STANDARD SUMMARY PROJECT FICHE

1. Basic Information
   1.1 Desirée Number: SR0104.01
   1.2 Title: Support of market surveillance system in Consumer and Health Protection
   1.3 Sector: Internal market
   1.4 Location: Slovak Republic

2. Objectives
   2.1 Overall Objectives
   • Implementation of the acquis communautaire in the area of Free Movement of Goods and Consumer and Health Protection.
   • Enforcement of change from pre – market to post – market control
   • To strengthen the administrative capacity of market surveillance bodies to implement and enforce new consumer protection laws and food legislation.

2.2 Project Purpose
   • Setting-up a global, co-ordinated and efficient market surveillance system in the Slovak Republic

2.3 Accession Partnership and NPAA priorities

Accession Partnership -medium term priorities:
Free movement of goods: complete the adoption of EN standards; complete the alignment of sectoral legislation; upgrade to EU-level all surveillance and conformity assessment structures as well as other implementing structures in sectors covered by product specific legislation.

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• Training of inspectors for official inspection.
• Completion of laboratories for the performance of official foodstuff inspection in compliance with and the scope of the requirements for the performance of the official inspection in the European Union and compatible with the European Union.
• Full implementation of the EU directive on unfair terms in consumer contracts
• Implementation of the EU directive on timeshare
• Implementation of the EU directive on injunctions for the protection of consumer interests
• Completion of the laboratories of the Slovak Agricultural and Foodstuffs Inspection for analysing additives, biotoxins and analyses of other contaminants (polyaromatic hydrocarbons).
• Completion of the laboratories of the Slovak Agricultural and Foodstuffs Inspection for analysing new foodstuffs and components (of genetically modified organisms).
• Provide for consultation to, study stays and training of inspectors and analysts of the Slovak Agricultural and Foodstuffs Inspection for the inspection of foodstuffs authenticity, specific certificates and determination of geographic origin and for analysing new foodstuffs and components (of genetically modified organisms).
• Completion of laboratories of the State Veterinary Administration for analysing contaminants, veterinary medicaments and hormone preparations residues and upgrading of information technology.
• Provide for consultations to, study stays and training of inspectors and analysts of the State Veterinary Administration specialised in analytical methods for contaminants, veterinary medicaments and hormone preparations, training of inspectors for the implementation of principles and methodology of official inspection

3. Description

3.1. Background and justification

The Slovak Government has decided to re-organise the market surveillance system and its institutional structure. At present, market surveillance is carried out by 12 State institutions under the competence of seven ministries. According to the law, the Ministry of Economy is the central body for consumer protection policy. The Slovak Trade Inspection, supervised by Ministry of Economy, has been granted primary and main responsibility for market surveillance activities and technical inspection of products placed on the market place in compliance with the conformity assessment. A new Act has been adopted which accelerates the process towards an integrated and fully co-ordinated market surveillance system.

In addition to State consumer protection authorities, non-governmental consumer associations play an important role in the enforcement and promotion of consumer protection on the marketplace. There is good co-operation between the Ministry of Economy and consumer organisations and a clear interest in strengthening this co-operation.

The main focus of the Project is to improve the overall system of market surveillance in the Slovak Republic. This implies further co-ordination efforts between existing market supervision authorities. The project will improve the administrative capacity of the existing bodies respectively in the non-food and food sectors, further clarifying responsibilities and distributing the main resources efficiently. Special emphasis will be given to co-operation with customs bodies. To reach improvement of quality and effectiveness of market surveillance, it is necessary to provide extensive training to inspectors on a wide range of issues, including consumer protection legislation, “New Approach Directives”, market surveillance powers and practices, etc.

A global enforcement strategy also calls for the active participation of non-governmental actors, such as lawyers, economic operators and groups representative of the consumer interests. Activities planned under the project support co-operation with consumer organisations. These can provide substantial gains in the actual implementation of consumer laws. However, for such actions to be efficient, non-governmental consumer groups will have, through this project, the opportunity to develop their professional skills and expertise.

On consumer protection in the non-food sector, the legal basis for market surveillance activities can be found in the Act 634/1992 coll. on Consumer Protection, as amended in 1999. These provisions are held to be fully compatible with the acquis communautaire (Commission Directive 92/59/EEC on general product safety). However, the adoption of a new directive on general product safety forces the Slovak authorities to reassess the conformity of existing provisions with the relevant acquis. Namely, this revised EU directive gives more emphasis to product recall procedures. It also improves and extends the scope of the RAPEX system (Rapid Exchange of Information system).
The Slovak Republic takes part in the system of rapid exchange of information on dangerous products in the market within transmission countries, TRAPEX. Through the envisaged assistance, it will be possible to start using and spreading the RAPEX system. The latter will be mainly used by integrated market surveillance body [at present, the Slovak Trade Inspection] in connection with relevant subjects.

The Ministry of Agriculture plays a key role in food safety and veterinary issues. In line with the Foodstuffs Act No.152/1995 Coll., the State Veterinary Administration (SVA) and the Slovak Agriculture and Food Inspection (SAFI) are state bodies responsible for foodstuffs control. The laboratories of SVA - State Veterinary Institutes (SVI) and SAFI are accredited according to EN 45 000 and carry out official analysis of foodstuffs and participate in the state monitoring of foreign substances covering major stages of food chain (“from the stable to the table” type of monitoring).

