

WRITTEN QUESTION P-5629/06
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to the Commission

Subject: Horse passport

Currently, there are three Directives (90/425/EEC¹, 90/426/EEC² and 90/427/EEC³) on non-discriminatory veterinary checks in intra-community trade, on animal health conditions governing the movement and import from third countries of equidae and on the zootechnical and genealogical conditions governing intra-Community trade in equidae. There also are two Commission Decisions (93/623/EEC⁴ and 2000/68/EC⁵) respectively establishing the identification document (passport) accompanying registered equidae and setting out the requirements for this identification document (to be issued by the veterinary surgeon to clearly identify the animal and to certify health requirements).

The Commission announced in March of this year that it was preparing a new regulation which would recast Community provisions on the identification document (passport) accompanying registered equidae.

Can the Commission say what the current state of play is as regards the recasting of these texts? Does this recasting merely represent a formal consolidation of the texts or will there be substantive amendment of current legislation?

¹ OJ L 224, 18.8.1990, p. 29.

² OJ L 224, 18.8.1990, p. 42.

³ OJ L 224, 18.8.1990, p. 55.

⁴ OJ L 298, 3.12.1993, p. 45.

⁵ OJ L 23, 28.1.2000, p. 72.