

Whereas, pursuant to point {b} of Article 11 {4} of Directive 91/493/EEC, a mark should be affixed to packages of fishery products, giving the name of the third country and the approval number of the establishment of origin; Whereas, pursuant to point {c} of Article 11 {4} of Directive 91/493/EEC, a list of approved establishments must be drawn up; whereas that list must be drawn up on the basis of a communication from the Department of Fisheries and Oceans to the Commission; whereas it is therefore for the Department of Fisheries and Oceans to ensure compliance with the provisions laid down to that end in Article 11 {4} of Directive 91/493/EEC;

Whereas the Department of Fisheries and Oceans has provided official assurances regarding compliance with the rules set out in Chapter V of the Annex to Directive 91/493/EEC and regarding fulfilment of requirements equivalent to those laid down by that Directive for the approval of establishments; Whereas the measures provided for in this Decision are in accordance with the opinion of the Standing Veterinary Committee,

HAS ADOPTED THIS DECISION:

Article 1

The Inspection Directorate of the Department of Fisheries and Oceans shall be the competent authority in Canada for verifying and certifying compliance of fishery products with the requirements of Directive 91/493/EEC.

Article 2

Fishery products originating in Canada must meet the following conditions:

1. each consignment must be accompanied by a numbered original health certificate, duly completed, signed, dated and comprising a single sheet in accordance with the model set out in Annex A hereto;
2. the products must come from approved establishments listed in Annex B hereto;
3. except in the case of frozen fishery products in bulk and intended for the manufacture of preserved foods, all packages must bear the word 'Canada' and the approval number of the establishment of origin in indelible letters.

Article 3

1. The certificates referred to in point 1 of Article 2 must be drawn up in at least one official language of the Member State where the checks are carried out.
2. The certificates must bear the name, capacity and signature of the representative of the Department of Fisheries and Oceans and the latter's official stamp in a colour different from that of the other indications on the certificate.

Article 4

This Decision shall apply from 1 October 1993.

Article 5

This Decision is addressed to the Member States. Done at Brussels, 26 July 1993.