The SVA and SAFI are the executive authorities responsible for the implementation of food safety policy prepared by the Ministry of Agriculture. The SVA also provides activities in accordance with the Veterinary Care Act (Act No.337 of 1998).

The Ministry of Health is according to the Foodstuffs Act No. 152/1995 Coll. the Supervisory Authority over the specific categories of foodstuffs as epidemiologically risky foodstuffs, foodstuffs intended for special nutrition purposes as well as baby and infant food, delicacies, confectionery, foodstuffs in catering facilities etc. The State Health Institutes are the implementing bodies providing state supervision and analysis of these categories of foodstuffs. The Ministry of Health (and its implementing bodies) also carries out activities in accordance with the Human Health Protection Act (Act No.272 of 1994).

A key priority of the agricultural sector in 2001 is to integrate the existing national control bodies and to set-up a strong administrative structure for application of the food safety policy in the Slovak Republic. The Ministry of Agriculture has already prepared a proposal for the integration of food supervision bodies in the agricultural sector. The aim is to set-up a strong and functional administrative structure for food supervision (State Veterinary and Food Administration of the Slovak Republic) which will be a suitable counterpart for the EU supervision authorities and the communication contact point with the upcoming European Food Authority (See Annex 6). This change will have an impact on the existing legislation concerning food supervision as well as on the economic and staff level for the newly created integrated body.

The Food Research Institute (under the Ministry of Agriculture) as National Centre for the assessment of contaminants in the whole food sector and as co-ordinator for monitoring of contaminants in Slovakia will benefit of Phare assistance through this project in its capacity of National Contact Point for Rapid Alert System for foodstuffs (RASFF). The Centre also provides complex statistical processing of food supervision and the monitoring of the results which are regularly sent to the food supervision authorities to take precautionary and immediate action.

The relevant acquis has been transposed to the Slovak Food Code, which is the implementing decree of both Ministry of Agriculture and Ministry of Health to the Foodstuffs Act. In the area of food hygiene, the Council Directive 93/43/EEC has been fully transposed to the Slovak Food Code, while in the area of official control of foodstuffs the Council Directives 89/397/EEC and 93/99/EEC on the official control of foodstuffs are partially transposed to the Act on foodstuffs. The amendment of the Foodstuffs Act is being prepared and should be adopted by June 2001 ensuring in this way full approximation of the acquis in the area of official control.
The Slovak Republic is preparing the Food Safety Strategy for application of food safety principles and for full implementation of acquis in this area. The principles of the White Paper on food safety (White Paper on Food Safety, 12.1.2000, COM (1999), 719) and of the proposal for Regulation of the European Parliament and the Council laying down the general principles and requirements of food law, establishing the European Food Authority, and laying down procedures in matters of food safety, 8.11.2000, COM(2000)716) will be applied to this strategy. At the same time the food safety acquis is being gradually transposed to the relevant Slovak law – covering Veterinary Care, Plant Health Care and foodstuffs and its executive rules. In accordance with the NPAA and Position Paper – Free Movement of Goods, the full harmonisation in the field of foodstuffs will be achieved by the end of 2002.

The overall aim of the project is to ensure the full implementation of the acquis in the area of food safety and complete protection of consumers from exposure to health risk food products placed on the market through the technical support to accredited laboratories of SAFI and SVA.

The Slovak Republic cancelled the compulsory pre-market certification of foodstuffs on 1st February, 2001. The conformity assessment which is governed by the Ministry of Agriculture Regulation No. 27/1997 and concerns the placing of foodstuffs on the market will be cancelled as of 1st January, 2002 through the amendment of the Act No. 152/1995 Coll. on foodstuffs.

Phare will assist the Slovak authorities to create the necessary conditions for the implementation of Commission Regulation (EC) No 1525/98 amending Regulation (EC) No 194/97 setting maximum levels for certain contaminants (carcinogenic aflatoxins) in foodstuffs.

Methods of sampling and analysis for the official control of the levels for certain contaminants in foodstuffs (aflatoxins) set by the Commission Directive 98/53/EC will be harmonised and implemented. The limits for the above mentioned substances are partially harmonised with the acquis. Full compliance will be achieved during the timespan of this project.

The acquis for novel food/ingredients represented by the basic Regulation (EC) No 258/97 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 27 January 1997 and its amendments require the qualitative and the quantitative analyses of these foodstuffs. The Slovak legislation in this field is partially aligned to the acquis. Through the project the control of novel food on the market will be ensured, know-how will be provided and analysis within the foodstuff control will be performed.

This technical support will establish the conditions for analysis of the risk health foodstuffs, thus ensuring food safety on the free food market. The staff of relevant authorities responsible for foodstuffs control will be trained on implementation of acquis in the areas of official control of foodstuffs (according to EU Directives 89/397/EEC, 93/99/EEC on official control of foodstuffs), foodstuffs hygiene (Council Directive 93/43/EEC on hygiene of foodstuffs), food safety principles applied in practice (White Paper on Food Safety, Proposal for a Regulation of the European Parliament and of the European Council laying down the general principles and requirements of food law, establishing the European Food Authority, and procedures in matters of food safety) as well as methods of sampling and analysis. The conditions for the application of the EU RASFF based on the Commission Directive 92/59/EEC on general product safety will be evaluated and technical know-how concerning alert notifications will be provided.

