

S.I. No. 59 of 2000.

European Communities (Introduction of Organisms Harmful to Plants or Plant Products) (Prohibition) (Amendment) Regulations, 2000.

I, Joe Walsh, Minister for Agriculture, Food and Rural Development, in exercise of the powers conferred on me by Section 3 of the European Communities Act, 1972 (No. 27 of 1972) and for the purpose of giving effect to Commission Decision 1999/842/EC of 30 November 1999⁽¹⁾ hereby make the following Regulations:

⁽¹⁾ O.J.L. 326 of 18.12.1999

1. (1) These Regulations may be cited as the European Communities (Introduction of Organisms Harmful to Plants or Plant Products) (Prohibition) (Amendment) Regulations, 2000.

(2) The European Communities (Introduction of Organisms Harmful to Plants or Plant Products) (Prohibition) Regulations, 1980 to 1999 and these Regulations may be cited together as the European Communities (Introduction of Organisms Harmful to Plants or Plant Products) (Prohibition) Regulations, 1980 to 2000.

2. In these Regulations "the Principal Regulations" means the European Communities (Introduction of Organisms Harmful to Plants or Plant Products) (Prohibition) Regulations, 1980 (S.I. No. 125 of 1980).

3. Regulation 11 of the Principal Regulations is hereby amended by the substitution for paragraph (2A) (inserted by Regulation 4 of the European Communities (Introduction of Organisms Harmful to Plants or Plant Products) (Prohibition) (Amendment) (No. 4) Regulations, 1998 (S.I.No. 398 of 1998)) of the following paragraph:

"(2A) (a) A person shall not introduce into the State or move within the State, tubers of *Solanum tuberosum* L., other than those intended for planting, originating in Egypt unless they comply with the conditions of Article 1 of Commission Decision No. 1999/842/EC of 30 November 1999.

(b) The requirements of this paragraph are in addition to and not in substitution for the requirements of paragraphs (1) and (2) of this Regulation."

Given under my Official Seal

this 29th day of February 2000.

Joe Walsh,



Minister for Agriculture, Food and Rural Development.

EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This note is not part of the Instrument and does not purport to be a legal interpretation.)

These Regulations implement the provisions of Commission Decision 1999/842/EC which strengthens existing controls relating to the import of ware potatoes from Egypt.