

FOOT-AND-MOUTH DISEASE CRISIS
CHRONOLOGY OF MAIN EVENTS AND LIST OF DECISIONS ADOPTED BY THE COMMISSION¹

Situation on 8 April 2003
DG SANCO.E2: Animal health and welfare, zootechnics

| Date | Main event | Action by the European Commission | Action by the Member States | Miscellaneous | |
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| FIRST WEEK | Tue 20/2 | The UK informs the Commission about two outbreaks of FMD in pigs within a slaughterhouse (21h30) | Commission informs other Member States (22h30). | Directive 85/511/EEC² implemented in the UK | First outbreak of FMD in the UK |
| | Wed 21/2 | Virus typing (serotype PanAsia O) | Adoption by the Commission of Decision 2001/145/EC³ applicable until 1 March 2001 (ban to move animals susceptible to FMD ⁴ and non-treated products ⁵ from the entire UK). | Tracing of FMD animals from the UK (through ANIMO) starts in other Member States (it lasts several days) | Discussion at the meeting of the Commission ⁶ See press release on FMD in the UK |
| | Fri 23/2 | | | Total standstill of FMD animals in the UK (only specifically defined movements to slaughterhouses will be authorised afterwards) | |
| | Sun 25/2 | The UK informs the Commission that a major trader of sheep is involved in the outbreak and that contacts with animals exported might have taken place. | | | Tenth outbreak reached in the UK |

¹ This document summarises basic information on the current FMD crisis. For more detailed and precise information please refer to the Decisions in the Official Journal, to the Commission's press releases and to the Animal Health Web-pages.

² This Directive includes all basic provisions to be applied in case of an outbreak of FMD. The consolidated version of this EC legislation was provided by TAIEX – VetLex.

³ Emergency Decision adopted without prior approval of the Standing Veterinary Committee.

⁴ Cattle, sheep, goats, pigs and other biungulates (including their semen and embryos).

⁵ Products from FMD animals such as meat, milk, etc, which have not been treated to destroy the virus and may therefore spread it.

⁶ PV (2001) 1512 pt. 14.4

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| SECOND WEEK | Mon 26/2 | | | | <p>Discussion at the Agriculture Council</p> <p>Discussion at the Agriculture Committee of the European Parliament</p> |
| | Tue 27/2 | Meeting of the SVC ⁷ | Opinion of the SVC on draft Decision 2001/172/EC ⁸ prolonging the ban on the dispatch of non-treated products from the UK until 9 March 2001; setting provisions for the preventive killing of sheep and goats, and the isolation of other susceptible animals dispatched from the UK between 1 and 21 February 2001. | Culling of sheep imported between 1 and 21 February 2001 from the UK starts in other Member States (it lasts several days) | <p>Discussion at the Agriculture Committee of the European Parliament</p> <p>See press release on FMD in the UK</p> |
| | Wed 28/2 | | | | <p>Speech of David Byrne at the European Parliament</p> <p>Discussion at the meeting of the Commission⁹</p> |
| | Thur 1/3 | The UK informs the Commission of an outbreak of FMD in Northern Ireland (in the Armagh County, close to the border with Ireland) | Adoption by the Commission of Decision 2001/172/EC ¹⁰ (see SVC of 27/2). | | |

⁷ Standing Veterinary Committee – It is a Regulatory Committee, chaired by the Commission, including veterinary experts from all Member States.

⁸ Replacing Decision 2001/145/EC

⁹ PV (2001) 1513 pt.25 – SEC(2001) 373

¹⁰ Replacing Decision 2001/145/EC

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| SECOND WEEK | Fri 2/3 | Belgium informs the Commission about one suspicion of FMD (23h30) | | In close co-operation with the Commission, Belgium bans all dispatch and movement of live animals and animal products from its entire territory (applicable from 3 April 2001 at 06h00) | |
| | Mon 5/3 | | | Belgium informs the Commission that all results regarding its suspicion of FMD are negative but that movement restrictions are maintained | |
| THIRD WEEK | Tue 6/3 | Meeting of the SVC | Opinion of the SVC on draft Decision 2001/190/EC ¹¹ valid until 27 March 2001, further prolonging the measures in place with respect to the UK . It also requires an EU-wide ban of markets and assembly points for all susceptible species, a standstill on the transport of all susceptible species, except for direct transport from farm to slaughterhouse and from farm to farm and disinfection of the tyres of vehicles travelling from the UK to other Member States. | | See statement of the SVC |
| | Wed 7/3 | | Adoption by the Commission of Decision 2001/190/EC ¹² (see SVC of 6/3). | | Discussion at the Meeting of the Commission ¹³ See press release on the results of the SVC |

¹¹ Amending Decision 2001/172/EC

¹² Amending Decision 2001/172/EC

¹³ PV (2001) 1514 pt. 19.2 – SEC (2001) 423

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| FOURTH WEEK | Mon 12/3 | | Food Veterinary Office (DG SANCO.F) mission (3318/2001) to the UK until 16 March 2001 (to overview FMD control procedures). | | |
| | Tue 13/3 | Meeting of the SVC France informs the Commission about an outbreak of FMD in Mayenne | Opinion of the SVC on two decisions: - draft Decision 2001/208/EC valid until 27 March 2001, banning the movement of live animals of susceptible species and their germinal products from France to other member states and to third countries, banning the transport of fresh meat and meat products, milk and milk products, hides, skins and other products of animals of the susceptible species from the 'Départements' of Mayenne and Orne to other French 'Départements', to other Member States or to third countries, with the exception of products obtained before 16 February 2001 and of products that have been subject to a treatment so that the risk of spreading the FMD virus is avoided. - draft Decision 2001/209/EC ¹⁴ valid until 27 March 2001, adding restrictions on the transport of horses from the UK: horses transported from the UK to other member States must have an animal health certificate stating that they haven't been in a protection and surveillance zone for the past 15 days prior to certification. | Directive 85/511/EEC ¹⁵ implemented in France - Further slaughtering of suspected animals in many French Departments | See press release on FMD in France See press release on the results of the SVC |
| | Wed 14/3 | | Adoption by the European Commission of Decision 2001/208/EC (see SVC of 13/3). | | Speech of David Byrne at the European Parliament See press release on export embargo by third countries |
| | Thur 15/3 | | Adoption by the European Commission of Decision 2001/209/EC ¹⁶ (see SVC of 13/3). | | |

¹⁴ Amending for the second time Decision 2001/172/EC

¹⁵ The consolidated version of this EC legislation was provided by TAIEX – VetLex.

¹⁶ Amending for the second time Decision 2001/172/EC

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| FIFTH WEEK | Mon 19/3 | | | | Discussion at the Agriculture Council |
| | Tue 20/3 | Meeting of the SVC | Opinion of the SVC on two decisions: - draft Decision 2001/239/EC ¹⁷ , prolonging the measures with respect to the UK until 4 April 2001, allowing the transport of susceptible animals, provided that: the animals are transported directly from the farm to the slaughterhouse, or through an approved assembly centre for immediate slaughter; the places of departure and destination are authorised; the animals are brought to another authorised holding; that during transport, animals do not come into contact with animals from another holding, unless they are transported for slaughter. - draft Decision 2001/240/EC ¹⁸ , prolonging the measures in France until 4 April 2001, allowing the transportation from the 'Départements' of Mayenne and Orne of fresh meat to meat-processing plants in other parts of France under strict veterinary supervision for the appropriate treatment aimed at killing the FMD virus. In addition, provided no new case of FMD appears in France by 28 March 2001, it was decided to apply as of that date the restrictions (dispatch of live animals) only to Mayenne and Orne. | | |
| | Wed 21/3 | The Netherlands inform the Commission about three outbreaks of FMD around Oene Meeting of the SVC | Opinion of the SVC and adoption by the European Commission of Decision 2001/223/EC , valid until 4 April 2001, on The Netherlands, banning the movement of live animals of susceptible species and their germinal products from The Netherlands to other Member States and to third countries; banning the transport of fresh meat and meat products, milk and milk products, hides, skins and other products of animals of the susceptible species from the provinces of Gelderland, Overijssel, Flevoland and Noord-Brabant to other Dutch provinces, to other Member States or to third countries, with the exception of products obtained before 20 February 2001 and of products that have been subject to a treatment so that the risk of spreading the foot-and-mouth disease virus is avoided. | Directive 85/511/EC ¹⁹ implemented in The Netherlands – Culling of all animals within a perimeter of 1km around the outbreaks and suspected cases in The Netherlands | Discussion at the Agriculture Committee of the European Parliament Discussion at the General Session of the E.U.F.M.D. (until 23 March 2001) See press-release on FMD in The Netherlands See press release on the results of the SVC |

¹⁷ Amending for the third time Decision 2001/172/EC

¹⁸ Amending Decision 2001/208/EC

¹⁹ The consolidated version of this EC legislation was provided by TAIEX – VetLex.

