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## COMMISSION

## COMMISSION DECISION

of 6 October 2006

**amending Decision 2003/858/EC as regards the list of territories from which importation of certain species of live fish, their eggs and gametes intended for farming in the European Community is authorised**

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(Text with EEA relevance)

(2006/680/EC)

THE COMMISSION OF THE EUROPEAN COMMUNITIES,

Having regard to the Treaty establishing the European Community,

Having regard to Council Directive 91/67/EEC of 28 January 1991 concerning the animal health conditions governing the placing on the market of aquaculture animals and products <sup>(1)</sup>, and in particular Article 19(1) thereof,

Whereas:

(1) Commission Decision 2003/858/EC of 21 November 2003 laying down the animal health conditions and certification requirements for imports of live fish, their eggs and gametes intended for farming, and live fish of aquaculture origin and products thereof intended for human consumption <sup>(2)</sup>, establishes a list of third countries or parts thereof from which imports of live fish, their eggs and gametes intended for farming in the Community are authorised.

(2) In March 2006, Community veterinary experts undertook an on-the-spot inspection in Albania to verify the compliance with Decision 2003/858/EC.

(3) The findings made during that inspection show that Albania cannot provide for the necessary animal health guarantees for export into the Community of live fish, their eggs and gametes intended for farming.

(4) Since such import into the Community could seriously jeopardise the aquatic animal health situation in the Community, Albania should be deleted from the list of third countries from which Member States are authorised to import live fish, their eggs and gametes intended for farming in the Community set out in Annex I to Decision 2003/858/EC.

(5) Decision 2003/858/EC should therefore be amended accordingly.

(6) The measures provided for in this Decision are in accordance with the opinion of the Standing Committee for the Food Chain and Animal Health,

HAS ADOPTED THIS DECISION:

*Article 1*

Annex I to Decision 2003/858/EC is replaced by the text in the Annex to this Decision.

<sup>(1)</sup> OJ L 46, 19.2.1991, p. 1. Directive as last amended by Regulation (EC) No 806/2003 (OJ L 122, 16.5.2003, p. 1).

<sup>(2)</sup> OJ L 324, 11.12.2003, p. 37. Decision as last amended by Decision 2005/742/EC (OJ L 279, 22.10.2005, p. 71).

*Article 2*

This Decision is addressed to the Member States.

Done at Brussels, 6 October 2006.

*For the Commission*  
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*Member of the Commission*

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## ANNEX

## 'ANNEX I

**Territories from which importation of certain species of live fish, their eggs, and gametes intended for farming in the European Community (EC) is authorised**

Country		Territory		Comments <sup>(1)</sup>
ISO Code	Name	Code	Description	
AU	Australia			
BG	Bulgaria			
BR	Brazil			Cyprinidae only
CA	Canada			
CG	Congo			Cyprinidae only
CL	Chile			
CN	China			Cyprinidae only
CO	Colombia			Cyprinidae only
HR	Croatia			
ID	Indonesia			
IL	Israel			
JM	Jamaica			Cyprinidae only
JP	Japan			Cyprinidae only
LK	Sri Lanka			Cyprinidae only
MK <sup>(2)</sup>	former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia			Cyprinidae only
MY	Malaysia (Peninsula, Western Malaysia only)			Cyprinidae only
NZ	New Zealand			
RU	Russia			
SG	Singapore			Cyprinidae only
TH	Thailand			Cyprinidae only
TR	Turkey			
TW	Taiwan			Cyprinidae only
US	United States			
ZA	South Africa			

<sup>(1)</sup> No limitations if left blank. If a country or territory is allowed to export certain species, and/or eggs or gametes, the species must be specified and/or a comment, for example, "eggs only" must be inserted in this column.

<sup>(2)</sup> Provisional code that does not affect the definitive denomination of the country to be attributed after the conclusion of the negotiations currently taking place in the United Nations.'