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COMMISSION

COMMISSION DECISION

of 24 June 1992

amending Annex III to Council Directive 90/539/EEC on animal health conditions governing intra-Community trade in, and imports from third countries of, poultry and hatching eggs as regards poultry vaccination conditions

(92/369/EEC)

THE COMMISSION OF THE EUROPEAN COMMUNITIES,

Having regard to the Treaty establishing the European Economic Community,

Having regard to Council Directive 90/539/EEC of 15 October 1990 on animal health conditions governing intra-Community trade in, and imports from third countries of, poultry and hatching eggs (1), as last amended by Directive 91/496/EEC (2), and in particular Article 34 thereof,

Whereas Annex III to Directive 90/539/EEC presently requires, in particular, that poultry for intra-Community trade are vaccinated with vaccines that conform to the requirements of the *European Pharmacopoeia*;

Whereas European Pharmacopoeia monographs are not available for many poultry vaccines currently in use in Member States;

Whereas it is desirable to amend the said Annex to permit the use of vaccines which are not necessarily the subject of *European Pharmacopoeia* monographs;

Whereas the measures provided for in this Decision are in accordance with the opinion of the Standing Veterinary Committee,

HAS ADOPTED THIS DECISION:

Article 1

Annex III to Directive 90/539/EEC is replaced by the Annex to this Decision.

Article 2

This Decision is addressed to the Member States.

Done at Brussels, 24 June 1992.

For the Commission
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Member of the Commission

⁽¹) OJ No L 303, 31. 10. 1990, p. 6. (²) OJ No L 268, 24. 9. 1991, p. 56.

ANNEX

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POULTRY VACCINATION CONDITIONS

- 1. Vaccines used for vaccinating poultry or flocks producing hatching eggs must have a marketing authorization issued by the competent authoritiy of the Member State in which the vaccine is used.
- 2. The criteria for using vaccines against Newcastle disease in the context of routine-vaccination programmes may be determined by the Commission.'