COMMISSION DIRECTIVE

of 27 April 1989

amending for the second time the Annexes to Council Directive 77/96/EEC on the examination for Trichinae (Trichinelle spiralis) upon importation from third countries of fresh meat derived from domestic swine

(89/321/EEC)

THE COMMISSION OF THE EUROPEAN COMMUNITIES,

Having regard to the Treaty establishing the European Economic Community,

Having regard to Council Directive 77/96/EEC of 21 December 1976 on the examination for trichinae (trichinella spiralis) upon importation from third countries of fresh meat derived from domestic swine [1], as last amended by Regulation (EEC) No 3768/85 [2], and in particular Article 8 thereof,

Whereas recent studies have enabled certain methods to be devised for detecting trichinae in pigmeat; whereas the reliability of these methods from the point of view of health protection is equivalent to that of existing methods; whereas appropriate additions should, therefore, be made to Annex I to Directive 77/96/EEC;

Whereas, in order to facilitate the work of examination for trichinae, non-member countries and the Member States should be permitted to choose between the examination methods provided for;

Whereas the measures laid down by this Directive are in accordance with the opinion of the Standing Veterinary Committee;

HAS ADOPTED THIS DIRECTIVE:

Article 1

Directive 77/96/EEC is hereby amended as set out in the Annex.

Article 2

Member States shall bring into force the laws, regulations and administrative provisions necessary to comply with this Directive not later than 1 September 1989. They shall forthwith inform the Commission thereof.

Article 3

This Directive is addressed to the Member States.

Done at Brussels, 27 April 1989.

For the Commission

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Member of the Commission

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[1] OJ No L 26, 31. 1. 1977, p. 67.
[2] OJ No L 362, 31. 12. 1985, p. 8.