The Slovak authorities have already made an assessment of the present system of Market Surveillance and prepared a “Draft Intent on Integrated Market Surveillance”. On the basis of these studies, it will be defined the institutional framework for an Integrated Market Surveillance system. The Draft Intent has already been submitted to the Economic Ministerial Council of the
Slovak Government. The adoption of legislative arrangement concerning integrated market surveillance in non-food area and consumer protection is expected by the end of 2001.

3.2. Linked Activities

Linked activities in the area of integrated market surveillance:

In the frame of the PRAQ III project (directly linked to consumer protection):
- visit of EU expert in 1998 and in 2000 (analysis of market surveillance in Slovakia)
- September 2000: workshop in Berlin for inspectors dealing with safety of toys, cosmetics, electric appliances and food
- October 2000: workshop in Berlin for civil servants concerning methodology of market surveillance
- November 2000: seminar for inspectors and civil servants on market surveillance


Linked activities in the area of food control:

SR 9513-02-01 Technical Assistance for Harmonisation
- Technical assistance on harmonisation of phyto-sanitary and veterinary standards, quality control and food standards, animal health, statistics and comparative methods provided
- Technical specification for investment support designed and used in the subproject “Equipment for Harmonisation” (SR 9513 02 02) and for technical specification in the COP’97
- Recommendations considered in preparation of the COP’97 (SR 9706) and COP ’98 twinning (project completed in 1998)

SR 9706-02-01 T. A. to Phytosanitary and Veterinary Administration
- Provide assistance for improvement of phytosanitary, veterinary and food administration
- Improvement of the system of the food quality inspection
- Implementation of the new analytical procedures/methods, transfer of know-how and skills, language training, study visits

SR 9706-02-02 Equipment for Phytosanitary and Veterinary Infrastructure
- Supply of laboratory and IT equipment, devices and technologies to improve the technical infrastructure in the phytosanitary, veterinary, breeding and food inspection, cross-border check points, their inter-linkage and communication (installation of equipment in beneficiary institutions completed in March 2000)

SR 9706-05-01 Food Sector Adjustment and Modernisation
- T. A. by modernisation of the food processing industry, improvement of the quality standards of food products,
- Improvement of management practice, transfer of know-how and best EU practice in selected branches of the Slovak food-processing industry
National programme SR9808.02
SR 9808-01-01 T.A. to Harmonisation and Internal Market Legislation (Twinning partner Germany)

- Preview and harmonization of veterinary, food control and phytosanitary legislation with the acquis communautaire;
- Elaboration and implementation of communication networks for the veterinary, food control and phytosanitary sector (e.g. of PCs systems ADNS, ANIMO, SHIFT, VETLEX in the veterinary Administration);
- Design and implementation of a training programme according to the training plan;
- Elaboration and implementation of proposals for the upgrading of selected diagnostic facilities and border control posts (only border control posts at the Slovak/Ukrainian border as well as at the airports of Košice and Bratislava are integrated in the twinning with the German Federal Ministry of Food, Agriculture and Forestry).

3.3 Results

Result 1: Integrated market surveillance body - (Slovak Trade Inspection - STI) strengthened in line with the New Approach Directives and communication with relevant subjects improved,

Result 2: Integrated market surveillance system in the food sector developed and strengthened

3.4 Activities

Activities associated with Result 1:

Integrated market surveillance body - (Slovak Trade Inspection - STI) strengthened in line with the New Approach Directives and communication with relevant subjects improved

1.1. Consolidation of the legal basis for market surveillance activities:
Transposition, implementation and enforcement into Slovak law of the EU Proposal of 29 March 2000 for a new Directive on general product safety and full implementation of the related EU Directives

1.2. Administrative co-operation with customs bodies:
1.2.1. Further developing the existing co-operation, namely on exchanges of information and controls on imported goods;
1.2.2. Training of STI staff and staff of customs bodies respectively on market surveillance and mutual co-operation, authorised bodies including (approximately 40 people, 2 days)

1.3. Review of rules and practices regarding product withdrawals from the marketplace and product recalls procedures.

1.4. Preparation for access and participation to the RAPEX system:
1.4.1. Analysis of differences between TRAPEX and RAPEX systems and definition of requirements
1.4.2. Internship in the selected EU country on application of the RAPEX system for the National contact point (Ministry of Economy), STI staff, and customs staff (indicatively 13 officials, 1 week)
1.4.3. Pilot project for RAPEX system
1.4.4. Methodology for implementation of the RAPEX system
1.4.5. Professional training on the RAPEX system for National contact point (Ministry of Economy) and STI staff (approximately 20 people, 1 week)

1.5. Training of the staff of the integrated market surveillance body (STI) and Ministry of Economy on consumer protection matters, general product safety and relevant EU New approach directives (information about legislation, case-law developments and administrative practices).