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| FIFTH WEEK | Thur 22/3 | <p>Ireland informs the Commission about a unique outbreak of FMD (close to the border with Northern Ireland)</p> <p>The Netherlands inform the Commission that they request suppressive vaccination</p> | Adoption by the European Commission of Decision 2001/234/EC ²⁰ , valid until 4 April 2001, with respect to Ireland, banning the movement of live animals of susceptible species and their germinal products from Ireland to other Member States and to third countries; banning the transport of fresh meat and meat products, milk and milk products, hides, skins and other products of animals of the susceptible species from the County of Louth to other Irish provinces, to other Member States or to third countries, with the exception of products obtained before 20 February 2001 and of products that have been subject to a treatment so that the risk of spreading the FMD virus is avoided. | Directive 85/511/EC ²¹ implemented in Ireland – culling of all FMD animals in the affected area in Ireland | See press release on FMD in Ireland |
| | Fri 23/3 | Meeting of the SVC (to discuss suppressive vaccination in The Netherlands) | Opinion of the SVC on draft Decision 2001/246/EC ²² to allow suppressive vaccination in The Netherlands around confirmed outbreaks (2 km) while awaiting slaughtering and destruction ²³ . | | <p>Discussion at the European Council, Stockholm</p> <p>500th outbreak of FMD reached in the UK</p> <p>Commitment by the Members States not to re-introduce vaccination (see press release)</p> |
| | Fri 23/3 late p.m. | France informs the Commission about a second and last outbreak of FMD (at 19h30, close to Paris) | | | After coordination with Commission services, France bans the dispatch of live animals and animal products from its entire mainland (at 23h00) |

²⁰ Emergency Decision adopted without prior approval of the SVC.

²¹ The consolidated version of this EC legislation was provided by TAIEX – VetLex.

²² In application of Article 13 of Directive 85/511/EEC. The consolidated version of this EC legislation was provided by TAIEX – VetLex.

²³ Vaccinated animals shall be slaughtered and destroyed without undue delay.

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| SIXTH WEEK | Mon 26/3 | <p>Meeting of laboratory experts on FMD diagnosis in sheep</p> <p>The Netherlands inform the Commission about two new outbreaks of FMD (around Oene)</p> | <p>Adoption by the European Commission of two decisions:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Decision 2001/239/EC²⁴ (see SVC of 20/3). - Decision 2001/240/EC²⁵ (See SVC of 20/3). | <p>After confirmation of two further outbreaks, suppressive vaccination is started in The Netherlands</p> | <p>Discussion at the Agriculture Committee of the European Parliament</p> <p>See statement of the SVC on chocolate, biscuits and fine bakery wares</p> |
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²⁴ Amending for the third time Decision 2001/172/EC

²⁵ Amending Decision 2001/208/EC

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| SIXTH WEEK | Tue 27/3 | <p>Meeting of the SVC</p> <p>The UK informs the Commission about a request for protective vaccination</p> | <p>Opinion of the SVC on five Decisions – prolonging the measures in place:</p> <p>a) in France, draft Decision 2001/250/EC²⁶ valid until 12 April 2001, in response to the new outbreak of FMD as notified on 23 March 2001. The dispatch from France of live animals of susceptible species, of non-treated meat, meat products, milk, milk products, semen embryos and ovae is prohibited. Also, provided no new outbreak is notified as of 2 April 2001, and provided the epidemiological surveys carried out conclude that no virus is circulating in suspected holdings and in the protection and surveillance zones in place, the Commission will decide to revise the above measures to the effect that they will be restricted to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - a prohibition of movements of live susceptible animals from the “Départements” of Seine et Marne, Seine-Saint-Denis and Val D’oise; - a prohibition of trade movements of live susceptible animals from the rest of France; - a prohibition of the dispatch from Seine et Marne, Seine-Saint-Denis of meat, meat products, milk, milk products, semen embryos and ovae, with the exception of products obtained before 16 February 2001 and of products which have been subjected to a treatment. <p>b) in Ireland, draft Decision 2001/267/EC²⁷ prolonging the restrictions for Ireland until 19 April 2001.</p> <p>c) in The Netherlands, draft Decision 2001/262/EC²⁸ prolonging the restrictions for The Netherlands until 6 April 2001.</p> <p>d) in the UK, draft Decision 2001/268/EC²⁹, further prolonging the protective measures in place with respect to outbreaks in the UK until 19 April 2001 and lifting the ban on the dispatch of meat, meat products, milk, milk products, semen, embryos and ovae originating from susceptible species from Northern Ireland, while leaving it in place for the Newry and Mourne districts of Northern Ireland’s Armagh County where a FMD case was detected late February. All exports of live animals from Northern Ireland remain prohibited.</p> <p>e) draft Decision 2001/263/EC³⁰, valid until 12 April 2001, further clarifying the rules restricting the movement of live animals in all Member States other than the UK. In case of the trade of live animals, notification of the authorities of destination by the authorities of dispatch has to be given at least 24 hours before the transport takes place. In case live animals are brought from farm to farm, or from farm to slaughterhouse via an assembly centre, the animals must have resided in the holding of dispatch within the previous 30 days. Animals brought from a farm to a slaughterhouse need not fulfil this requirement.</p> <p>Adoption by the European Commission of Decision 2001/246/EC³¹, (see SVC of 23/3).</p> | <p>Massive culling of sheep begins in Cumbria (UK)</p> | <p>See press release on the results of the SVC</p> |
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²⁶ Amending for the second time Decision 2001/208/CE

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| SIXTH WEEK | Wed 28/3 | Meeting of the SVC (to discuss protective vaccination in the UK) | Opinion on draft Decision 2001/257/EC ³² allowing the UK to perform protective vaccination in Devon and Cumbria, in an area defined by the British authorities, prohibiting for a period of at least one year following the last outbreak of FMD the movement of vaccinated cattle from this area to other parts of the UK and to other Member States, allowing the use of meat and milk of vaccinated animals provided they have been treated to destroy the FMD virus (pasteurisation of milk and maturation of meat) and prolonging the trade restrictions applicable to live animals and derived non-treated products in Great Britain. | | Discussion at the Meeting of the Commission ³³ (see press release) |
| | Thur 29/3 | | Adoption by the European Commission of Decision 2001/250/EC ³⁴ (see SVC of 27/3). | | Week of the highest level of FMD in Great Britain |
| | Fri 30/3 | Meeting of experts on zoo animals (to discuss) vaccination of endangered species) The Netherlands inform the Commission about a request for protective vaccination | Adoption by the European Commission of two decisions: - Decision 2001/257/EC ³⁵ (See SVC of 28/3). - Decision 2001/300/EC on Community co-operation with the Food and Agriculture Organisation, fixing the Community contribution to the trust fund aimed at emergency measures to be carried out against FMD at a maximum level of EUR 1 800 000 for a period of four years. | | Discussion at the Council's Chief Veterinary Officers working group Press release of the Commission on the vaccination of zoo animals |

²⁷ Amending Decision 2001/234/EC

²⁸ Amending Decision 2001/223/EC

²⁹ Amending for the fourth time Decision 2001/172/EC

³⁰ Amending for the fifth time Decision 2001/172/EC

³¹ In application of Article 13 of Directive 85/511/EEC. The consolidated version of this EC legislation was provided by TAIEX – VetLex.

³² In application of Article 13 of Directive 85/511/EEC. The consolidated version of this EC legislation was provided by TAIEX – VetLex.

³³ PV (2001) 1517 pt. 14 – SEC (2001) 541

³⁴ Amending for the second time Decision 2001/208/CE

³⁵ In application of Article 13 of Directive 85/511/EEC. The consolidated version of this EC legislation was provided by TAIEX – VetLex.

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| SEVENTH WEEK | Mon 2/4 | <p>France informs the Commission that no new outbreaks are reported (17h00)</p> | <p>Adoption by the European Commission of two decisions:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Decision 2001/262/EC³⁶ (see SVC of 27/3). - Decision 2001/263/EC³⁷, (see SVC of 27/3). <p>Food Veterinary Office (DG SANCO.F) mission to France (3323/2001) and The Netherlands (3324/2001) until 6 April 2001 (to overview FMD control procedures).</p> | | |
| | Tue 3/4 | <p>Meeting of the SVC</p> | <p>Adoption by the European Commission of two decisions:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Decision 2001/267/EC³⁸ (see SVC of 27/3). - Decision 2001/268/EC³⁹ (see SVC of 27/3). <p>As no new outbreaks are reported in France, the European Commission (without advice from the SVC and in accordance with Decision 2001/250/EC) adopts Decision 2001/269/EC⁴⁰ lifting the ban on the dispatch of meat, meat products, milk, milk products, semen, embryos and ovae of susceptible species outside of Seine-et-Marne, Seine-Saint-Denis and Val d'Oise. The ban on the dispatch of live animals from France as a whole remains in place until 12 April 2001.</p> <p>Opinion of the SVC on protective vaccination in the region of Oene, in The Netherlands; draft Decision 2001/279/EC⁴¹, allowing The Netherlands to perform emergency protective vaccination (in addition to suppressive vaccination) in that region, in an area defined by the Dutch authorities, prohibiting for a period of at least one year after the last outbreak of FMD the movement of vaccinated cattle from this area to other parts of The Netherlands and to other Member States (without prejudice to Decision 2001/282/EC) and allowing the use of meat and milk of vaccinated animals provided they have been treated to destroy the FMD virus (pasteurisation of milk and maturation of meat).</p> | | <p>Speech of David Byrne at the European Parliament</p> <p>See press release on the results of the SVC</p> |

