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THE COUNCIL OF THE EUROPEAN COMMUNITIES,

Having regard to the Treaty establishing the European Economic Community, and in particular Article 43 thereof,

Having regard to the proposal from the Commission [1],

Having regard to the opinion of the European Parliament [2],

Having regard to the opinion of the Economic and Social Committee [3],

Whereas, Council Directive 64/433/EEC of 26 June 1964 on health problems affecting intra-Community trade in fresh meat [4], as last amended by Regulation (EEC) No 3805/87 [5], provides for health inspections and controls in respect of fresh meat intended for intra-Community trade;

Whereas it is appropriate to undertake the same inspections in respect of fresh meat intended for trade on the internal market of each Member State in order to guarantee free movement inside the Community as well as in order to avoid distortions of competition for products subject to the common organization of the market whilst assuring, at the same time, uniform conditions of health protection to consumers;

Whereas according to Article 2 (1) of Council Directive 85/73/EEC of 29 January 1985 on the financing of health inspections and controls of fresh meat and poultry meat [6] the levels of fees to be collected for fresh meat coming from slaughterhouses that are not approved under Directive 64/433/EEC shall not be fixed except in connection with the adoption of rules of inspection for that meat;

Whereas, in view of the extension of the inspection rules laid down in Directive 64/433/EEC to all animals slaughtered for local consumption and of the obligation of this meat to be subject to the controls referred to in Council Directive 85/358/EEC of 16 July 1985 supplementing Directive 81/602/EEC concerning the prohibition of certain substances having a hormonal action and of any substances having a thyrostatic action [7] and in view of Council Directive 86/469/EEC of 16 September 1986 concerning the examination of animals and fresh meat for the presence of residues [8] it is appropriate to adopt for meat intended for local consumption the same levels of fees as those laid down in Council Decision 88/408/EEC of 15 June 1988 on the levels of the fees to be charged for health inspections and controls of fresh meat pursuant to Directive 85/73/EEC [9];

Whereas however it is not opportune at this stage to regulate, at Community level, the matter of slaughter for the personal needs of the farmer;

Whereas, owing to difficulties inherent in the particular geographical characteristics of its territory, a further two-year period should be granted so as to enable the Hellenic Republic to apply the inspection

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[1] OJ No C 302, 27. 11. 1986, p. 4 and OJ No C 298, 7. 11. 1987, p. 4.
[2] OJ No C 281, 19. 10. 1987, p. 202.
[3] OJ No C 83, 30. 3. 1987, p. 2.
[4] OJ No 121, 29. 7. 1964, p. 2012/64.
[5] OJ No L 357, 19. 12. 1987, p. 1.
[6] OJ No L 32, 5. 2. 1985, p. 14.
[7] OJ No L 191, 23. 7. 1985, p. 46.
[8] OJ No L 275, 26. 9. 1986, p. 36.
[9] See page 24 of this Official Journal.