1.5.1. Internship in two selected EU countries on application of market surveillance, comparison of different market surveillance systems, Ministry of Economy and STI staff (approximately 6 people, 2 x 1 week)

1.5.2. Internship in two different EU countries on application of consumer protection matters for Ministry of Economy staff (approximately 2 people, 2 x 1 week)

1.5.3. Internship in the selected EU country on application of general product safety matters for Ministry of Economy staff and STI staff (approximately 4 people, 10 days)

1.5.4. Seminars for STI staff on implementation of consumer protection directives (case laws, investigation procedures) (approximately 300 people all together, 8 (regions) x 2 weeks)

1.5.5. On the job training for STI staff on practices in executing of market surveillance

1.6. Procurement of equipment for integrated market surveillance body

1.6.1. Analysis of capacities of integrated market surveillance body (STI) and identifying needs for operating of RAPEX and implementation of integrated market surveillance

1.6.2. Provision of equipment for:
   - preparation to the access and participation in the RAPEX system
   - technical improvement of the integrated market surveillance body (STI) with the aim of implementation of the legislative arrangement concerning integrated market surveillance

1.7. Creating the conditions for a more active participation of non-governmental and public consumer associations to market surveillance activities:

1.7.1. Seminars for entrepreneurs associations, non-governmental and public consumer associations’ managers and staff on market surveillance legislation, institutions and practices (approximately 40 people, 6 x 1 week)

1.7.2. Seminars for entrepreneurs associations, non-governmental and public consumer associations’ managers and staff on public information and public awareness strategies and means (approximately 40 people, 3x 1 week)

1.7.3. Training on the methods of negotiation and improved communications with entrepreneurs and state administration in order to protect consumer interests (approximately 40 people, 2 days)

1.7.4. Promotion activities: publication of working manual for NGOs, publication of information brochures for consumers, creation of the web page for consumer associations

1.8. Creating the conditions for integrated market surveillance development

1.8.1. Survey of the existing institutional framework

1.8.2. Draft conception on co-ordination mechanism between food and non-food control systems

1.8.3. Internship in the selected EU country for the representatives of the Ministry of Economy and the Ministry of Agriculture on application of co-ordination mechanism between non-food and food control systems (approximately 4 people, 1 week)
Guaranteed results of the above mentioned activities are as follows:

- report on the impact of the new Directive on general product safety on existing law in SR and proposals for amending legislation
- implementation of the Memorandum on partnership signed between STI and customs bodies and increased scope of application
- regulations, guidelines or codes of conduct on product withdrawals and product recall procedures
- drafting the legal amendments necessary for giving full legitimacy to and ensuring good operation of the RAPEX system
- provision of additional equipment to STI, namely for preparing its participation to the RAPEX system
- improvement of professional level of relevant authorities

Means and costs for activities related to Result 1

Phare assistance will be provided through a twinning arrangement with a duration of 18 months. The Pre-Accession Advisor (PAA) supported by a Project Assistant (PA) will have the overall responsibility for the timely and effective provision of the assistance required, short-term expertise included. The PAA should have the following profile:

• at least 12 years of relevant professional experience, particularly as regards to the consumers protection and post market control,
• sound knowledge of the relevant acquis and its implementation
• excellent management and communication skills
• University degree in a relevant field
• Good command of English (written/spoken)
• Computer literate

The above mentioned activities will be performed with the support of a pool of short-term experts providing information and training for integrated market surveillance body staff, staff of Consumer Protection Department at the Ministry of Economy, non-governmental consumer association managers and staff, customs bodies staff.

They will prepare the above described written reports, drafts of new or amended rules, and strategy plans. They will assist the Project leader to prepare sub-project activities within the institutions concerned, such as State and non-governmental institutions.

A budget of 0.8 MEUR is allocated to this Twinning project.

Technical equipment support

In support to the activities envisaged under Result 1, Phare will also finance the provision of hardware (notebooks, scanners, printers, digital cameras) and software to be installed at the STI. Detailed description of the required technical equipment is provided in Annex 7.

A commitment of 0.2 MEUR is allocated to this investment component.

Total budget of Result 1: 1.0 MEUR
Activities associated with Result 2
Integrated market surveillance system in the food sector developed and strengthened

2.1 Implementation of relevant acquis
2.1.1 Training for food control inspectors from SAFI, SVA (including Regional and District Veterinary Administrations), Ministry of Agriculture, Ministry of Health (approximately 70 people, 2 weeks) on the implementation of EU directives on official control of foodstuffs and hygiene of foodstuffs into practice
2.1.2 Training for food control inspectors from SAFI, SVA (including Regional and District Veterinary Administrations), Ministry of Agriculture, Ministry of Health (approximately 70 people, 2 weeks) on the application of the food safety principles in the Slovak Republic and performance of food safety inspection
2.1.3 Internship in the selected country for laboratory experts of SAFI and SVA (approximately 1 week) on the methods of sampling and analysis of aflatoxins in foodstuffs
2.1.4 Internship in the selected country for laboratory experts of SAFI and SVA (approximately 1 week) on the methods of sampling and analysis of contaminants and essential substances in foodstuffs
2.1.5 Internship in the selected country for laboratory experts of SAFI and SVA (approximately 1 week) on the methods of analysis for GMOs in the way ELIZA and PCR techniques
2.1.6 Completion of limits for contaminants (carcinogenic aflatoxins) in foodstuffs and creating and familiarising with conditions for their implementation and analysis – training
2.1.7 Training will be carried out for food control inspectors from SAFI, SVA, State Health Institutes (approximately 50 people, 2 weeks) on methods of sampling of foodstuffs
2.1.8 Assistance in evaluating the alignment degree to the acquis.

