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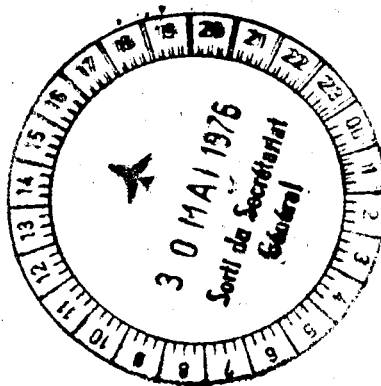
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# COMMISSION OF THE EUROPEAN COMMUNITIES

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Brussels, 26 April 1976.



## Proposal for a COUNCIL DIRECTIVE

concerning surveys of pig production to be made by Member States

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(submitted to the Council by the Commission)

COM(76) 165 final.

Communication from the Commission to the Council

Having regard to experience gained, the Commission forwards herewith to the Council a recast version of the existing texts concerning surveys of pig production, subject to the following additions :

- Basic Directive - reference to the 'Committee' procedure, Article 11 in accordance with the Commission's Report COM (75) 698 of 12 January 1976;
- Commission Decision - Article 2, period of eight weeks instead of ten weeks (the same time limit as that laid down in the directive on surveys of beef production, 73/132/EEC, Article 5),
- Article 4 (1), category of animals already used by the Member States in December 1973, Directive 72/281/EEC, Article 2.

These two texts supercede Council Directive 68/161/EEC, 72/281/EEC and 73/359/EEC of 27 March 1968, 31 July 1972 and 19 November 1973.

COUNCIL DIRECTIVE

of

concerning surveys of pig production to be made by Member States

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,

Having regard to the Opinion of the European Parliament;

Whereas, in order to carry out the tasks imposed on it by the Treaty and by Council Regulation (EEC) No 2759/75 of 29 October 1975 on the common organisation of the market in pigmeat<sup>(1)</sup>, the Commission needs to be precisely informed as to trends in pig population and in pigmeat production in the Member States, and to have at its disposal shortterm forecasts of market supplies of pigmeat;

Whereas surveys of the pig population should therefore be undertaken in all Member States at comparable points in time, covering similar categories and conducted with comparable accuracy; whereas monthly statistics for slaughterings should be supplemented and forecasts of pigmeat production should be made regularly and in respect of identical periods;

Whereas these surveys should in principle be restricted to holdings which normally engage in the breeding or fattening of pigs; whereas it is necessary, however, in order that a complete picture may be obtained, that a special study be made to cover pigs not coming within the field of survey;

Whereas experience gained in implementing the Directive of 27 March 1968 concerning surveys of pig production to be made by Member States<sup>(2)</sup> has shown that it is easier to compare results if the return date for surveys of pig population is specified as precisely as possible;

Whereas, since there are to be no further complete Community censuses, appropriate measures must be taken as regards sampling criteria to avoid deterioration in the results of sample surveys;

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(1) OJ N° L 282, 1.11.1975, p. 1

(2) OJ N° L 76, 28. 3. 1968, p.13

Whereas, as the structure of the pig farming industry changes very quickly, it is necessary that a breakdown of results of the surveys by categories of animal be made at least every two years;

Whereas, in order that it may be ascertained whether the survey methods used have been giving a clear picture of the constant developments in the pig farming industry, a progress report should be submitted from time to time;

Whereas, in order to ensure that efforts are co-ordinated as efficiently as possible, all problems arising in connection with the implementation of this Directive, and in particular those concerning the conduct and analysis of the surveys, must be the subject of consultation and permanent co-operation between the Commission and the Member State ;

Whereas, according to experience gained in previous surveys of pig production, it is necessary to introduce some measure of flexibility into the statistical classification of the technical features to be surveyed;

Whereas, in order to facilitate the application of the proposed measures, provision should be made for a procedure establishing close cooperation between the Member States and the Commission within the Standing Committee for Agricultural Statistics, established by the Council Decision of 31 July 1972<sup>1</sup>;

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(1) OJ N° L 179, 7.8.1972, p. 1

HAS ADOPTED THIS DIRECTIVE :

#### Article 1

Member States shall every four months carry out surveys, one of which shall be at the beginning of December, of pig population in their countries coming within the field of survey defined in Article 3 (1).

#### Article 2

For the purposes of this Directive 'pigs' means swine of domestic species falling within subheading N° 01.03 A of the Common Customs Tariff.

