

COMMISSION

COMMISSION DECISION

of 27 June 2006

amending Annex II to Council Decision 79/542/EEC as regards imports of fresh meat from Botswana

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(Text with EEA relevance)

(2006/463/EC)

THE COMMISSION OF THE EUROPEAN COMMUNITIES,

Having regard to the Treaty establishing the European Community,

Having regard to Council Directive 2002/99/EC of 16 December 2002 laying down the animal health rules governing the production, processing, distribution and introduction of products of animal origin for human consumption ⁽¹⁾, and in particular points (1) and (4) of Article 8 thereof,

Whereas:

- (1) Part 1 of Annex II to Council Decision 79/542/EEC of 21 December 1976 drawing up a list of third countries or parts of third countries, and laying down animal and public health and veterinary certification conditions, for importation into the Community of certain live animals and their fresh meat ⁽²⁾ sets out a list of third countries and parts of third countries from which Member States are authorised to import fresh meat of animals as defined in that Decision.
- (2) Under that Decision, parts of the territory of Botswana are authorised for imports into the Community of deboned and matured meat from domestic bovine animals, sheep, goats and wild or farmed non-domestic animals other than suidae and solipeds.
- (3) However an outbreak of foot-and-mouth disease in Botswana within the territory of BW-1 was reported by the veterinary authorities of Botswana to the Commission. The first clinical signs of that disease were seen by the veterinary authorities on 20 April 2006 and they took immediate and appropriate control

measures in the affected zone, including suspending the movement of susceptible animals and their products within and out of the zone and closing down two export establishments approved for imports into the Community.

- (4) In order to take into account those measures introduced by Botswana, the list of authorised third countries and parts thereof, as set out in Part I of Annex II to Decision 79/542/EEC, should be amended. Accordingly imports from Botswana into the Community of consignments of deboned and matured meat from domestic animals and farmed game slaughtered or wild game hunted prior to 20 April 2006 originating from the territory of BW-1 should be indicated as authorised. However, all consignments of such meat from such animals slaughtered or hunted on or after that date originating from that territory should be indicated as not authorised.
- (5) Part 1 of Annex II to Decision 79/542/EEC should therefore be amended accordingly.
- (6) This Decision is to be reviewed in the light of information obtained from Botswana.
- (7) 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

Part 1 of Annex II to Decision 79/542/EEC is replaced by the text in the Annex to this Decision.

⁽¹⁾ OJ L 18, 23.1.2002, p. 11.

⁽²⁾ OJ L 146, 14.6.1979, p. 15. Decision as last amended by Commission Decision 2006/360/EC (OJ L 134, 20.5.2006, p. 34).

Article 2

This Decision shall apply from the third day following that of its publication in the *Official Journal of the European Union*.

Article 3

This Decision is addressed to the Member States.

Done at Brussels, 27 June 2006.

For the Commission
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Member of the Commission

ANNEX

'ANNEX II

FRESH MEAT

Part 1

LIST OF THIRD COUNTRIES OR PARTS THEREOF (*)

Country	Code of Territory	Description of territory	Veterinary certificate		Specific conditions
			Model(s)	SG	
1	2	3	4	5	6
AL — Albania	AL-0	Whole country	—		
AR — Argentina	AR-0	Whole country	EQU		
	AR-1	The Provinces of Buenos Aires, Catamarca, Corrientes (except the departments of Berón de Astrada, Capital, Empedrado, General Paz, Itati, Mburucuyá, San Cosme and San Luís del Palmar), Entre Ríos, La Rioja, Mendoza, Misiones, Neuquen, Rio Negro, San Juan, San Luis, Santa Fe, and Tucuman	BOV	A	1 and 2
	AR-2	La Pampa and Santiago del Estero	BOV	A	1 and 2
	AR-3	Cordoba	BOV	A	1 and 2
	AR-4	Chubut, Santa Cruz and Tierra del Fuego	BOV, OVI, RUW, RUF		1
	AR-5	Formosa (only the territory of Ramon Lista) and Salta (only the department of Rivadavia)	BOV	A	1 and 2
	AR-6	Salta (only the departments of General Jose de San Martin, Oran, Iruya, and Santa Victoria)	BOV	A	1 and 2
	AR-7	Chaco, Formosa (except the territory of Ramon Lista), Salta (except the departments of General Jose de San Martin, Rivadavia, Oran, Iruya, and Santa Victoria), Jujuy	BOV	A	1 and 2
	AR-8	Chaco, Formosa, Salta, Jujuy, with the exception of the buffer area of 25 km from the border with Bolivia and Paraguay that extends from the Santa Catalina District in the Province of Jujuy, to the Laishi District in the Province of Formosa	BOV	A	1 and 2
	AR-9	The buffer area of 25 km from the border with Bolivia and Paraguay that extends from the Santa Catalina District in the Province of Jujuy, to the Laishi District in the Province of Formosa	—		
AR-10	Part of the Province of Corrientes: the departments of Berón de Astrada, Capital, Empedrado, General Paz, Itati, Mburucuyá, San Cosme and San Luís del Palmar	BOV	A	1 and 2	
AU — Australia	AU-0	Whole country	BOV, OVI, POR, EQU, RUF, RUW, SUF, SUW		
BA — Bosnia Herzegovina	BA-0	Whole country	—		