2.2 Co-ordination of inspection activities
2.2.1 Preparation of the relevant legislation concerning foodstuff control
2.2.2 Preparation of related strategies for the performance of food control, strategy for the analytical sector and preparation for quality assurance in the laboratories for analysis of GMO (ELIZA and PCR), including broadening the scope of existing accreditations (which will incorporate preparatory and maintenance activities such as inter-laboratory control and proficiency testing)
2.2.3 Preparation of plans for co-ordinated monitoring and control programmes as well as plans for residues of pesticides, veterinary drugs, annual plans for sampling

2.3 Preparation for the establishment of Rapid Alert System for Foodstuffs (RASFF)
2.3.1 Preparation of the pilot project for the Rapid Alert System for Foodstuffs (RASFF). The project will analyse the current situation in the Slovak official control bodies – SAFI and SVA to be able to apply the RASSF, including:
   • Assessment of the technical capacity (IT - information technology) in selected regional and district workplaces dealing with official control of foodstuffs will be carried out and a proposal for their technical improvement will be prepared,
   • The financing of the technical upgrade of the above-mentioned workplaces will be covered by the state budget (co-financing of the investment part of the project),
   • The proposal for the connection of the official control bodies on RASSF and the establishment of the National Contact Point (NCP) in the Slovak Republic will be prepared,
On the basis of the pilot project results, the information system for products presenting a serious risk for consumers health will be adopted accordingly.

2.3.2 Implementation of pilot project for the Rapid Alert System for Foodstuffs (RASFF)
Short-term experts will assist in the execution of the pilot project with the aim to
- Evaluate the institution for establishment of RASFF National Contact Point
- Re-evaluate the workplaces of NCP, 8 regional and 40 district veterinary administrations of SVA, 1 central and 8 regional inspectorates of SAFI
- Elaborate the technical specifications for IT equipment for RASFF units.

2.3.3 Elaboration of an evaluation report with recommendation for future development of RASFF in the Slovak Republic

2.3.4 Training of the relevant staff of the inspection bodies, the Ministry of Agriculture and the Ministry of Health (approximately 30 people)

2.3.5 Procurement of equipment for performing of the RASFF for NCP
In the frame of this activity the units dealing with RASFF will be equipped according of the results of the pilot project. The proposed IT – technology for RASFF (Council Directive 92/59/EEC of 29 June 1992 on general product safety) will support the functioning of the National Contact Point for RASFF in the Slovak Republic and its connection on RASFF in the EU. The required equipment is defined under Annex 7.

2.3.6 Procurement of equipment for performing of the RASFF for SAFI and SVA
Within this activity the units dealing with RASFF within SAFI and SVA will be equipped according of the results of the pilot project. Activity will be carried out through national co-financing.

Guaranteed results of the above mentioned activities are as follows:
- implementation of acquis and improvement of the present system of foodstuffs official control in practice,
- application of the food safety principles in the process of policy development in agricultural sector, by decision making and control performance with the aim to protect health of consumers,
- harmonisation of sampling methods with EU procedures,
- quality assurance in the process of novel food analysis in laboratories,
- introduction of RASFF in the Slovak Republic

2.4 Laboratory and diagnostic equipment for harmonisation

2.4.1 Analysis of the needs concerning the implementation of the relevant EU Directives
Survey will be carried out by the short-term expert who will make a needs assessment for the relevant laboratories in order to fulfil EU requirements.

2.4.2 Procurement of laboratory, diagnostic and IT equipment
Analysis performed in line with EU standards and to guarantee the safety of foodstuffs on the free market, one laboratory of the SAFI and 3 laboratories of the SVA will be equipped with adequate instruments. A description is provided in Annex 7.

down the sampling methods and the methods of analysis for the official control of the levels for certain contaminants in foodstuffs, Commission Regulation (EC) No 1566/1999 of 16 July 1999 amending Regulation (EC) No 194/97 setting maximum levels for certain contaminants in foodstuffs), ochratoxin A, patulin, fumonisine B₁, fumonisine B₂, zearalenol and its metabolites, deoxynivalenol, nivalenol will be supported. Multiplicative effect of this equipment will be used by analysis of food additives (Annex 5).


The analysis of contaminants in foodstuffs – heavy metals will be provided through ICP – MS by SVI Košice. According to the White Paper on Food Safety, the acquis for heavy metals (cadmium, lead) is being prepared as an amendment of the Commission Regulation (EC) No 194/97 of 31 January 1997 setting maximum levels for certain contaminants in foodstuffs. This equipment will be used also for in trace analysis of elements and additionally by the analyses of elements in foodstuffs intended for specific nutrition purposes.

Means and costs for activities related to Result 2

Phare assistance will be provided through a twinning arrangement with a duration of 12 months. The Pre-Accession Advisor (PAA), supported by a Project Assistant (PA), will have the overall responsibility for the timely and effective provision of the assistance required, short-term expertise and organisation of seminars, training and workshops included. The PAA will be also responsible for the assistance in the process of acquis approximation in the area of official control of foodstuffs and food safety issues.

The PAA should have the following profile:
- at least 10 years of relevant professional experience, particularly as regards to the foodstuffs control and food safety
- sound knowledge of the relevant acquis and its implementation
- good management and communication skills
- University degree in a relevant field such as veterinary, food technology, food chemistry, biochemistry, food microbiology, or related degree
- Good command of English (written/spoken)
- Computer literate

The above mentioned activities will be performed with the support of short-term experts with specific competence for market surveillance structures in the area of food control, laboratory staff and diagnostic experts.

