Aquaculture, animal health: Community financial contributions in the veterinary field for fighting against animal diseases (amend. Decision 90/424/EEC)

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PURPOSE: amendment of Decision 90/424/EEC on expenditure in the veterinary field.

PROPOSED ACT: Council Decision

CONTENT: By this proposal, the Commission envisages therefore the necessary amendments of the current procedures governing the Community's financial contribution towards veterinary measures in aquaculture animals, laid down in Council Decision 90/424/EEC, in order to take into account the proposals for a new aquatic animal health Directive and the European Fisheries Fund (see also **CNS/2005 /0153**).

The current proposal envisages the following changes to Decision 90/424/EEC:

– to allow Member States to use the budget set up under Operational Programmes according to Title III of the European Fisheries Fund for the control and eradication of certain diseases in aquaculture animals;

– to ensure that the procedures for such financial support, is in line with the current procedures applicable to financial contribution for control and eradication of terrestrial animal diseases.

For further information concerning the financial implications of this measure, please refer to the financial statement.