1	2	3	4	5	6
BG — Bulgaria ^a	BG-0	Whole country	EQU		
	BG-1	The provinces of Varna, Dobrich, Silistra, Choumen, Targovitchte, Razgrad, Rousse, V. Tarnovo, Gabrovo, Pleven, Lovetch, Plovdic, Smolian, Pasardjik, Sofia district, Sofia city, Pernik, Kustendil, Blagoevgrad, Vratza, Montana and Vidin	BOV, OVI, RUW, RUF		
	BG-2	The provinces of Bourgas, Jambol, Sliven, Starazagora, Hasskovo, Kardjaliand and the 20 km wide corridor on the border with Turkey	—		
BH — Bahrain	BH-0	Whole country	—		
BR — Brazil	BR-0	Whole country	EQU		
	BR-1	Part of the State of Minas Gerais (except regional delegations of Oliveira, Passos, São Gonçalo de Sapucaí, Setelagoas and Bambuí), State of Espírito Santo, State of Goiás and, Part of the State of Mato Grosso comprising the regional unit of Cuiabá (except for the municipalities of San Antonio de Leverger, Nossa Senhora do Livramento, Pocone and Barão de Melgaço), the regional unit of Caceres (except for the municipality of Caceres), the regional unit of Lucas do Rio Verde, the regional unit of Rondonopolis (except for the municipality of Itiquiora), the regional unit of Barra do Garça and the regional unit of Barra do Burgres	BOV	A and H	1 and 2
	BR-2	State of Rio Grande do Sul	BOV	A and H	1 and 2
	BR-3	Part of the State of Mato Grosso do Sul comprising the municipality of Sete Quedas	BOV	A and H	1 and 2
	BR-4	Part of the State of Mato Grosso do Sul (except for the municipalities of: Sonora, Aquidauana, Bodoqueno, Bonito, Caracol, Coxim, Jardim, Ladario, Miranda, Pedro Gomes, Porto Murtinho, Rio Negro, Rio Verde of Mato Grosso and Corumbá), State of Paraná, and State of Sao Paulo	BOV	A and H	1 and 2
	BR-5	State of Paraná, State of Mato Grosso do Sul and State of Sao Paulo	—	—	1
	BR-6	State of Santa Catarina	BOV	A and H	1 and 2
	BW — Botswana	BW-0	Whole country	EQU, EQW	
BW-1		The veterinary disease control zones 5, 6, 7, 8, 9 and 18	BOV, OVI, RUF, RUW	F	1 and 2
BW-2		The veterinary disease control zones 10, 11, 12, 13 and 14	BOV, OVI, RUF, RUW	F	1 and 2