Short-term chemical analyst will be required for 3 months within activity 2.4.1. S/he will provide the analysis of SAFI and SVA laboratories to identify the equipment needs for the implementation of the acquis in the field of food control.

An IT expatriate short-term expert will be responsible for activity 2.3.2. S/he will perform an assessment of the current situation in the country and make a proposal for the technical upgrading of the beneficiary food control units regarding the process of implementation of RASSF. This activity will be carried out by a consultant (Technical assistance).

An allocation 0.35 MEUR is committed to this Twinning project (including the T.A. short-term expertise)

Provision of equipment related to activity 3.4 is foreseen in support of the activities 3.1 (implementation of EU directives by foodstuff control bodies) and 3.3 (support of the RASFF)

A sub-budget of 0.85 MEUR is allocated to Investment.

Overall budget for Result 2: 1.2 MEUR.

4. Institutional Framework

The project will be monitored and co-ordinated by an ad-hoc Steering Committee(SC), including representatives of the Ministry of Economy, Slovak Trade Inspection and Ministry of Agriculture (Section for Agriculture, Foodstuffs and Trade, SVA, SAFI and Phare Unit).

Recipient:
Ministry of Economy of the Slovak Republic, Mierová 19, 827 15 Bratislava, Ministry of Economy will have the overall responsibility of the project activities.
Beneficiary:
• Ministry of Agriculture of the Slovak Republic, Dobrovičova 12, 812 66 Bratislava

Ministry of Agriculture is responsible for the achievement of the result 2. It has delegated the responsibility for food control sector and food safety issues to the specialised state institutions in charge of implementation of relevant food control legislation and its enforcement as follows: the State Veterinary Administration and the Slovak Agriculture and Food Inspection.

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Integrated market surveillance body (STI) – to be created following the adoption of relevant legislation

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5. Detailed Budget (in MEUR)

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6. Implementation Arrangements

Implementing Agency
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6.2. Beneficiary institutions for twinning

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6.3. Non-standard aspects: DIS manual will be strictly applied

6.4. Contracts
- twinning covenant for Integrated Market Surveillance – 0.8 MEUR
- twinning covenant for Food Control – 0.35 MEUR
- supply contract for activity 1.6 – 0.2 MEUR
- supply contract for activity 2.3.6 – 0.05 MEUR
- supply contract for activity 2.4.2 – 0.8 MEUR

7. Implementation Schedule

7.1 Start of tendering: 1st quarter 2002
7.2 Start of project activity: 2nd quarter 2002
7.3 Project Completion: 3rd quarter 2003

8. Equal Opportunity

Equal opportunity principles will be ensured throughout the whole project.

9. Environment

The project will have not any negative impact on environment.

12. Conditionality and sequencing

Adoption of the proposed Act on integrated market surveillance and proposed regulations concerning the competence of relevant authorities
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### Intervention logic

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### Project purpose:

| | | |
| | Improvement in the enforcement of Consumer protection law. | Regular reports of the integrated market surveillance body (STI) |
| | Set up of market surveillance structures in line with the acquis | Reports from the involved institutions |
| | Protection of consumers from exposure to health risk food products | Regular report from the Commission on Slovakia’s progress towards accession regarding Free movement of goods and Consumer and Health Protection |
| | Food Safety Strategy of the Slovak Republic in place | Sector specific legislation in other areas harmonised |
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| 1) Integrated market surveillance body - (Slovak Trade Inspection - STI) strengthened in the way of New Approach Directives and communication with relevant subjects improved | • Improvement in the key role of the integrated market surveillance body (STI), communication with non-governmental consumer associations | • Regular reports of the integrated market surveillance body (STI) including information about cooperation with other relevant subjects  
• Annual reports of the involved institutions | • Continuous support of state policy in the field consumer protection  
• Professional level of consumer associations adequate to fulfil their obligations |
| 2) Integrated market surveillance system in the food sector developed and strengthened | • Training carried out for approximately 50 laboratory experts and inspectors from SAFI, SVA, State Health Institutes in methods of sampling of foodstuffs and methods on analysis relevant to EU legislation  
• Training carried out for approximately 70 inspectors from SAFI, SVA and staff of Ministry of Agriculture and Ministry of Health in implementation of EU directives on official control and hygiene of foodstuffs  
• Training carried out for approximately 30 food control experts in the utilisation of Rapid Alert System for foodstuffs  
• Testing laboratory equipment for diagnostics delivered and fully operational (SAFI, SVA) | • Screening reports generated by relevant DG  
• National programme for residues control – Slovak Republic  
• Annual report for foodstuffs quality and official control  
• Annual report for contaminants monitoring  
• TAIEX reports  
• Accreditation of laboratories on EU standards | • Co-operation between institutions involved in food market control |
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<td>1.2.1. Further developing the existing co-operation, 1.2.2. Training of STI staff and staff of customs bodies respectively on market surveillance and mutual co-operation, authorised bodies including (for approximately 40 people, 2 days)</td>
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1.5. Training of the staff of the integrated market surveillance body (STI) and MoE on consumer protection matters, general product safety and relevant EU New approach directives

1.5.1 Internship in two selected countries on application of market surveillance choosing two different market surveillance systems for Ministry of Economy staff and STI staff (approximately 6 people, 2 x 1 week)