#### Article 3

1. The surveys provided for in Article 1 shall cover all pigs on holdings of an agricultural or 'industrial' type. For the purposes of this Directive, holdings of an agricultural or 'industrial' type are the following :
  - holdings with a utilised agricultural area of not less than one hectare;
  - holdings with not less than one breeding pig ;
  - holdings with not less than three pigs other than breeding pigs.
2. However, such surveys may also cover pigs outside the field of survey defined in paragraph 1.

#### Article 4

1. The purpose of the surveys provided for in Article 1 shall be to ascertain the pig population, broken down by category to be defined according to the procedure provided for under Article 11.
2. For December, April and August, surveys as provided for in Article 1 shall relate to the number of pigs present on one of the first three days of the month in question.

However, in the case of the April and August surveys, the return date may be that on which the survey is carried out, provided that surveys are carried out within the first six days of these months.
3. Member States shall communicate the results of these surveys to the Commission within the time limits to be laid down according to the procedure provided for under Article 11.

4. Member States which in pursuance of Article 3 (2) do not restrict their surveys to holdings of an agricultural or 'industrial' type as defined in Article 3 (1) shall supply data relating to such holdings in the form of an estimate.
5. The results of the December survey shall be supplied in respect of each division to be defined according to the procedure provided for under Article 11.

#### Article 5

1. Where there is no provision under this Directive or under provisions of national law for a complete census, surveys shall be carried out by random sampling.
2. Sampling errors in the results of the surveys of pig population shall in no Member State exceed 3 %.
3. Member States shall take appropriate measures to estimate errors of observation.
4. Member States shall, in so far as they are able, take such measures in relation to sampling criteria as they consider appropriate to maintain the quality of the results of surveys.

#### Article 6

1. Member States shall at least every two years, starting in 1973, make a breakdown of the results of their December surveys by weight categories to be defined according to the procedure provided for under Article 11.
2. However, a Member State which obtains results broken down by weight category from some other national surveys carried out during the year of return may use such results.

#### Article 7

1. Member States shall compile monthly statistics for pig slaughterings.



Where necessary they shall every four months supply additional data, broken down by month, relating in particular to any slaughterings not covered by the monthly statistics referred to in the previous subparagraph, thereby making it possible to compare such statistics and to supplement in such a way as to cover all slaughterings.

2. The statistics referred to in paragraph 1 shall cover the number of slaughterings and the average weight of the pigs slaughtered.

Member States shall indicate in which cuts pigs were weighed.

3. Member States shall forward to the Commission the results of the statistics referred to in this Article within the time limits to be laid down according to the procedure provided for under Article 11.

#### Article 8

1. Member States shall provide forecasts of the number of pig slaughterings, broken down by two monthly periods, for the periods 1 December to 30 September, 1 April to 31 January and 1 August to 31 May.
2. The results of the forecasts referred to in paragraph 1 shall be forwarded to the Commission within the time limits to be laid down according to the procedure provided for under Article 11.

#### Article 9

The Commission shall, in consultation and permanent co-operation with the Member States examine :

- a) the results submitted in accordance with this Directive;
- b) the technical problems raised by, in particular, the preparation and conduct of the surveys and forecasts provided for in this Directive;
- c) the interpretations to be placed on the results of the surveys and forecasts provided for in this Directive.

#### Article 10

Every three years, starting in 1978, the Commission shall submit to the Council a report on the experience gained in surveying and forecasting pig production.

#### Article 11

1. Where the procedure laid down in this Article is to be followed, the matter shall be referred by its Chairman to the Standing Committee on Agricultural Statistics set up by the Council Decision of 31 July 1972, (hereinafter called the 'Committee'), either on his own initiative or at the request of a representative of a Member State.
2. The representative of the Commission shall submit to the Committee a draft of the measures to be taken. The Committee shall give its Opinion on that draft within a time limit set by the Chairman having regard to the urgency of the matter. Opinions shall be adopted by a majority of forty-one votes the votes of Member States being weighted as provided in Article 148<sup>(2)</sup> of the Treaty: The Chairman shall not vote.
3. a) Where the measures envisaged are in accordance with the Opinion of the Committee the Commission shall adopt them.  
b) Where the measures envisaged are not in accordance with the Opinion of the Committee, or where no Opinion is delivered, the Commission shall forthwith submit to the Council a proposal on the measures to be taken. The Council shall act by a qualified majority.  
o) If, within three months of the proposal being submitted to it, the Council has not acted, the proposed measures shall be adopted by the Commission.

