ⁽¹⁾, as last amended by Directive 97/79/EC ⁽²⁾, and in particular Article 11(1) thereof,

Whereas:

- (1) Commission Decision 1999/813/EC of 16 November 1999 lays down special conditions governing imports of fishery products originating in the Socialist Republic of Vietnam ⁽³⁾.
- (2) The Commission has adopted Decision 2000/333/EC laying down special conditions for the import of bivalve molluscs, echinoderms, tunicates and marine gastropods originating in the Socialist Republic of Vietnam ⁽⁴⁾.
- (3) The Socialist Republic of Vietnam wishes to export to the Community frozen or processed bivalve molluscs, echinoderms, tunicates and marine gastropods which have been sterilised or heat-treated in accordance with the requirements of Commission Decision 93/25/EEC ⁽⁵⁾, as amended by Decision 97/275/EC ⁽⁶⁾.
- (4) It is therefore necessary to amend the health certification laid down in Annex A to Decision 1999/813/EC.
- (5) The measures provided for in this Decision are in accordance with the opinion of the Standing Veterinary Committee,

HAS ADOPTED THIS DECISION:

Article 1

The health certificate laid down in Annex A to the Decision 1999/813/EC and accompanying the consignments of fishery products originating or proceeding from the Socialist Republic

of Vietnam is amended as follows:

1. Point IV is completed by the following point:

- '7. in addition, where the fishery products are frozen or processed bivalve molluscs: the molluscs were obtained from approved production areas laid down by the Annex to Commission Decision 2000/333/EC ^(*) laying down special conditions for the import of bivalve molluscs, echinoderms, tunicates and marine gastropods originating in the Socialist Republic of Vietnam and which have been sterilised or heat-treated according to the requirements of Commission Decision 93/25/EC.

^(*) OJ L 114, 13.5.2000, p. 42.'

2. The last indent of Point IV is replaced by the following text:

- '— the undersigned official inspector hereby declares that he is aware of the provisions of Directive 91/492/EEC, Directive 91/493/EEC, Directive 92/48/EEC, Decision 93/25/EC, Decision 1999/813/EC and Decision 2000/333/EC.'

Article 2

This Decision is addressed to the Member States.

Done at Brussels, 25 April 2000.

For the Commission

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Member of the Commission

⁽¹⁾ OJ L 268, 24.9.1991, p. 15.

⁽²⁾ OJ L 24, 30.1.1998, p. 31.

⁽³⁾ OJ L 315, 9.12.1999, p. 39.

⁽⁴⁾ See page 42 of this Official Journal.

⁽⁵⁾ OJ L 16, 25.1.1993, p. 22.

⁽⁶⁾ OJ L 108, 25.4.1997, p. 2.