1.5.2. Internship in two different selected countries on application of consumer protection matters for MoE staff (approximately 2 people, 2 x 1 week)

1.5.3. Internship in the selected country on application of general product safety matters for Ministry of Economy staff and STI staff (approximately 4 people, 10 days)

1.5.4. Seminars for STI staff on implementation of consumer protection directives (case laws, investigation procedures) (approximately 300 people all together, 8 (regions) x 2 weeks)

1.5.5. Professional training in practice for STI staff on implementation of consumer protection directives

1.6 Provision of equipment for market surveillance body

1.6.1 Analysis of needs for integrated market surveillance

1.6.2 Procurement of equipment

Twinning – short term expert from Member state

Supply of equipment 0.2 MEUR
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1.7. Creating the conditions for a more active participation of non-governmental and public consumer associations to market surveillance activities:
1.7.1. Seminars for entrepreneurs associations, non-governmental and public consumer associations’ managers and staff on market surveillance legislation, institutions and practices (approximately 40 people, 6 x 1 week)
1.7.2. Seminars for entrepreneurs associations, non-governmental and public consumer associations’ managers and staff on public information and public awareness strategies and means (approximately 40 people, 3x 1 week)
1.7.3. Training on methods of negotiation with entrepreneurs and state administration in order to protect consumer interests (approximately 40 people, 2 days)
1.7.4. Promotion activities: publication of work manual for NGOs, publication of information brochures for consumers, drafting of web page for consumer associations

Twinning
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#### 1.8. Creating the conditions for integrated market surveillance development
1.8.1. Survey of the existing institutional framework
1.8.2. Draft conception on co-ordination mechanism between food and non-food control systems
1.8.3. Internship in the selected country for Ministry of Economy staff and for Ministry of agriculture staff on application of co-ordination mechanism between non-food and food control systems (approximately 4 people, 1 week)

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2.1.6 Completion of limits for contaminants (carcinogenic aflatoxins) – training

2.1.7 Training on methods of sampling of foodstuffs ((approximately 50 people, 2 weeks)

2.1.8 The assistance for evaluation of approximation degree with acquis.

2.2 Co-ordination of inspection activities

2.2.1 Preparation of the relevant legislation concerning foodstuff control

2.2.2 Preparation of related strategies for the performance of food control, strategy for the analytical sector and preparation for quality assurance in the laboratories for analysis of GMO (ELIZA and PCR), including broadening the scope of existing accreditations (which will incorporate preparatory and maintenance activities such as inter-laboratory control and proficiency testing)

2.2.3 Preparation of plans for co-ordinated monitoring and control programmes

2.3. Preparation for the establishment of Rapid Alert System for Foodstuffs (RASFF)

2.3.1 Preparation of the pilot project for the Rapid Alert System for Foodstuffs (RASFF)

2.3.2 Implementation of pilot project for RASFF

2.3.3 Elaboration of an evaluation report

2.3.4 Training of the staff of the inspection bodies, the MOA MOH (approx. 30 people)

2.3.5 Procurement of equipment for the performing of the RASFF for NCP

TA Equipment supply 50 000,- EUR
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#### 2.3.6 Procurement of equipment for the performing of the RASFF for SAFI and SVA
- National Co-financing
- 240.000- EUR

#### 2.4 Laboratory and diagnostic equipment for harmonisation
- Twinning

#### 2.4.1 Analysis of the needs concerning the implementation of the relevant EU Directives
- Twinning

#### 2.4.2 Procurement of laboratory, diagnostic and IT equipment (Annex 7).
- Equipment supply
- 800.000- EUR

**Preconditions:**
Adoption of the new legislative arrangement concerning market surveillance in non-food area and consumer protection
## TIME IMPLEMENTATION CHART FOR PROJECT

**Support of Market surveillance system in Consumer and Health Protection**

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List of relevant law – Non-Food sector

Key legislative norms in the consumer and health protection are the following laws and decrees:

1. Act. no. 40/1964 coll. as amended - Civil Code
5. Act no. 272/1994 coll. on Human Health Protection as amended
6. Act no. 264/1999 coll. on Technical Requirements for Products and Conformity Assessment and implementing regulations to the Act in the form of regulations of the Government of the Slovak Republic
8. Decree of Ministry of Economy of the S.R. on labelling material components of footwear implementing the Directive on the labelling of the materials used in the main components of footwear for sale to the consumer (94/11/EC) - enter into effect from April 1st, 2001

Legal framework being under the legislation process:

1. Implementation of the Directive concerning misleading advertising (84/450/EEC as amended by 97/55/EC) and the Directive on comparative advertising (84/450/EEC as amended by 97/55/EC) in the new draft act on advertising
2. Implementation of the Directive concerning consumer credits (87/102/EEC as amended by 90/88/EEC and 98/2/EC) in the new draft act on consumer credits

Legal framework that will be prepared:

1. Implementation of the Directive on consumer protection in the indicating of the prices of products offered to consumers (98/6/EC)
2. Implementation of the Directive on time-share (94/47/EC)

List of relevant law – Food sector

10. 93/256/EEC: Commission Decision of 14 April 1993 laying down the methods to be used for detecting residues of substances having a hormonal or a thyrostatic action
11. 80/1089/EEC: Commission Recommendation of 11 November 1980 to the Member States concerning tests relating to the safety evaluation of food additives
24. Commission Regulation (EC) No 50/2000 of 10 January 2000 on the labelling of foodstuffs and food ingredients containing additives and flavourings that have been genetically modified or have been produced from genetically modified organisms
Technical specifications

**Result 1**

**Equipment required for support of integrated market surveillance body (Slovak Trade Inspection):**

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(*) I-SMI - Inspectorates Slovak Market Inspection (including Regional offices and Headquarters)

**Scanners, digital cameras and including supplements**

The equipment will be important for market surveillance body within the system of rapid exchange of information on dangerous non-food products (RAPEX). The equipment is necessary especially in the case of STI notification of dangerous products for detailed illustration. The equipment will be distributed to Regional Inspectorates and Headquarters.