³⁶ Amending Decision 2001/223/EC

³⁷ Amending for the fifth time Decision 2001/172/EC

³⁸ Amending Decision 2001/234/EC

³⁹ Amending for the fourth time Decision 2001/172/EC

⁴⁰ Amending for the third time Decision 2001/208/CE

⁴¹ Amending Decision 2001/246/EC and applying Article 13 of Directive 85/511/EEC. The consolidated version of this EC legislation was provided by TAIEX – VetLex

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| SEVENTH WEEK | Wed 4/4 | Meeting of the SVC | <p>Opinion of the SVC on five Decisions:</p> <p>a) in GB, measures are prolonged until 18 May 2001, but if no outbreaks are reported in Northern Ireland by 19 April 2001, Northern-Ireland will be released, draft Decision 2001/316/EC⁴². As a new case of FMD was confirmed in Northern Ireland on 13 April 2001, these latter provision have not entered into force.</p> <p>b) draft Decision 2001/302/EC⁴³, prolonging movement restrictions of live animals in the EU until 18 May 2001.</p> <p>c) draft Decision 2001/282/EC⁴⁴ on The Netherlands, prolonging the measures in place until 25 April 2001 with respect to the provinces of Gelderland, Overijssel, Flevoland and part of Noord-Brabant, authorising the dispatch of non-pasteurised milk for pasteurisation from the areas under restriction under strict sanitary control (in cleansed and disinfected vehicles, storage and processing facilities) and exempting the province of Noord-Brabant from the protective measures, except for the areas of Sprang-Capelle and Maren-Kessel en Berghem where suspicion of FMD are under examination.</p> <p>d) draft Decision 2001/295/EC⁴⁵ on the rules for the releasing of the restrictions imposed in the FMD protection and surveillance zones in Northern Ireland and the affected Member States, except the United Kingdom, provided that surveys in all the holdings with animals of susceptible species within protection and surveillance zones have shown negative results (based on the clinical examination of cattle, pigs, sheep and goats, and under certain conditions sampling from sheep).</p> <p>e) draft Decision 2001/303/EC⁴⁶ requiring strict precautionary measures in zoos, such as closure of animal houses of the susceptible species to the public, prevention of contact and feeding of these animals by the public, disinfection controls at the entrance, etc and allowing the emergency vaccination of endangered species in zoos, as listed on the red list laid down by the international Union for the Conservation of Nature. Vaccination is only permitted when an outbreak of FMD has been confirmed within 25 kilometres of a zoo. Competent authorities may extend this vaccination to other animals such as extremely rare breeds or animals used for irreplaceable and important research work. Such animals may not be traded between member states or enter the human food chain.</p> <p>The SVC agrees that in Ireland, measures will last until 19 April 2001 if no new outbreaks are reported, and in France until 12 April.</p> <p>Food Veterinary Office (DG SANCO.F) mission to The Netherlands to overview the implementation of the vaccination programme (until 7 April 2001).</p> | | <p>See statement of the Commission at the SVC on milk and milk products</p> <p>See press release on the results of the SVC</p> <p>1000th outbreak of FMD reached in the UK</p> |
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| SEVENTH WEEK | Thur 5/4 | | Adoption by the European Commission of Decision 2001/279/EC ⁴⁷ (See SVC of 3/4). | | |
| | Thur 5/4 | Resolution of the Committee of the Regions on 'Tackling FMD' (see 3/05/02) | | | |
| | Fri 6/4 | | Adoption by the European Commission of Decision 2001/282/EC ⁴⁸ (See SVC of 4/4). | | |

⁴² Amending for the sixth time Decision 2001/172/EC

⁴³ Amending Decision 2001/263/EC

⁴⁴ Amending for the second time Decision 2001/223/EC

⁴⁵ Applied in accordance with Article 9 of Council Directive 85/511/EEC. The consolidated version of this EC legislation was provided by TAIEX – VetLex

⁴⁶ Applied in accordance with Article 13 of Council Directive 85/511/EEC. The consolidated version of this EC legislation was provided by TAIEX – VetLex

⁴⁷ Amending Decision 2001/246/EC and applying Article 13 of Directive 85/511/EEC. The consolidated version of this EC legislation was provided by TAIEX – VetLex

⁴⁸ Amending for the second time Decision 2001/223/EC

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| EIGHTH WEEK | Tue 10/4 | Meeting of the SVC | <p>Opinion of the SVC on four Decisions:</p> <p>a) draft Decision 2001/304/EC⁴⁹, requiring that, in Great Britain, meat produced from species susceptible to FMD be clearly marked with a specific red and round 'GB' stamp which cannot be confused with the community stamp.</p> <p>b) draft Decision 2001/305/EC⁵⁰, requiring that, in the restricted part of The Netherlands, meat produced from species susceptible to FMD be clearly marked with a specific red and round 'NL' stamp which cannot be confused with the community stamp.</p> <p>c) allowing for NL-stamped meat to be dispatched in The Netherlands, draft Decision⁵¹.</p> <p>d) draft Decision 2001/317/EC⁵², allowing sheep and goats to be dispatched through an approved assembly centre to one holding of destination for fattening; allowing pigs and cows to be dispatched through an approved assembly centre to a maximum of six holdings of destination for fattening and allowing groups of herds or flocks to be dispatched to an assembly point for transhumance to designated pastures.</p> <p>Adoption by the Commission of Decision 2001/295/EC⁵³ (See SVC of 4/4).</p> | | <p>Discussion at the informal Agriculture Council, in Östersund, Sweden</p> <p>Speech of David Byrne in Östersund</p> |
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⁴⁹ In relation to Decision 2001/172/EC

⁵⁰ In relation to Decision 2001/223/EC

⁵¹ Following the outbreak notified on 11 April 2001 in Friesland, this draft Decision was not adopted by the Commission. In view of this new situation, Decision 2001/306/EC was adopted.

⁵² Amending for the second time Decision 2001/263/EC

⁵³ Applied in accordance with Article 9 of Council Directive 85/511/EEC. The consolidated version of this EC legislation was provided by TAIEX – VetLex

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| EIGHTH WEEK | Wed 11/4 | The Netherlands inform the Commission about a new outbreak of FMD in Friesland | Adoption by the Commission: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Decision 2001/304/EC⁵⁴ (See SVC of 10/4). - Decision 2001/305/EC⁵⁵ (See SVC of 10/4). - Decision 2001/302/EC⁵⁶, (See SVC of 4/4). - Decision 2001/303/EC⁵⁷ (See SVC of 4/4). <p>Following the outbreak of FMD in Ee, in the Province of Friesland, the Commission (without advice from the SVC) adopted further protection measures in The Netherlands, Decision 2001/306/EC⁵⁸ applicable until 4 May 2001, banning the dispatch of live animals of susceptible species and their germinal products, fresh meat and meat products, milk and milk products, hides, skins and other products of susceptible species from the entire territory of The Netherlands.</p> | | Discussion at the Meeting of the Commission ⁵⁹ (see press release) |
| | Thur 12/4 | | | Germany presents to the Commission a vaccination plan for part of Nordrhein Westphalien | |
| | Fri 13/4 | The UK informs the Commission about a second outbreak of FMD in Northern Ireland (19h30) | The measures laid down in Decision 2001/208/CE (as last amended by Decision 2001/269/EC) for France are not applicable anymore. | After co-ordination with Commission services, the UK bans dispatch of live animals and FMD products from Northern Ireland | |
| | Sun 15/4 | The UK informs the Commission about a third outbreak of FMD in Northern Ireland | | | |

⁵⁴ In relation to Decision 2001/172/EC

⁵⁵ In relation to Decision 2001/223/EC

⁵⁶ Amending Decision 2001/263/EC

⁵⁷ Applied in accordance with Article 13 of Council Directive 85/511/EEC. The consolidated version of this EC legislation was provided by TAIEX – VetLex

