Denmark: list of less-favoured farming areas within the meaning of Regulation 950/97/EC

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OBJECTIVE: to establish a list of less-favoured Danish farming areas within the meaning of Article 25 of Regulation (EC) no. 950/97. COMMUNITY MEASURE: Council Directive 98/9/EC on the list of less-favoured farming areas within the meaning of Regulation (EC) no. 950/97 (Denmark). CONTENTS: the Directive lays down the list of less-favoured Danish farming areas eligible for inclusion in the Community list of less-favoured farming areas in accordance with Regulation (EC) no. 950/97. They are areas which, in particular, meet the criteria laid down in Article 25 of Regulation (EC) no. 950/97, under which areas with specific handicaps, particularly island regions where it is necessary for farming to continue in order to preserve the countryside, may be deemed less-favoured areas. The areas selected are all islands with an area of less than 600 km2 where unfavourable natural conditions result in farm incomes which are below the national average. Thirty Danish islands satisfy the twofold requirement of remoteness and low farm incomes and are listed in the Annex to the Directive. The total surface area of these islands does not exceed 4% of the total surface area of Denmark (in fact it is around 1.1%). ENTRY INTO FORCE: the Directive will enter into force on 29 January 1998.