

Animal diseases: foot-and-mouth disease (repeal. Directive 85/511/EEC and Decisions 89/531/EEC and 91/665/EEC; amend. Directive 92/46/EEC)

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The European Parliament adopted by 409 to 10 votes, with 6 abstentions, a resolution drafted by Wolfgang KREISSL-DORFLER (PES, Germany). It made several amendments to the Commission's proposal. (Please see the summary dated 29/04/03.) In addition to several new recitals, Parliament's principal amendments were as follows: - it will not be necessary to treat or stamp meat produced in the protection zone after 30 days, provided that it is confined to the domestic market; - an information programme will be put in place in the Member states to inform the public about the safety of meat, milk and dairy products from vaccinated animals for human consumption; - Member States contingency plans must be updated every three years; - cross-border movements of vaccinated zoo animals or rare breeds are allowed, subject to OIE rules; - the Commission must approve contingency plans as a matter of urgency.