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COMMISSION

COMMISSION DECISION
of 20 August 2004
amending for the second time Decision 2004/122/EC concerning certain protection measures in relation to avian influenza in several Asian countries
(notified under document number C(2004) 3294)

(Text with EEA relevance)

(2004/606/EC)

THE COMMISSION OF THE EUROPEAN COMMUNITIES,

Whereas:

(1) By Decision 2004/122/EC (\(^1\)) the Commission adopted protection measures in relation to avian influenza in several Asian countries, namely in Cambodia, Indonesia, Japan, Laos, Pakistan, the People’s Republic of China including the territory of Hong Kong, South Korea, Thailand and Vietnam.

(2) On 19 August 2004 Malaysia has reported an outbreak of avian influenza.

(3) Given the disease situation the measures laid down in Article 4 of Decision 2004/122/EC should apply also to Malaysia.

(4) The provisions of this Decision will be reviewed at the next meeting of the Standing Committee on the Food Chain and Animal Health;

HAS ADOPTED THIS DECISION:


Article 1
In Article 4 paragraph 1 of Decision 2004/122/EC ‘Malaysia’ is added to the list of third countries.

Article 2
The Member States shall amend the measures they apply to imports so as to bring them into compliance with this Decision and they shall give immediate appropriate publicity to the measures adopted. They shall immediately inform the Commission thereof.

Article 3
This Decision is addressed to the Member States.

Done at Brussels, 20 August 2004.

For the Commission
David BYRNE
Member of the Commission