⁵⁸ Amending for the third time Decision 2001/223/EC

⁵⁹ PV (2001) 1519 pt 14.3 – SEC(2001) 627

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| NINTH WEEK | Tue 17/4 | | Adoption by the Commission of Decision 2001/316/EC ⁶⁰ on the prolongation of measures in GB until 18 May 2001, and on the releasing of Northern Ireland provided no outbreak is reported by 19 April 2001. As a new case of FMD was confirmed in Northern Ireland on 13 April 2001, these latter provisions have not entered into force. | | Discussion at the meeting of the O.I.E. in Paris (and 18 April 2001) |
| | Wed 18/4 | Meeting of the SVC | <p>Opinion of the SVC on four decisions:</p> <p>a) draft Decision 2001/318/EC⁶¹, on the situation in Northern Ireland, extending to the entire UK the protective measures in place until 18 May 2001 (i.e. a total ban on exports of susceptible live animals, untreated meats and products)</p> <p>b) draft Decision 2001/324/EC⁶², in the absence of new outbreaks of FMD outside existing protection and surveillance zones in The Netherlands by 23 April 2001, allowing NL-stamped meat originating from the restricted parts of The Netherlands and processed in approved cutting plants, to be dispatched in The Netherlands only; releasing from the measures the parts of the country situated South and West of the river Rijn-Waal-Merwede, and West of the A27 Highway; and prolonging the preventive measures put in place in The Netherlands until 10 May 2001.</p> <p>c) draft Decision 2001/326/EC⁶³ adapting protective vaccination zones in the counties of Cumbria, Devon, Cornwall, Somerset and Dorset in the UK.</p> <p>d) draft Decision 2001/327/EC on the consolidation and repealing of Decision 2001/263/EC, concerning the movement of animals; the rules presented in Decisions 2001/263/EC, 2001/302/EC and 2001/317/EC remain, except for the case when live animals are dispatched from farm to farm, or from farm to slaughterhouse via an assembly centre. In such a case, the animals must have resided in the holding of dispatch for at least the previous 20 days, and no movement of susceptible animals must have taken place into the holding of dispatch within the previous 20 days (instead of 30 days in Decision 2001/317/EC), or within the previous 10 days in the case of pigs (instead of 15 days).</p> <p>Adoption by the Commission of 2 Decisions:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Decision 2001/318/EC⁶⁴ (See SVC of 18/4). - Decision 2001/317/EC⁶⁵ (See SVC of 10/4). | | <p>Mr. Byrne visits The Netherlands with Mr.s Brinkhorst and Ms Winberg.</p> <p>See press release on the results of the SVC</p> |

⁶⁰ Amending for the sixth time Decision 2001/172/EC

⁶¹ Amending for the seventh time Decision 2001/172/EC

⁶² Amending for the fourth time Decision 2001/223/EC

⁶³ Amending Decision 2001/257/EC

⁶⁴ Amending for the seventh time Decision 2001/172/EC

⁶⁵ Amending for the second time Decision 2001/263/EC

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| NINTH WEEK | Thur 19/4 | | | Germany informs the Commission about its decision to suspend its vaccination plan for part of Nordrhein Westphalia | |
| | Fri 20/4 | | The measures laid down in Decision 2001/234/EC (last amended by Decision 2001/267/EC) for Ireland are not applicable anymore. | | |
| | Sun 22/4 | | | Fourth and last outbreak of FMD in Northern Ireland 26 th and last outbreak of FMD in The Netherlands | |
| TENTH WEEK | Mon 23/4 | | Adoption by the Commission of Decision 2001/324/EC ⁶⁶ (See SVC of 18/4). Food Veterinary Office (DG SANCO.F) (3328/2001) mission to the UK (Great Britain) until 27 April 2001. To review progress with FMD situation and implementation of disease controls. | The UK starts to apply Decision 2001/304/EC | |
| | Tue 24/4 | | Adoption by the Commission of : - Decision 2001/326/EC ⁶⁷ (See SVC of 18/4). - Decision 2001/327/EC ⁶⁸ (See SVC of 18/4). | | Discussion at the Agriculture Council, in Luxembourg |
| | Wed 25/4 | Meeting of the SVC | Opinion of the SVC on three decisions: - draft Decision 2001/349/EC ⁶⁹ on the movement of animals. - draft Decision 2001/345/EC ⁷⁰ on the marking and use of certain animal products, making provisions for meat imported into the United Kingdom and processed within Great Britain to be marked in the same way as meat produced locally. - draft Decision 2001/356/EC on FMD in the UK, replacing and amending Decision 2001/172/EC. | | Information at the Agriculture Committee of the European Parliament |
| | Sat 28/4 | | | | 1500 th outbreak of FMD reached in the UK |

⁶⁶ Amending for the fourth time Decision 2001/223/EC

⁶⁷ Amending Decision 2001/257/EC

⁶⁸ Consolidating and repealing Decision 2001/263/EC

⁶⁹ Amending Decision 2001/327/EC

⁷⁰ Amending Decision 2001/304/EC

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| ELEVENTH WEEK | Mon 30/4 | | Food Veterinary Office (DG SANCO.F) mission (3331/2001) to the UK (Northern Ireland) until 4 May 2001. | | |
| | Wed 2/5 | | Adoption by the Commission of Decision 2001/345/EC (See SVC of 25/4). | | |
| | Thur 3/5 | | Adoption by the Commission of Decision 2001/349/EC (See SVC of 25/4). | | |
| | Fri 4/5 | | Adoption by the Commission of Decision 2001/356/EC (See SVC of 25/4). | | |
| TWELFTH WEEK | Tue 8/5 | Meeting of the SVC | Opinion of the SVC on three decisions: - draft Decision 2001/378/EC ⁷¹ on the movement of animals, relaxing measures in relation to the dispatch of bovine and porcine animals. - draft Decision 2001/372/EC ⁷² on FMD in the UK, prolonging the measures until 19 June 2001. - draft Decision 2001/364/EC ⁷³ on FMD in The Netherlands , allowing the dispatch, as from 15 May 2001, of live pigs for slaughter from the areas situated south of the river Rijn-Waal-Mermede, with authorisation of the Member State of destination and allowing the dispatch of fresh products from the Netherlands, except from the protection and surveillance zones. | | Press release on the results of the SVC |
| | Thur 10/5 | | Adoption by the Commission of Decision 2001/364/EC on FMD in The Netherlands (See SVC of 8/5). | | |
| | Fri 11/5 | | Adoption by the Commission of Decision 2001/372/EC on FMD in the UK (See SVC of 8/5). | | |

⁷¹ Amending for the second time Decision 2001/327/EC

⁷² Amending Decision 2001/356/EC

⁷³ Amending for the fifth time Decision 2001/223/EC

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| THIRTEENTH WEEK | Mon 14/5 | | Adoption by the Commission of Decision 2001/378/EC on the movement of animals (see SVC of 8/5). Food Veterinary Office (DG SANCO.F) mission to Ireland (3333/2001) until 18 May 2001. Completion of report on mission 3318/2001 to the UK. | | |
| | Tue 15/5 | Meeting of the SVC | Opinion of the SVC on two decisions: - draft Decision 2001/389/EC ⁷⁴ on FMD in The Netherlands , allowing the movement of bovine and porcine animals from farms in the area south of the river Rijn-Waal-Merwede and west of the highway A-27, directly to a slaughterhouse in another Member State. - draft Decision 2001/394/EC ⁷⁵ further relaxing restrictions on the movement of live bovine and porcine animals. | | Discussion at the Meeting of the Commission Press release on the results of the SVC |
| | Fri 18/5 | | Adoption by the Commission of Decision 2001/389/EC on FMD in The Netherlands (See SVC of 15/5). | | |
| FOURTEENTH WEEK | Mon 21/5 | | Adoption by the Commission of Decision 2001/394/EC on the movement of animals (See SVC of 15/5). | | |
| | Tue 22/5 | | | | Discussion at the Agriculture Council |
| | Wed 23/5 | Meeting of the SVC | Opinion of the SVC on three decisions: - draft Decision 2001/415/EC ⁷⁶ on FMD in the UK , relaxing restrictions on the dispatch of horses to other Member States. - draft Decision 2001/408/EC ⁷⁷ on FMD in The Netherlands, prolonging the measures until 29 June 2001, further relaxing the restrictions on the trade of meat, semen, embryos and live animals on a greater part of the Dutch territory. - draft Decision 2001/416/EC ⁷⁸ prolonging the measures until 29 June 2001, and allowing the movement of animals through staging points under certain conditions. | | See short report of the meeting. |
| | Fri 25/5 | | | Last vaccinated animal slaughtered in The Netherlands | |

⁷⁴ Amending for the sixth time Decision 2001/223/EC

⁷⁵ Amending for the third time Decision 2001/327/EC

⁷⁶ Amending for the second time Decision 2001/356/EC

⁷⁷ Amending for the seventh time Decision 2001/223/EC

⁷⁸ Amending for the fourth time Decision 2001/327/EC

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| FOURTEENTH WEEK | Sun 27/5 | | | | Discussion at the meeting of the O.I.E. in Paris (until 1 June 2001) |
| | Tue 29/5 | | Adoption by the Commission of Decision 2001/408/EC on FMD in The Netherlands (See SVC of 23/5). | | Information at the Agriculture Committee of the European Parliament |
| FIFTEENTH WEEK | Fri 1/6 | | Adoption by the Commission of Decision 2001/416/EC on the movement of animals (See SVC of 23/5). Adoption by the Commission of Decision 2001/415/EC on FMD in the UK (See SVC of 23/5). | | |
| | Tue 5/6 | Meeting of the SVC | Opinion of the SVC on three decisions: - Draft Decision 2001/430/EC ⁷⁹ on FMD in the UK, releasing Northern Ireland and the Isle of Man, and prolonging the measures until 20 July 2001. - Draft Decision 2001/426/EC ⁸⁰ on FMD in The Netherlands, further relaxing the measures on the dispatch of live bovine and porcine animals and milk, refining surveillance zones around Kootwijkerbroek and Oene, and prolonging the measures until 25 June 2001. - Draft Decision 2001/437/EC ⁸¹ on FMD in the UK, redefining restrictions on the export of semen. | | See press release on the results of the SVC and a short report of the meeting. |
| SIXTEENTH WEEK | Wed 6/6 | | Adoption by the Commission of Decision 2001/426/EC on The Netherlands (See SVC of 5/6). | | |
| | Thur 7/6 | | Adoption by the Commission of Decision 2001/430/EC on the UK (See SVC of 5/6). | | |
| | Fri 8/6 | | Adoption by the Commission of Decision 2001/437/EC on the UK (See SVC of 5/6). | | |