1	2	3	4	5	6
BY — Belarus	BY-0	Whole country	—		
BZ — Belize	BZ-0	Whole country	BOV, EQU		
CA — Canada	CA-0	Whole country	BOV, OVI, POR, EQU, SUF, SUW RUF, RUW	G	
CH — Switzerland	CH-0	Whole country	BOV, OVI, POR, EQU, RUF, RUW, SUF, SUW		
CL — Chile	CL-0	Whole country	BOV, OVI, POR, EQU, RUF, RUW, SUF		
CN — China (People's Republic of)	CN-0	Whole country	—		
CO — Colombia	CO-0	Whole country	EQU		
	CO-1	The zone included within the borderlines from the point where the Murri River flows into the Atrato River, downstream along the Atrato River to where it flows into the Atlantic Ocean from this point to the Panamanian border following the Atlantic coastline to Cabo Tiburón; from this point to the Pacific Ocean following the Columbian-Panamanian border; from this point to the mouth of the Valle River along the Pacific coast and from this point along a straight line to the point where the Murri River flows into the Atrato River	BOV	A	2
	CO-3	The zone included within the borderlines from the mouth of the Sinu River on the Atlantic Ocean, upstream along the Sinu River to its headwaters of Alto Paramillo, from this point to Puerto Rey on the Atlantic Ocean, following the borderline between the Department of Antiquia and Córdoba, and from this point to the mouth of the Sinu River along the Atlantic coast	BOV	A	2
CR — Costa Rica	CR-0	Whole country	BOV, EQU		
CU — Cuba	CU-0	Whole country	BOV, EQU		
DZ — Algeria	DZ-0	Whole country	—		
ET — Ethiopia	ET-0	Whole country	—		
FK — Falkland Islands	FK-0	Whole country	BOV, OVI, EQU		
GL — Greenland	GL-0	Whole country	BOV, OVI, EQU, RUF, RUW		
GT — Guatemala	GT-0	Whole country	BOV, EQU		
HK — Hong Kong	HK-0	Whole country	—		
HN — Honduras	HN-0	Whole country	BOV, EQU		

1	2	3	4	5	6
HR — Croatia	HR-0	Whole country	BOV, OVI, EQU, RUF, RUW		
IL — Israel	IL-0	Whole country	—		
IN — India	IN-0	Whole country	—		
IS — Iceland	IS-0	Whole country	BOV, OVI, EQU, RUF, RUW		
KE — Kenya	KE-0	Whole country	—		
MA — Morocco	MA-0	Whole country	EQU		
MG — Madagascar	MG-0	Whole country	—		
MK — Former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia (***)	MK-0	Whole country	OVI, EQU		
MU — Mauritius	MU-0	Whole country	—		
MX — Mexico	MX-0	Whole country	BOV, EQU		
NA — Namibia	NA-0	Whole country	EQU, EQW		
	NA-1	South of the cordon fences which extend from Palgrave Point in the west to Gam in the east	BOV, OVI, RUF, RUW	F	2
NC — New Caledonia	NC-0	Whole country	BOV, RUF, RUW		
NI — Nicaragua	NI-0	Whole country	—		
NZ — New Zealand	NZ-0	Whole country	BOV, OVI, POR, EQU, RUF, RUW, SUF, SUW		
PA — Panamá	PA-0	Whole country	BOV, EQU		
PY — Paraguay	PY-0	Whole country	EQU		
	PY-1	Chaco central and San Pedro areas	BOV	A	1 and 2
RO — Romania ^a	RO-0	Whole country	BOV, OVI, EQU, RUW, RUF		
RU — Russia	RU-0	Whole country	—		
	RU-1	Region of Murmansk, Yamolo-Neeets autonomous area	RUF		
SV — El Salvador	SV-0	Whole country	—		

1	2	3	4	5	6
SZ — Swaziland	SZ-0	Whole country	EQU, EQW		
	SZ-1	Area west of the "red line" fence which extends northwards from the river Usutu to the frontier with South Africa west of Nkalashane	BOV, RUF, RUW	F	2
	SZ-2	The veterinary foot and mouth surveillance and vaccination control areas as gazetted as a Statutory Instrument under legal notice number 51 of 2001	BOV, RUF, RUW	F	1 and 2
TH — Thailand	TH-0	Whole country	—		
TN — Tunisia	TN-0	Whole country	—		
TR — Turkey	TR-0	Whole country	—		
	TR-1	The provinces of Amasya, Ankara, Aydin, Balikesir, Bursa, Cankiri, Corum, Denizli, Izmir, Kastamonu, Kutahya, Manisa, Usak, Yozgat and Kirikkale	EQU		
UA — Ukraine	UA-0	Whole country	—		
US — United States	US-0	Whole country	BOV, OVI, POR, EQU, SUF, SUW, RUF, RUW	G	
XM — Montenegro	XM-0	Whole custom territory (****)	BOV, OVI, EQU		
XS — Serbia (**)	XS-0	Whole custom territory (****)	BOV, OVI, EQU		
UY — Uruguay	UY-0	Whole country	EQU		
			BOV	A	1 and 2
			OVI	A	1 and 2
ZA — South Africa	ZA-0	Whole country	EQU, EQW		
	ZA-1	The whole country except: — the part of the foot-and-mouth disease control area situated in the veterinary regions of Mpumalanga and Northern provinces, in the district of Ingwavuma of the veterinary region of Natal and in the border area with Botswana east of longitude 28°, and — the district of Camperdown, in the province of KwaZuluNatal	BOV, OVI, RUF, RUW	F	2
ZW — Zimbabwe	ZW-0	Whole country	—		

