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Proposal for a COUNCIL DECISION

amending Commission Decision 89/244/EEC authorizing certain Member States to provide for exceptions from certain provisions of Directive 77/93/EEC in respect of potatoes for human consumption originating in Turkey

(presented by the Commission)

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EXPLANATORY MEMORANDUM

For plant health reasons the importation of potatoes for human consumption into the Community from Turkey is in principle prohibited.

Commission Decision 89/244/EEC (1) of 21 March 1989 approved derogations provided by Belgium, Luxemburg, the Netherlands and Germany from the prohibition. These Member States were authorized to import Turkish potatoes for human consumption under certain specified conditions ensuring that the plant health risk was controlled. The decision stipulated that the authorization shall expire on 15 May 1989.

The Commission proposal for a Council Decision amending the aforementioned Commission Decision, would exceptionally, extend the deadline from 15 May 1989 until 15 June 1989, in order to compensate for the impossibility of harvesting potatoes in the region of production due to unanticipated unfavourable climatic conditions in the region of production.

A similar draft for a Commission Decision received no opinion from the Standing Committee on Plant Health and the Commission's proposal for a Council Decision is made in implementation of the urgency procedure laid down in Article 17(4) of Directive 77/93/EEC on protective measures against the introduction into the Member States of organisms harmful to plants or plant products (2) as last amended by Directive 88/572/EEC (3).

Following this procedure the Council may adopt the measures proposed by a qualified majority or reject them by a simple majority within fifteen days.

The draft Commission Decision has no financial implications for the Community budget.

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- (1) OJ No L 99, 12.4.1989, p. 26.
 - (2) OJ No L 26, 31.1.1977, p. 20.
 - (3) OJ No L 313, 19.11.1988, p. 39.

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THE COUNCIL OF THE EUROPEAN COMMUNITIES,

Having regard to the Treaty establishing the European Economic Community,

Having regard to the proposal from the Commission,

Having regard to Council Directive 77/93/EEC of 21 December 1976 on protective measures against the introduction into the Member States of organisms harmful to plants or plant products (1), as last amended by Directive 88/572/EEC (2), Article 17 and in particular Articles 14(3) and 17 thereof,

Having regard to the requests made by Belgium, the Federal Republic of Germany, Luxembourg and the Netherlands,

Whereas under the provisions of Directive 77/93/EEC, potato tubers originating in Turkey may in principle not be introduced into the Community because of the risk of introducing exotic potato diseases unknown in the Community;

Whereas, however, Article 14(3) of the said Directive permits exceptions from that rule, provided that it is established that there is no risk of spreading harmful organisms;

(1) OJ No L 26, 31.1.1977, p. 20.

(2) OJ No L 313, 19.11.1988, p. 39.

Whereas by Commission Decision 89/244/EEC (3), the Commission granted such derogations under revised conditions in respect of potatoes for human consumption originating in Turkey;

Whereas that Decision stipulated that the authorization shall expire on 15 May 1989;

Whereas it appears that unfavourable climatic conditions have delayed the harvest of potatoes in the region of Adana; whereas, as a consequence, the deliveries cannot be finished by the aforementioned date of 15 May 1989;

Whereas therefore the aforementioned date of 15 May 1989 should be replaced by a later date;

Whereas the Standing Committee on Plant Health has not delivered an opinion within the time limit set by its chairman,

HAS ADOPTED THIS DECISION:

Article 1

In Article 2 of Commission Decision 89/244/EEC, '15 May 1989' is hereby replaced by '15 June 1989'.

Article 2

This Decision is addressed to the Kingdom of Belgium, the Federal Republic of Germany, the Grand Duchy of Luxembourg and the Kingdom of the Netherlands.

(3) OJ No L 99, 12.4.1989, p. 26.

FICHE D'IMPACT SUR LA COMPETITIVITE ET L'EMPLOI

- I. Quelle est la justification principale de la mesure ?
Etendre la période de dérogation pour permettre que les pommes de terre originaires de la Turquie mûrissent tardivement puissent encore être importées suivant le régime phytosanitaire antérieurement approuvé.
- II. Caractéristiques des entreprises concernées. En particulier :
- (a) Y a-t-il un grand nombre de PME ?
Inconnu
- (b) Note-t-on des concentrations dans des régions
i. éligibles aux aides régionales des Etats membres ?
ii. éligibles au Feder ? Non
- III. Quelles sont les obligations imposées directement aux entreprises ?
Aucune
- IV. Quelles sont les obligations susceptibles d'être imposées indirectement aux entreprises via les autorités locales ?
Aucune
- V. Y a-t-il des mesures spéciales pour les PME ? Lesquelles ?
- VI. Quel est l'effet prévisible
a) sur la compétitivité des entreprises ?
b) sur l'emploi ? Aucune, compte tenu du caractère temporaire de la mesure
- VII. Les partenaires sociaux ont-ils été consultés ? Quels sont leurs avis ?

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