⁷⁹ Amending for the third time Decision 2001/356/EC

⁸⁰ Amending for the eighth time Decision 2001/223/EC

⁸¹ Amending for the fourth time Decision 2001/356/EC

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| SEVENTEENTH WEEK | Mon 11/6 | | Completion of mission report 3324/2001 to the Netherlands. | | |
| | Tue 12/6 | Meeting of the SVC | Opinion of the SVC on two decisions: Draft Decision 2001/456/EC ⁸² on The Netherlands , valid until 25 June 2001, lifting the protection and surveillance zone around Kootwijkerbroek and allowing the transport to other member States of live cattle and pigs for breeding, rearing and slaughter from farms situated outside the surveillance zone around Oene. - Draft Decision 2001/488/EC ⁸³ on the movement of animals, stating rules for the intra-community trade of sheep and goats. | | See press release on the lifting of restrictions in The Netherlands and a short report of the meeting. |
| | Wed 13/6 | | Adoption by the Commission of Decision 2001/456/EC on The Netherlands (See SVC of 12/6). | | |
| | Fri 15/6 | | Completion of mission report 3323/2001 to France. | | |
| EIGHTEENTH WEEK | Wed 20/6 | | | | Speech of David Byrne and discussion at the Agriculture Council, in Luxembourg Information at the Agriculture Committee of the European Parliament (on the situation with third countries) |
| | Thur 21/6 | | Completion of mission report 3328/2001 to the UK. | | |

⁸² Amending for the ninth time Decision 2001/223/EC

⁸³ Amending for the fifth time Decision 2001/327/EC

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| EIGHTEENTH WEEK | Fri 22/6 | Meeting of the SVC | Opinion of the SVC on draft Decision 2001/518/EC ⁸⁴ , with regard to the, ensuring the traceability and rules to be followed for the dispatch of meat and meat products. In accordance with Article 2.1.1.6. of the International Animal Health Code (three months have elapsed since the last case of FMD was confirmed), Ireland and France regain their status as FMD free countries where vaccination is not practised. Completion of mission report 3331/2001 to the UK. | | See short report of the meeting |
| | Wed 26/6 | | The measures laid down in Decision 2001/223/EC (last amended by Decision 2001/456/EC) for The Netherlands are not applicable anymore. | | |
| NINETEENTH WEEK | Fri 28/6 | | Adoption by the Commission of Decision 2001/488/EC on the movement of animals (See SVC of 12/6). Final report of FVO mission to UK (3318/2001) published on SANCO website | | 28 – 29 June. EU workshop, Netherlands: “Persistence of foot-and-mouth disease virus and the risk of carrier animals”. |
| | Wed 4/7 | | Final report of FVO mission to France (3323/2001) published on SANCO website | | |
| TWENTIETH WEEK | Fri 6/7 | | Adoption by the Commission of Decision 2001/518/EC on FMD in the UK (See SVC of 22/6). | | |

⁸⁴ Amending for the fifth time Decision 2001/356/EC

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| TWENTY-FIRST WEEK | Tue. 10/7 | | Final report of FVO mission to UK (3328/2001) published on SANCO website Final report of FVO mission to UK (3331/2001) published on SANCO website | | |
| | Wed 11/7 | Meeting of the SVC | Opinion of the SVC on draft Decision 2001/547/EC ⁸⁵ prolonging the measures in place in the UK until 30 September 2001. Opinion of the SVC on draft Decisions 2001/652/EC , 2001/653/EC , 2001/654/EC and 2001/646/EC concerning a financial contribution towards the eradication of foot-and-mouth disease in the Netherlands, France, the United Kingdom and Ireland. | | See press release on the results of the SVC and a short report . |
| | Thur 12/7 | Considering the OIE rules in force, the European Court of Justice upheld the general EU ban on preventive vaccination (Article 13 of Directive 85/511) and the option for limited vaccination under certain conditions. | | | Judgement of the Court of Justice in the case Jippes (NL) on welfare and vaccination |
| TWENTY-SECOND WEEK | Wed 18/7 | | Adoption by the Commission of Decision 2001/547/EC on FMD in the UK (See SVC of 11/7). | | |
| | Thur. 19/7 | | Final report of FVO mission to the Netherlands (3324/2001) published on SANCO website | | |

⁸⁵ Amending for the sixth time Decision 2001/356/EC

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| TWENTY-THIRD WEEK | Mon 23/7 | | | | Meeting of Agriculture Council. UK presented a report to Member States. See press release . |
| | Tue 24/7 | Meeting of the SVC | The UK delegation provided an update on the disease situation. SVC discussed the possible conditions under which exports of certain meat could be resumed from discrete areas in Great Britain. | | See short report of the meeting. |
| TWENTY-FIFTH WEEK | Thur 9/8 | | | | Meeting of the SVC: FMD not discussed |
| TWENTY-SIXTH WEEK | Tue 14/8 | | Adoption by the Commission of Decision 2001/646/EC concerning a financial contribution towards the eradication of foot-and-mouth disease in Ireland. The decision authorises advance payment of 2.7 meuro to Ireland to reimburse Ireland for compensation paid to farmers for animals slaughtered. | | |
| | Thur 16/8 | | Adoption by the Commission of Decisions 2001/652/EC , 2001/653/EC , and 2001/654/EC concerning a financial contribution towards the eradication of foot-and-mouth disease in the Netherlands, France, and the United Kingdom, respectively. These decisions authorise advance payments of 355 meuro to the United Kingdom, 39 meuro to the Netherlands, and 3.3 meuro to France. These advance payments reimburse Member States for compensation paid to farmers for animals slaughtered. | | See press release . |

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| TWENTY-SEVENTH | Mon 20/8 | | Food Veterinary Office (DG SANCO.F) (3439/2001) mission to the UK (Great Britain) until 24 August 2001. To review progress with FMD situation, and implementation of disease controls. | | |
| | Mon 3/9 | | | | 2000 th case of FMD in the UK |
| TWENTY-NINTH WEEK | Thur 6/9 | | | | Urgency debate in the European Parliament (Strasbourg). Parliament adopts a resolution . |
| | Fri 7/9 | | Final report of FVO mission to Ireland (3333/2001) published on SANCO website | | |
| THIRTIETH WEEK | Tue/ Wed 11-12/ 9 | Meeting of the SVC | Opinion of the SVC on draft Decisions 2001/709/EC ⁸⁶ and 2001/708/EC ⁸⁷ prolonging the movement restrictions on FMD-susceptible species in the EU until 31 December and prolonging the measures in place in the United Kingdom until 30 November 2001. A derogation for frozen bovine semen was introduced allowing semen produced after 30 September 2001 to be exported from the UK. | | See press release of the results of the SVC and a short report . |
| | Wed – Fri 12-14 | | | | E.U.F.M.D. research group meeting in Denmark to discuss FMD testing and FMD vaccines. |

⁸⁶ amending for the sixth time Decision 2001/327/EC

⁸⁷ amending for the seventh time Decision 2001/356/EC

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| THIRTY-FIRST WEEK | Tue 18/9 | | | | Discussion at a joint Agriculture and Environment Committee of the European Parliament. |
| | Wed 19/9 | OIE declares that France, the Netherlands and Ireland have regained FMD-free status without vaccination. | | | See press release on the announcement and the resolution. |
| | Wed 19/9 | | | | EMEA meeting, London: working Group of the European Pharmacopoeia on the FMD vaccine Monograph. |
| THIRTY-SECOND WEEK | Wed 26/9 | | Scientific seminar in Brussels on “Development of prevention and control strategies to address animal health and related problems in densely populated livestock areas in the EU” | | Meeting of Chief Veterinary Officers in the Council. |
| | Fri 28/9 | | Adoption of Commission Decisions 2001/708/EC and 2001/709/EC (See SVC of 11 – 12/9). | | |
| | Sun 30/9 | | | | 2030 th , and last, case of FMD in the UK |

