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COUNCIL

COUNCIL DIRECTIVE

of 12 June 1985

amending Directive 64/432/EEC as regards certain measures relating to classical swine fever and African swine fever

(85/320/EEC)

THE COUNCIL OF THE EUROPEAN COMMUNITIES,

Having regard to the Treaty establishing the European Economic Community, and in particular Articles 43 and 100 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 Directive 64/432/EEC (4), as last amended by Directive 84/644/EEC (5), lays down the health requirements to be fulfilled by live cattle and pigs intended for intra-Community trade ;

Whereas, in view of the development of classical swine fever in certain parts of the territory of the Community, the measures relating to trade should be strengthened and the circumstances in which the status of the officially swine-fever-free regions should be altered in the event of an outbreak of the disease should be more clearly defined ;

Whereas, even if it occurs only exceptionally in certain parts of the territory of the Community, African swine fever constitutes a danger of contamination to the pig herds of the Member States ; whereas rules should therefore be established laying down protective measures to be applied in intra-Community trade in live pigs,

HAS ADOPTED THIS DIRECTIVE :

Article 1

Directive 64/432/EEC is hereby amended as follows :

1. In Article 3 (2) (b) (ii), 'a protective area with a radius of 2 kilometres shall be established around the holding for a period of 15 days' is replaced by 'a protection zone with a radius of 3 kilometres shall be established around the holding for a period of 30 days where the disease is swine fever and with a radius of 2 kilometres for 15 days where other diseases are involved'.

2. Article 4b (1) (c) is replaced by the following :

'(c) or a part of territory made up of a region or several adjacent regions recognized as officially swine-fever-free for the purpose of intra-Community trade by the Council acting unanimously on a proposal from the Commission within three months of the date on which the proposal was referred to it.

(1) OJ No C 272, 12. 10. 1984, p. 6.
(2) OJ No C 12, 14. 1. 1985, p. 127.
(3) OJ No C 44, 15. 2. 1985, p. 4.
(4) OJ No 121, 29. 7. 1964, p. 1977/64.
(5) OJ No L 339, 27. 12. 1984, p. 30.