

<i>Contents</i>	
Croatia remains free from foot and mouth disease	55
Portugal is free from African swine fever	55

CROATIA REMAINS FREE FROM FOOT AND MOUTH DISEASE

Text of a fax received on 6 April 1993 from Dr T. Petrak, Director of the Veterinary Directorate, Ministry of Agriculture and Forestry, Zagreb:

At present, foot and mouth disease is not suspected in Croatia. Croatia has been free from foot and mouth disease since 1978, and vaccination against the disease was suspended in 1985.

To protect the status of the Croatian territory with regard to the foot and mouth disease epizootics existing in Italy, stringent sanitary measures are being applied at the borders.

*
* *

PORTUGAL IS FREE FROM AFRICAN SWINE FEVER

Translation of the text of a communication received on 8 April 1993 from Dr J.M. Machado Gouveia, Director general of Animal Husbandry Department, Ministry of Agriculture, Lisbon:

Considering that

- Portugal now meets all the conditions relating to African swine fever laid down in Article 2 of Chapter 2.1.12. of the *International Animal Health Code* in order to be considered free from this disease;
- Portuguese regulations stipulate the total slaughter of any herd in which a case of African swine fever is clinically or serologically diagnosed;
- during the last three years, a considerable effort has been made to ensure that the entire swine population of Portugal is serologically monitored;
- under the terms of a statement issued on 10 March 1993 by the Permanent Veterinary Committee of the EEC, Portugal was recognised as being free from African swine fever, and the lifting of restrictions, with effect from 1 April 1993, on trade in live swine, fresh pig meat and pig meat products from Portugal to other EEC Member States;

Portugal shall be recognised as being free from African swine fever by all OIE Member Countries.

*
* *