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| THIRTY-FOURTH WEEK | Tue 9/10 | Meeting of the SVC (until 10/10) | The UK delegate provided a further update on the FMD situation in the UK. There had been no new cases in the UK since 30 September. | | |
| | Wed 10/10 | Meeting of the SVC | Opinion of the SVC on draft Decision 2001/740/EC to allow the dispatch of fresh pig meat from certain areas of the UK from 22 October. The Decision would apply the principle of regionalisation to the UK and permit the UK to dispatch fresh pig meat from 4 regions that have never had a case of FMD during the present outbreak. If there were any outbreak of FMD in one of these regions, the Commission would immediately take action to prevent it from dispatching meat. The Decision would also allow the dispatch of certain milk products which had undergone a ripening process including acidification, and would to extend the derogation from the existing restrictions for frozen bovine semen to frozen porcine semen under the same strict conditions. | | See press release and short report of the meeting. |
| THIRTY-FIFTH WEEK | Fri 19/10 | | Adoption of Commission Decision 2001/740/EC ⁸⁸ (see SVC of 10/10). | | |
| THIRTY-SIXTH WEEK | Tue 23/10 | | | | Discussion at the Agriculture Council in Luxembourg. See press release . |
| | Wed 24/10 | Meeting of the SVC | Opinion of the SVC on draft Commission Decision 2001/763/EC to allow the dispatch of fresh beef from certain areas of the UK, and to extend the areas from which the dispatch of fresh pig meat is permitted. The Decision would allow dispatch of beef from 4 regions that have never had a case of FMD, and would extend the areas allowed to dispatch pig meat to include areas that had been free of FMD for three months and for which serological testing has been completed. | | See press release and short report of the meeting. |

⁸⁸ Concerning certain protection measures with regard to foot-and-mouth disease in the United Kingdom and repealing Decision 2001/356/EC

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| THIRTY- SEVENTH WEEK | Tue 30/10 | | Adoption of Commission Decision 2001/763/EC ⁸⁹ (see SVC of 24/10). | | |
| | THIRTY- EIGHTH WEEK | Tue 6/11 | Meeting of the SVC | Opinion of the SVC on draft Commission Decision 2001/789/EC to allow the export of fresh sheep and goat meat from certain areas of Great Britain. These are the same as the areas which have been able to export pig meat since 22 October: the Scottish Islands, most of Scotland, some counties in the east and south of Great Britain and two counties in Wales. The export of farmed and wild game meat from certain areas will also be allowed. | |
| THIRTY-NINTH WEEK | Mon 12/11 | | Adoption of Commission Decision 2001/789/EC ⁹⁰ (see SVC of 6/11). | | |
| | Thur/ Fri 15-16/ 11 | | | | E.U.F.M.D meeting in the Netherlands. Update of the situation in the UK, and the Netherlands' experiences, discussion of serological testing methods and vaccination. |

⁸⁹ Amending Commission Decision 2001/740/EC.

⁹⁰ Amending Commission Decision 2001/740/EC for the second time.

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| FORTIETH WEEK | Mon 19/11 | | Mission (until 23/11) to the UK to gather information on financial controls during the FMD crisis. | | Information at the Agriculture Committee of the European Parliament. |
| | Wed 21/11 | Meeting of the SVC | Opinion of the SVC on two draft Commission decisions: (i) draft Commission decision 2001/848/EC amending Commission Decision 2001/740/EC ⁹¹ so that the UK could export fresh meat from all areas except those indicated in the annex to the decision. (ii) draft Commission decision 2001/904/EC extending the duration of the European standstill decision until 31 March 2002. | | |
| FORTY-FIRST WEEK | Fri 30/11 | | Adoption of Commission Decision 2001/848/EC (see SVC of 21/11). | | |
| FORTY-SECOND WEEK | Mon 3/12 | | Completion of mission report 3439/2001 to the UK. | | |
| | Tue 4/12 | Meeting of the SVC. | Opinion of the SVC on draft Commission Decision 2001/911/EC amending Commission Decision 2001/740/EC ⁹² . The decision would: (i) allow the UK to export live pigs to other Member States, from those areas which had never had a case of FMD. (ii) to further extend the areas from which export of fresh meat (beef, pork, sheep and goat meat, and farmed game meat) is allowed. These areas now include all counties of GB except Cumbria, Northumberland, North Yorkshire and Durham. Wild game meat may be exported from slightly smaller areas, allowing for a buffer between those areas and areas where serological testing has not yet been completed. | | See short report of the meeting |

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| FORTY-THIRD WEEK | Wed/ Thur 12-13/ 12 | International Conference on lessons to be learned from FMD in the UK and policy development for the future. | | | |
| | Fri 14/12 | | | | Discussion at the Council by Chief Veterinary Officers of the conclusions of the FMD conference. |
| FORTY-FOURTH WEEK | Tue 18/12 | Meeting of the SVC | Opinion of the SVC on draft Commission Decision 2001/938/EC amending Commission Decision 2001/740/EC ⁹³ to allow the export of live pigs and cattle, and fresh pig meat, sheep meat and beef, from all of Great Britain apart from Cumbria, Northumberland, North Yorkshire and Durham. However, the export of live cattle is still restricted because of BSE measures. | | See brief press release |
| | Wed 19/12 | | Adoption of Commission Decision 2001/904/EC (see SVC of 21/11). | | |
| FORTY-FIFTH WEEK | Fri 28/12 | | Adoption of Commission Decision 2001/911/EC (see SVC of 4/12). | | |
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| FORTY-SEVENTH WEEK | Tue 8/1 | Meeting of the SVC | Opinion of the SVC on draft Commission decision 2002/37/EC amending Commission Decision 2001/740/EC ⁹⁴ to allow the export of live pigs and cattle, and fresh pig meat, sheep meat and beef, from all of Great Britain apart from Northumberland. This follows successful completion of serological testing in Cumbria, North Yorkshire and Durham. However, the export of live cattle is still restricted because of BSE measures. Wild game meat may also be exported from Great Britain, except from Northumberland and its surrounding counties which act as a buffer zone (Galashiels, Cumbria, Durham and Tyne and Wear). | | See brief press release |
| FORTY-EIGHTH WEEK | Tue 15/1 | Meeting of the SVC | The UK delegate gave a short report on the situation in Great Britain. All serological testing has now been completed. Northumberland was declared free of FMD by the UK authorities at midnight on 14/15 January. Opinion of the SVC on draft Commission Decision 2002/48/EC amending Commission Decision 2001/740/EC ⁹⁵ to allow the export of live pigs and cattle, and fresh pig meat, sheep meat and beef from all of Great Britain. (However, the export of live cattle is still restricted because of BSE measures.) Wild game meat may also now be exported from the whole of Great Britain. Adoption of Commission Decision 2002/37/EC (see SVC of 8/1). | | See brief press release |
| FORTY- NINTH WEEK | Mon 21/1 | OIE declares United Kingdom has regained FMD-free status without vaccination. | | | |
| | Wed 23/1 | | Adoption of Commission Decision 2002/48/EC (see SVC of 15/1). | | |
| FIFTIETH WEEK | Mon 28/1 – Fri 1/2 | | Mission to the UK to inspect financial controls and records during the FMD crisis. | | |

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| FIFTY-FIRST WEEK | Tue 5/2 | Meeting of the SVC | <p>Opinion of the SVC on draft Commission Decision 2002/153/EC repealing Commission Decision 2001/740/EC and amending Commission Decision 2001/327/EC to apply to the whole of the EU. Following recognition of the UK as being, once again, a country free of FMD without vaccination, by the OIE on 21 January, this decision would release all Community restrictions currently applying to the UK by repealing Decision 2001/740/EC. This means that there would be no restrictions due to FMD on the dispatch from the UK to Member States or third countries of any FMD-susceptible animals or their meat or products. (However, restrictions due to BSE still apply to cattle). The amendment of Decision 2001/327/EC would apply its provisions to the UK as well as all other Member States, and therefore all Member States would be treated in the same way by EU legislation.</p> <p>The Commission confirmed its intention to maintain the amended provisions of Decision 2001/327/EC until Directive 91/68 has been amended to treat sheep and goats in the same way as pigs and cattle.</p> <p>The Commission concluded that this closed the book on the 2001 outbreak of FMD in the EU, thanked the UK for its hard work over the previous 12 months, and thanked the other members of the SVC for their support during the crisis.</p> | | See short press release |
| | Thurs/ Fri 7-8/2 | | | | <p>E.U.F.M.D. meeting in Rome. Discussion of NSP test use in future, re-gaining of FMD-free status in a shorter period of time, FMD entering the EU from Turkey and bio-terrorism.</p> |

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| FIFTY-THIRD WEEK | Wed 20/2 | | Adoption of Commission Decision 2002/153/EC (see SVC of 5/2). | | |
| | Thurs 21/2 | | | | Inaugural meeting of the European Parliament Temporary Committee on FMD (Brussels). |
| FIFTY-FOURTH WEEK | Tue 26/2 | | | | Second meeting of the EP Temporary Committee on FMD (Brussels): discussion of work programme. |
| FIFTY-FIFTH WEEK | Tue 5/3 | Meeting of the Standing Committee on the Food Chain and Animal Health (SCoFAH) established by Regulation (EC) No 178/2002 . | Opinion of the SCoFAH on draft Commission Decision 2002/242/EC amending Commission Decision 2001/327/EC prolonging the measures (European standstill) until the end of 2002. | | |
| FIFTY-SEVENTH WEEK | Mon 18/3 – Fri 22/3 | | Mission to the UK to inspect financial controls and records during the FMD crisis. | | |