#### Article 12

The Council Directives (68/161/EEC, 72/281/EEC and 73/359/EEC) of 27 March 1968<sup>(1)</sup> 31 July 1972<sup>(2)</sup> and 19 November 1973<sup>(3)</sup> are hereby repealed.

#### Article 13

This Directive is addressed to the Member States.

Done at .....

For the Council

(1) OJ No L 76, 29.3.1968, p. 13

(2) OJ No L 17, 22.1.72, p. 5

(3) OJ No L 326, 29.11.73, p. 19

COMMISSION DECISION  
of

laying down additional provisions concerning surveys of pig production  
to be made by Member States

THE COMMISSION OF THE EUROPEAN COMMUNITIES ,

Having regard to the Treaty establishing the European Economic  
Community;

Having regard to the Council Directive of ..... concerning  
surveys of pig production to be made by Member States, and in  
particular Articles 4(1), (3) and (5), 6(1), 7(3) and 8(2) thereof;

Whereas, to gain a better understanding of the  
regional distribution of national pig herds,  
a limited number of territorial divisions should be selected;

Whereas, because the results of the surveys may serve as a basis  
for interventions on the markets, such results should  
be forwarded to the Commission as soon as possible, in view of the fact that  
radical changes in pig numbers or in market conditions may occur over a  
relatively short period of time;

HAS ADOPTED THIS DECISION :

#### Article 1

The categories of animals referred to in Article 4(1) of the Directive of ..... are as follows :

- A. piglets of less than 20 kilogrammes live weight;
- B. pigs of not less than 20 kilogrammes but less than 50 kilogrammes live weight;
- C. pigs for fattening, including cull boars and cull sows, having a live weight of :
  - a) not less than 50 kilogrammes but less than 80 kilogrammes;
  - b) not less than 80 kilogrammes but less than 110 kilogrammes;
  - c) not less than 110 kilogrammes;
- D. breeding pigs of not less than 50 kilogrammes live weight :
  - a) boars;
  - b) sows and gilts mated:
    - b (1) of which gilts mated for the first time;
  - c) other sows:
    - c (1) of which gilts not yet mated for the first time.

#### Article 2

The time limit for forwarding the results referred to in Article 4 (3) of the Directive of ..... shall be eight weeks from the return date of the survey.

#### Article 3

"The territorial divisions referred to in Article 4(5) of the Directive of ..... shall be subdivided in the Member States as follows :

Belgium	:	provinces/provincies
Denmark	:	-
Germany	:	Regierungsbezirke
France	:	Régions de programme
Ireland	:	-
Italy	:	regioni
Luxembourg	:	-
Netherlands	:	-
United Kingdom	:	Scotland, Northern Ireland, Wales, English agricultural regions".

Article 4

The tables referred to in Article 6 of the Directive of ..... are to be found in Annex 1.

Article 5

Member States shall forward to the Commission the results of the statistics referred to in Article 7(1) of the Directive of ..... not later than six weeks after the end of the month to which they relate.

Article 6

The results of the forecasts referred to in Article 8(1) of the Directive of ..... shall be forwarded to the Commission by not later than the fifteenth day of the third month of the period covered by each forecast.

Article 7

This Directive is addressed to the Member States.

Done at Brussels, .....

For the Commission

Table 1 : Pig holders by total number of pigs

Country	Total		Holders with ..... total pigs																	
			1-2		3-9		10-19		20-49		50-99		100-199		200-399		400-999		1000 and more	
	Holders	Animals	H...	A...	H...	A...	H...	A...	H...	A...	H...	A...	H...	A...	H...	A...	H...	A...	H...	A...
	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20

Table 2 : Sow holders by number of sows of 50 kg live weight and above \*

Country	Total		Holders with ..... sows of 50 kg & above															
			1		2		3-4		5-9		10-19		20-49		50-99		100 and more	
	Holders	Animals	H...	A...	H...	A...	H...	A...	H...	A...	H...	A...	H...	A...	H...	A...	H...	A...
	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18

Table 3 : Fattening pig holders by number of fattening pigs of 50 kg live weight and above \*

Country	Total		Holders with ..... fattening pigs of 50 kg and above																	
			1-2		3-9		10-19		20-49		50-99		100-199		200-399		400-999		1000 and more	
	Holders	Animals	H...	A...	H...	A...	H...	A...	H...	A...	H...	A...	H...	A...	H...	A...	H...	A...	H...	A...
	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20

\* The Member States using sampling surveys, and for which the results of the extreme classes would not be significant, would be able to group them together.