**Server upgrade for 25 users**

The equipment will be used for establishing the network system within Regional Inspectorates and Headquarters and it will be distributed proportionally.

**Notebooks**

The equipment will be used for improvement of market control based on the New Approach Directives. Moreover, the equipment will be used for establishing central database including legislation and technical standards, information from authorised bodies in generally but also in case of non-confirmed assessment information from customs authorities and from the TRAPEX (RAPEX) system. Distribution of the equipment will be organised according to the number of case.

The equipment required must be in compliance with Phare eligibility criteria of origin.
Details for planned national co-financing:

Required equipment for support of integrated market surveillance body (Slovak Trade Inspection) and consumer protection authorities:

Planned co-financing will be used for Slovak Trade Inspection and consumer protection authorities.

Slovak Trade Inspection.
A substantial part of the co-financing will be used to convert the current database used at the Slovak Trade Inspection into compatible database programme:

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Support for consumer protection authorities:

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**Sub-total amount** 13,000

**TOTAL** 200,000 EUR
Result 2:

Details for planned Phare financing

The appropriate equipment for support of foodstuffs control bodies:

Laboratory equipment
The following laboratory equipment will be purchased for the Slovak beneficiary institutions:

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Subtotal: 800,000 EUR

GC-MS (GAS CHROMATOGRAPHY – MASS SPECTROSCOPY)
- confirmation residues of pesticides and drugs (SVI)

LC-MS (LIQUID CHROMATOGRAPHY – MASS SPECTROSCOPY)
- confirmation analysis of drugs and pesticides (SVI)
- analysis of biotoxins (aflatoxins, ochratoxin A, patulin, fumonosine B₁, fumonosine B₂, zearealenol and its metabolites, deoxynivalenol, nivalenol), pesticides residues and food additives included (SAFI). The main idea is to develop a laboratory for biotoxins analysis and complete the laboratory for multiresidual pesticides analysis method (selected pesticides must be analyzed with LC instead of GC which is already in work)

ICP-MS (INDUCTIVE COUPLET PLASMA – MASS SPECTROSCOPY)
Extension of detected parameters in trace analysis, possibility detect elements along to oxidation numbers, increased production of analyses for shorter time (SVI)

Real Time PCR (POLYMERASE CHAIN REACTION)
This equipment will complete the laboratory for GMO identification. By procurement of Real Time PCR equipment SAFI will have the opportunity to make quantitative analysis of transgenic DNA which are required by the legislation.

* SVI – State Veterinary Institute (laboratories under the State Veterinary Administration)

* SAFI – Slovak Agriculture and Food Inspection

* FRI – Food Research Institute

Detailed technical specification will be elaborated based on the needs assessment analysis – activity 2.4.1.

The technical specification and the price calculation for IT technology (National Contact Point for RASFF) have been prepared by the National Centre for the Assessment of Contaminants in Food Chain by the Food Research Institute in Bratislava. This Centre
collects and summarizes the results of foodstuffs control and other parts of food chain. It is supposed that the Food Research Institute (under the MoA SR) as a National Centre for the Assessment of contaminants will be transformed and technically supported by the project as a National Contact Point for Rapid Alert System for foodstuffs (RASFF). The detailed information about the current role of the Centre and the strategy for the establishment of the National Contact Point for RASFF in SR are presented in Food Safety Strategy of the Slovak Republic, which was submitted to the EC on 17th April 2001.

IT Equipment for support of the RASFF

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**Overall Total: 900,000 EUR**

The detailed technical specification will be elaborated after the analysis made by the short-term EU expert for information technology within the pilot project for the RASFF (activity 2.3.2).

In the current database (dbf) more than 1,5 GB data is collected. With regard to the application of the EU Directive (Commission Directive 92/59/EEC on general product safety) the capacity of the information system should be increased to ensure the rapid information about risk products on the market and also by using of available data - for the purpose to trace the origin of risk (traceability principle).

The equipment required must be in compliance with Phare eligibility criteria of origin.
Technical specification of the equipment procured through national co-financing of foodstuffs control bodies:

In line with para 2.3.1. the Pilot project for application of RASFF in the workplaces dealing with official control of foodstuffs will be prepared by the IT short-term expert as follows:

Assessment of the technical capacity (IT - information technology) in selected regional and district workplaces dealing with official control of foodstuffs will be carried out and a proposal for their technical improvement will be prepared.

Through co-financing the IT in SVA, regional veterinary administrations (8 workplaces), district veterinary administrations (40 workplaces) and 1 Central Inspectorate and 8 regional inspectorates of SAFI will be procured.

The national funds will be also used for reconstruction of the National Contact Point for RASFF by FRI.

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