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| FIFTY-EIGHTH WEEK | Mon 25/3 | <p>Adoption of Commission Decision 2002/242/EC (see SCoFCAH 5/3/2002)</p> <p>Evidence submitted to the EP Temporary Committee on FMD (Brussels); The role of the EC institutions: Address of Commissioner Byrne to the EP Temporary Committee on FMD Evidence given by the Food and Veterinary Office</p> <p>FAO- European Commission for the control of FMD- 67th Session of the Executive Committee- Budapest, Hungary</p> | | Third meeting of the EP Temporary Committee on FMD: first evidence-taking session . |
| | Tue 26/3 | <p>Evidence submitted to the EP Temporary Committee on FMD (Brussels); The experience in the UK (Part I)</p> <p>1st Session-Evidence given by UK-Minister N. Brown and CVO of the UK J. Scudamore.</p> <p>2nd Session- Evidence given by Keith Sumpton, & Alayne Addy</p> <p>FAO- European Commission for the control of FMD- 67th Session of the Executive Committee- Budapest, Hungary</p> | | Third meeting of the EP Temporary Committee on FMD: second evidence-taking session |
| SIXTIETH WEEK | Mon 8/4 | <p>Evidence submitted to the EP Temporary Committee on FMD (Strasbourg) The experience in the UK (Part II)</p> <p>1st Session- Evidence given by Lord Whitty, Ben Gill (UKNFU), Guy Evarard, Alan Richardson.</p> <p>2nd Session- Evidence given by Elliot Morley, Keith Baker, Prof. Dower & William Moyes</p> | | Fourth meeting of EP Temporary Committee: Third evidence-taking session |
| SIXTY-FIRST WEEK | Weds 17/4- Sat 20/4 | <p>EP Temporary Committee on FMD- First visit to the UK</p> <p>The Northern Regions of the UK (Scotland, Northumberland, Cumbria)</p> | | |

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| SIXTY-SECOND WEEK | Thurs 25/4 | | <p>The EP Temporary Committee on FMD (Brussels);</p> <p>Exchange of views with Commissioner Fischler See Commissioner Fischler's speech to the Committee (En)</p> <p>Assessment of visit to the UK</p> | | Fifth meeting of EP Temporary Committee on FMD: |
| SIXTY-THIRD WEEK | Fri 3/5 | <p>Publication of the Committee of the Regions' Resolution on Tackling Foot and Mouth Disease</p> <p>This was original ratified at the 38th Plenary Session of the COR on 5 April 2001</p> | | | |
| SIXTY-SIXTH WEEK | Tues 21/5 | | <p>The EP Temporary Committee on FMD (Brussels)</p> <p>Public hearing on 'Epidemiological Aspects'</p> <p>1st Session- Evidence from Prof Anderson, Dr Yubero, Mrs Chmitelin and Mr Moutou</p> <p>2nd Session- Evidence Form Prof Osterhaus, Prof Bartling & Prof Zwingmann</p> | | Sixth meeting of EP Temporary Committee |
| | Thurs 23/5- Sat 25/5 | | <p>EP Temporary Committee on FMD- Visit to the Netherlands</p> <p>The provinces of Gelderland (Oene) and Friesland</p> | | |

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| SIXTY-SEVENTH WEEK | Tues 28/5- Fri 31/5 | 70 th General Session of the OIE International Committee | Amendment to the OIE code for the attainment of FMD-free status. It was agreed to reduce the waiting period to acquire FMD-free status to 6 months following an outbreak controlled without the slaughter of vaccinated animals, providing serological surveillance using an appropriate diagnostic test had shown no evidence of circulating virus (the waiting period remained at 3 months after the slaughter of the last confirmed case where stamping out is applied, or 3 months after the slaughter of the last vaccinated animal where stamping out and emergency vaccination is applied) | | |
| | Thurs 30/5 | | <p>The EP Temporary Committee on FMD (Brussels)</p> <p>Public Hearing on ‘ The economic and social repercussions of the crisis (tourism, transport, animal welfare)’</p> <p>1st Session- Evidence from Lord Haskins, Mr Bolweg & Prof Midmore 2nd Session- Evidence from Mrs Guitard & Mr Wilkinsr</p> <p>In a separate session, Prof King, the Chief Scientific Advisor to the UK government, gave evidence on Epidemiology and vaccination.</p> | | Seventh meeting of the EP Temporary Committee on FMD |
| SIXTY-EIGHTH | Sun 2/6- Wed 5/6 | Foot and Mouth Disease Control Strategies- An International Symposium organised by the Mérieux Foundation, IABs and OIE Lyons, France | | | |
| | Mon 3/6 | | <p>The Committee of the Regions- Commission for Sustainable Development</p> <p>The Rapporteur of the EP FMD Temporary Committee and representatives from the European Commission attended the meeting of the COR's Commission for Sustainable Development to discuss FMD.</p> | | |

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| | Thurs 6/6 | | Visit of officials from the Court of Auditors to DG SANCO regarding FMD. | | |
| SIXTY-NINTH WEEK | Mon 10/6 | | <p>The EP Temporary Committee on FMD (Strasbourg)</p> <p>Committee Meeting- ‘The experiences of France and Ireland’</p> <p>1st Session- (Republic of Ireland) Mr Walsh & Mr Gaynor 2nd Session- (Northern Ireland) Mrs Rodgers & Mr McCracken 3rd Session- (France) Mrs Chmitelin & Mr Gremillet</p> <p>4th Session- (Equestrian sports) Mr Sluyter</p> | | Eighth meeting of the EP Temporary Committee on FMD |
| SEVENTIETH | Mon 17/6 | | <p>The EP Temporary Committee on FMD (Brussels)</p> <p>Committee meeting on ‘The issue of Vaccination’</p> <p>1st Session- Prof Brown, Mr Donaldson, Prof Thein & Dr Le Fourban 2nd Session- Dr Pearson, Dr Pluimers, Dr De Clercq & Dr Little</p> | | Ninth meeting of the EP Temporary Committee |
| | Tues 18/6 | | <p>The EP Temporary Committee on FMD (Brussels)</p> <p>Public Hearing ‘The policy on foot-and-mouth disease in non-affected Member States- The indirect cost of the crisis.’</p> <p>1st Session- Mr Mortenson, Dr Sanchez Trujillano, Dr Schuller 2nd Session- Prof Lodetti, Mr Panagiotatos, Dr Schwabenbauer</p> | | |

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| | Wed 19/6- Sat 22/6 | | EP Temporary Committee on FMD- Second visit to the UK The Western and Southern Regions (Wales, Devon & Gloucestershire) | | |
| | Thurs 20/6 | | | Publication of a report by the UK's Department for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs (DEFRA) on The origin of the UK FMD epidemic in 2001 | |
| SEVENTY- SECOND WEEK | Mon 1/7 | | The EP Temporary Committee on FMD (Strasbourg) Extraordinary meeting 1 st Session- Exchange of views with Mr Jones, Welsh Minister for Rural Affairs 2 nd Session- Exchange of views with Mr Finnie, Scottish Minister for the Environment and Rural Affairs 3 rd Session- Exchange of views with Mr Lennon, Director responsible for budgetary matters at DG SANCO, European Commission | | Tenth meeting of the EP Temporary Committee |
| SEVENTY-FIRST WEEK | Tues 9/7 | | The EP Temporary Committee on FMD (Brussels) Public Hearing 'Meat imports and import inspection' and 'Marketing of products from vaccinated animals' 1 st Session- (Imports) Mr Checchi Lang, Dr Eysing, Mr Lawrence & Mr Young 2 nd Session (Marketing of vaccinated animals) Mr Checchi Lang, Mr Peel & Mr Mackereth | | Eleventh meeting of the EP FMD Temporary Committee |

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| SEVENTY-SECOND WEEK | Tues 16/7 | | <p>The EP Temporary Committee on FMD (Brussels)</p> <p>Morning</p> <p>The veterinary services in the Member States and contingency planning</p> <p>1st Session- Mr Laoide, Mr Hutchins, Mr Lengelé</p> <p>2nd Session- Brigadier Birtwistle, Mr Holden, Mr Davies</p> <p>Afternoon</p> <p>a) The experiences in the Netherlands and Belgium</p> <p>1st Session- Mr L.J. Brinkhorst</p> <p>2nd Session- Mr Hanemayer, Mr Cuijpers, Mr Bolwerk, Mr De Winter</p> <p>b) Epidemiological aspects</p> <p>Dr P Kitching</p> | | Twelfth meeting of the EP Temporary Committee on FMD |
| | | | | Publication of UK Royal Society Inquiry team's report into Infectious Diseases in Livestock, chaired by Sir Brian Follett FRS. | |
| SEVENTY-THIRD WEEK | Mon 22/7 | | | Publication of the UK Inquiry report on the lessons to be learned from the FMD outbreak in 2001, chaired by Dr Anderson | |
| SEVENTY-EIGHTH WEEK | Mon 26/8 | | <p>The EP Temporary Committee on FMD (Brussels)</p> <p>Hearing on</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. 'Insurance against the Financial risks of animal disease' – Prof Huirne, Mr Genden, Mr Batza; and 2. A report of the UK national audit office (NAO) on the costs of the FMD epidemic in the UK- Mr Eales | | Thirteenth meeting of the EP Temporary Committee on FMD |

