

DECISIONS

COMMISSION IMPLEMENTING DECISION (EU) 2020/552

of 20 April 2020

amending Annexes I and II to Decision 2003/467/EC as regards the officially tuberculosis-free status of the region of Valle d'Aosta in Italy and of the Autonomous Region of the Azores in Portugal, and as regards the officially brucellosis-free status of several regions of Portugal

(notified under document C(2020) 2260)

(Text with EEA relevance)

THE EUROPEAN COMMISSION,

Having regard to the Treaty on the Functioning of the European Union,

Having regard to Council Directive 64/432/EEC of 26 June 1964 on animal health problems affecting intra-Community trade in bovine animals and swine ⁽¹⁾, and in particular paragraph 4 of Annex A.I and paragraph 7 of Annex A.II thereof,

Whereas:

- (1) Directive 64/432/EEC applies to trade within the Union in bovine animals. It lays down the conditions whereby a Member State or a region thereof may be declared officially tuberculosis-free or officially brucellosis-free as regards bovine herds.
- (2) Article 1(2) of Commission Decision 2003/467/EC ⁽²⁾ provides that regions of Member States listed in Chapter 2 of Annex I thereto are declared officially tuberculosis-free as regards bovine herds.
- (3) Italy has submitted to the Commission documentation demonstrating compliance for the region of Valle d'Aosta with the conditions laid down in Directive 64/432/EEC in order to be recognised as officially tuberculosis-free region as regards bovine herds.
- (4) Portugal has submitted to the Commission documentation demonstrating compliance for the Autonomous Region of the Azores except the island of São Miguel with the conditions laid down in Directive 64/432/EEC in order to be recognised as officially tuberculosis-free region as regards bovine herds.
- (5) Following the evaluation of that supporting documentation, the region of Valle d'Aosta in Italy and the Autonomous Region of the Azores in Portugal except the island of São Miguel should be recognised as officially tuberculosis-free as regards bovine herds.
- (6) Annex I to Decision 2003/467/EC should therefore be amended accordingly.
- (7) Article 2(2) of Decision 2003/467/EC provides that regions of Member States listed in Chapter 2 of Annex II thereto are declared officially brucellosis-free as regards bovine herds.

⁽¹⁾ OJ L 21, 29.7.1964, p. 1977/64.

⁽²⁾ Commission Decision 2003/467/EC of 23 June 2003 establishing the official tuberculosis, brucellosis, and enzootic-bovine-leukosis-free status of certain Member States and regions of Member States as regards bovine herds (OJ L 156, 25.6.2003, p. 74).

- (8) Portugal has submitted to the Commission documentation demonstrating compliance for the administrative regions (distritos) Aveiro, Viseu, Guarda, Coimbra, Leiria and Castelo Branco within the superior administrative region (região) Centro with the conditions laid down in Directive 64/432/EEC in order to be recognised as officially brucellosis-free regions as regards bovine herds.
- (9) Following the evaluation of that supporting documentation, the administrative regions (distritos) Aveiro, Viseu, Guarda, Coimbra, Leiria and Castelo Branco in Portugal should be recognised as officially brucellosis-free as regards bovine herds.
- (10) Annex II to Decision 2003/467/EC should therefore be amended accordingly.
- (11) The measures provided for in this Decision are in accordance with the opinion of the Standing Committee on Plants, Animals, Food and Feed,

HAS ADOPTED THIS DECISION:

Article 1

Annexes I and II to Decision 2003/467/EC are amended in accordance with the Annex to this Decision.

Article 2

This Decision is addressed to the Member States.

Done at Brussels, 20 April 2020.

For the Commission
Stella KYRIAKIDES
Member of the Commission

ANNEX

Annexes I and II to Decision 2003/467/EC are amended as follows:

(1) in Chapter 2 of Annex I to Decision 2003/467/EC, the entries for Italy and Portugal are replaced by the following:

‘In Italy:

- Region Abruzzo: Province of Pescara,
- Province of Bolzano,
- Region Emilia-Romagna,
- Region Friuli-Venezia Giulia,
- Region Lazio: Provinces of Frosinone, Rieti, Viterbo,
- Region Liguria,
- Region Lombardia,
- Region Marche: Provinces of Ancona, Ascoli Piceno, Fermo, Pesaro-Urbino,
- Region Piemonte,
- Region Sardegna: Provinces of Cagliari, Medio-Campidano, Ogliastra, Olbia-Tempio, Oristano,
- Region Toscana,
- Province of Trento,
- Region Umbria,
- Region Valle d’Aosta,
- Region Veneto.

In Portugal:

- Região Algarve: all distritos,
- Região Autónoma dos Açores except Ilha de São Miguel.’;

(2) in Chapter 2 of Annex II to Decision 2003/467/EC, the entry for Portugal is replaced by the following:

‘In Portugal:

- Região Algarve: all distritos,
 - Região Autónoma dos Açores: Ilhas de Corvo, Faial, Flores, Graciosa, Pico, Santa Maria,
 - Região Centro: distritos Aveiro, Viseu, Guarda, Coimbra, Leiria, Castelo Branco.’.
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