(*) Without prejudice to specific certification requirements provided for by Community agreements with third countries.

(**) Not including Kosovo as defined by United Nations Security Council Resolution 1244 of 10 June 1999.

(***) The Former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia; provisional code that does not prejudice in any way the definitive nomenclature for this country, which will be agreed following the conclusion of negotiations currently taking place on this subject in the United Nations.

(****) Serbia and Montenegro are Republics with individual customs territory forming a State Union and therefore have to be listed separately.

— = No certificate laid down and fresh meat imports are prohibited (except for those species where indicated in the line for the whole country).

^a = Only applicable until this Accessing State becomes a Member States of the European Union.

Specific conditions referred to in column 6

"1" Geographic and timing restrictions:

Code of Territory	Veterinary certificate		Time period/dates for which importation into the Community is authorised or not authorised in relation to dates of slaughter/killing of animals from which the meat was obtained	
	Model	SG		
AR-1	BOV	A	Before and including 31 January 2002	Not authorised
			After and including 1 February 2002	Authorised
AR-2	BOV	A	Before and including 8 March 2002	Not authorised
			After and including 9 March 2002	Authorised
AR-4	BOV, OVI, RUW, RUF	—	Before and including 28 February 2002	Not authorised
			After and including 1 March 2002	Authorised
AR-5	BOV	A	From 1 February 2002 to 10 July 2003 (inclusive)	Authorised
			After and including 11 July 2003	Not authorised
AR-6	BOV	A	From 1 February 2002 to 4 September 2003 (inclusive)	Authorised
			After and including 5 September 2003	Not authorised
AR-7	BOV	A	From 1 February 2002 to 7 October 2003 (inclusive)	Authorised
			After and including 8 October 2003	Not authorised
AR-8	BOV	A	Before and including 17 March 2005	See AR-5, AR-6 and AR-7 for periods when the specific territories within the area referred to in AR-8 were not authorised
			After and including 18 March 2005	Authorised
AR-10	BOV	A	Before and including 3 January 2006	Authorised
			After and including 4 January 2006 except for consignments already on their way before 4 February to the Community certified between 4 January and 4 February 2006	Not authorised
BR-1	BOV	A	After 1 December 2001	Authorised
BR-2	BOV	A	Before and including 30 November 2001	Not authorised
			After and including 1 December 2001	Authorised
BR-3	BOV	A	Before and including 31 October 2002	Authorised
			After and including 1 November 2002	Not authorised
BR-4	BOV	A	After and including 1 December 2001 until and including 29 September 2005	Authorised

Code of Territory	Veterinary certificate		Time period/dates for which importation into the Community is authorised or not authorised in relation to dates of slaughter/killing of animals from which the meat was obtained	
	Model	SG		
BR-5	BOV		After and including 30 September 2005	Not authorised
BR-6	BOV	A	After 1 December 2001	Authorised
BW-1	BOV, OVI, RUW, RUF	A	Before 20 April 2006	Authorised
			After and including 20 April 2006	Not authorised
BW-2	BOV, OVI, RUW, RUF	A	Before and including 6 March 2002	Not authorised
			After and including 7 March 2002	Authorised
PY-1	BOV	A	Before and including 31 August 2002	Not authorised
			After and including 1 September 2002 to 19 February 2003	Authorised
			After and including 20 February 2003	Not authorised
SZ-2	BOV, RUF, RUW	A	Before and including 3 August 2003	Not authorised
			After and including 4 August 2003	Authorised
UY-0	BOV, OVI	A	Before and including 31 October 2001	Not authorised
			After and including 1 November 2001	Authorised

"2" Category restrictions:

No offal authorised (except, in the case of bovine species, diaphragm and masseter muscles).'