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| SEVENTY-NINTH WEEK | Mon 2/9 | | <p>The EP Temporary Committee on FMD (Strasbourg)</p> <p>Extraordinary meeting to exchange views with a range of experts regarding a number of issues and statements including;</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Meat imports and border inspection posts- Mr Sheesley • Insurance against the financial risks of animal disease- Mr Moreno • Control and eradication of FMD in South America- Dr Sutmoeller • Diagnostics- Dr Watkins • Health and social-welfare consequences of UK FMD epidemic - Mrs Baxter | | Fourteenth meeting of the EP Temporary Committee on FMD |
| EIGHTIETH WEEK | Thurs 12/9 | | <p>The EP Temporary Committee on FMD (Brussels)</p> <p>Morning- Committee meeting</p> <p>1st Session- Exchange of views with Commissioner Byrne</p> <p>2nd Session- Exchange of views with Mrs Beckett (DEFRA, UK)</p> <p>Afternoon- Visit to the port of Rotterdam</p> | | Fifteenth meeting of the EP Temporary Committee on FMD |
| EIGHTY-THIRD WEEK | Mon 30/9 | | <p>The EP Temporary Committee on FMD (Brussels)</p> <p>Afternoon- Committee meeting</p> <p>1st Session- Statement and Exchange of views with Professor Ian McConnell, member of the drafting committee of The Royal Society (UK) report on Infectious Diseases in Livestock.</p> <p>2nd Session- Consideration of the initial working document on Committee conclusions prepared by the Rapporteur</p> | | Sixteenth meeting of the EP Temporary Committee on FMD |
| EIGHTY-FOURTH WEEK | Thurs 10/10 | | <p>The EP Temporary Committee on FMD (Brussels)</p> <p>Afternoon- Committee meeting</p> <p>Consideration of the Temporary Committee's draft report on FMD: Lessons to be learned from the 2001 crisis and proposals for the future (Deadline for amendments-15/10)</p> | | Seventeenth meeting of the EP Temporary Committee on FMD |

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| EIGHTY-SIXTH WEEK | Tues 22/10 | | <p>The EP Temporary Committee on FMD (Strasbourg)</p> <p>Extraordinary meeting to consider the amendments to the Temporary Committee's draft report on FMD: Lessons to be learned from the 2001 crisis and proposals for the future</p> | | Eighteenth meeting of the EP Temporary Committee on FMD |
| EIGHTY-NINETH WEEK | Wed 6/11 | | | <p>Publication of UK Government's response to the UK FMD Inquiry reports</p> | |
| | Thurs 7/11 | | <p>The EP Temporary Committee on FMD (Brussels)</p> <p>Afternoon- Committee meeting</p> <p>Consideration of initial amendments and compromise amendments to the Temporary Committee's draft report on FMD: Lessons to be learned from the 2001 crisis and proposals for the future</p> | | Nineteenth meeting of the EP Temporary Committee on FMD |
| NINETY-FIRST WEEK | Wed 20/11 (post. from 18/11) | | <p>The EP Temporary Committee on FMD (Strasbourg)</p> <p>Extraordinary meeting to adopt the Temporary Committee's draft report on FMD: Lessons to be learned from the 2001 crisis and proposals for the future</p> <p>After voting, approximately 100 amendments were passed for inclusion in the report (from a total of 237). The Committee agreed unanimously to accept the final report</p> | | Twentieth meeting of the EP Temporary Committee on FMD |
| NINETY-FIFTH | Tues 17/12 | <p>Plenary Session of the European Parliament</p> | <p>At the plenary Session, the EP agrees a Resolution (2002/2153) on measures to control FMD in the EU in 2001 and future measures to prevent and control animal diseases in the EU. This takes account of the various Inquiry's, testimonies and other relevant information from within the individual Member States, and the conclusions of the final report from the EP's Temporary Committee on FMD.</p> <p>Press Release from Commissioner Byrne welcoming the new recommendations from the EP</p> | | |

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| | Wed 18/12 | | <p>The European Commission adopts a new Proposal for a Council Directive (2002/0299(CNS)) to revise and improve legislation on EU measures to control future outbreaks of foot-and-mouth disease. This extensive document takes account of the experience of the 2001 epidemic, and outlines a host of improved measures to maintain or, in the event of an outbreak, quickly regain the 'FMD-free' status.</p> <p>The Proposal is submitted to the Council and the European Parliament.</p> <p>Press release outlining the content of the new proposal.</p> | | |
| ONE HUNDRED & FIRST WEEK | Mon-Tues 27/1-28/1 | 2481st Council meeting - AGRICULTURE AND FISHERIES - Brussels | Council's initial consideration to the proposal for a Council Directive on Community measures for the control of foot and mouth disease (FMD). Initial reaction to the proposal is generally favourable- the Council instructs the Permanent Committee of Representatives to report on progress at a forthcoming session after further examination of the detail of the proposal. | | |
| | Thurs-Fri 30/1-31/1 | | First meeting of Council expert working group to discuss detail of the Commission's proposal for a Council Directive on Community measures for the control of FMD | | |
| ONE HUNDRED & SECOND WEEK | Fri 7/2 | | | The UK launches a consultation procedure on the proposed EU directive on community measures for the control of FMD. The deadline for comments is 2 May. | |

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| ONE HUNDRED & THIRD WEEK | Thurs 13/2 | Economic and Social Committee- Section for Agriculture, Rural Development and the Environment. | Section meeting , including preparation of an opinion on the Commission's proposal for a Council Directive on Community measures for the control of FMD (Rapporteur: M Bastian). | | |
| | Thurs- Fri 13/2- 14/2 | | Second meeting of Council expert working group to discuss the detail of the Commission's proposal for a Council Directive on Community measures for the control of FMD | | |
| ONE HUNDRED & FOURTH | Tues 18/2 | Meeting of European Parliament's Committee on Agriculture and Rural Development | EP Agriculture and Rural Development Committee gives initial consideration to the Commission's proposal for a Council directive on Community measures for the control of FMD. | | |
| ONE HUNDRED & FIFTH WEEK | Thurs- Fri 27/2- 28/2 | | Third meeting of Council expert working group to discuss the detail of the Commission's proposal for a Council Directive on Community measures for the control of FMD | | |
| ONE HUNDRED | Thurs 6/3 | Economic and Social Committee- Section for Agriculture, Rural Development and the Environment. | Working group meeting to consider the Commission's proposal for a Council directive on Community measures for the control of FMD (Rapporteur: M Bastian). | | |

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| | Thurs-Fri 6/3-7/3 | | Fourth meeting of Council expert working group to discuss the detail of the Commission's proposal for a Council Directive on Community measures for the control of FMD | | |
| ONE HUNDRED & SEVENTH WEEK | Thurs-Fri 13/3-14/3 | | Fifth meeting of Council expert working group to discuss the detail of the Commission's proposal for a Council Directive on Community measures for the control of FMD | | |
| ONE HUNDRED & EIGHTH WEEK | Mon 17/3 | | Publication of revised version of the proposal for a Council Directive on FMD, taking into account comments and suggestions made by MS representatives during meetings of Council working groups | | |
| | Tues 18/3 | Meeting of European Parliament's Committee on Agriculture and Rural Development | Commissioner Byrne addresses the EP Agriculture and Rural Development Committee to outline the proposal for a Council Directive on Community measures for the control of FMD. The Committee discuss their draft report (Rapporteur- Mr Wolfgang Kreissl-Doerfler) on the Commission's proposal. | | |
| ONE HUNDRED | Mon 24/3 | Meeting of European Parliament's Committee on the Environment, Public Health and Consumer Policy | Consideration of the draft report (rapporteur: Philip Whitehead) of the Committee on the Environment, Public Health and Consumer Policy for the Committee on Agriculture and Rural Development on the proposal for a Council Directive on Community measures for the control of foot-and-mouth disease and amending Directive 92/46/EEC | | |

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| | Fri 28/3 | | | UK publishes a revised FMD contingency plan | |
| ONE HUNDRED & TENTH WEEK | Tues 1/4 | Economic and Social Committee- Section for Agriculture, Rural Development and the Environment. | Section meeting – Consideration of a draft working group report on the Commission’s proposal for a Council Directive on Community measures for the control of FMD (Rapporteur: M Bastian). | | |
| | Wed 2/4- Fri 4/4 | | Meeting of Council CVO working group in Heraklion, Crete. The meeting considered the Commission’s revised proposal for a Council Directive on Community measures for the control of FMD, the proposals for FMD related modifications to Directive 91/68/EEC and Regulation (EC) No 1255/97 | | |
| ONE HUNDRED & ELEVENTH WEEK | Wed 9/4- Fri 11/4 | | | 35th General Session of the European Commission for the Control of FMD , FAO HQ, Rome, Italy | |