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Subject: Animal Health info in EC and confirmation
of classical swine fever in feral pig in Austria

Dear Dr. Torres:

Please find enclosed the following information we received from the Directorate General
SANCO, European Commission:

- Confirmation of classical swine fever in a feral pig in Austria;
- Animal health info in EC

We hope to have been of assistance to you.

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Message:

- (1) An outbreak of classical swine fever was notified yesterday in Austria in a wild boar near the border with Slovakia.
- (2) Due to the confirmation of outbreak Nr. 16 of classical swine fever in the UK (outbreak within an existing protection zone), the restrictions established by Commission decision have been extended until 20/12.
- (3) Please find attached hereto, for your information, the follow-up report of FMD and blue tongue in Greece.

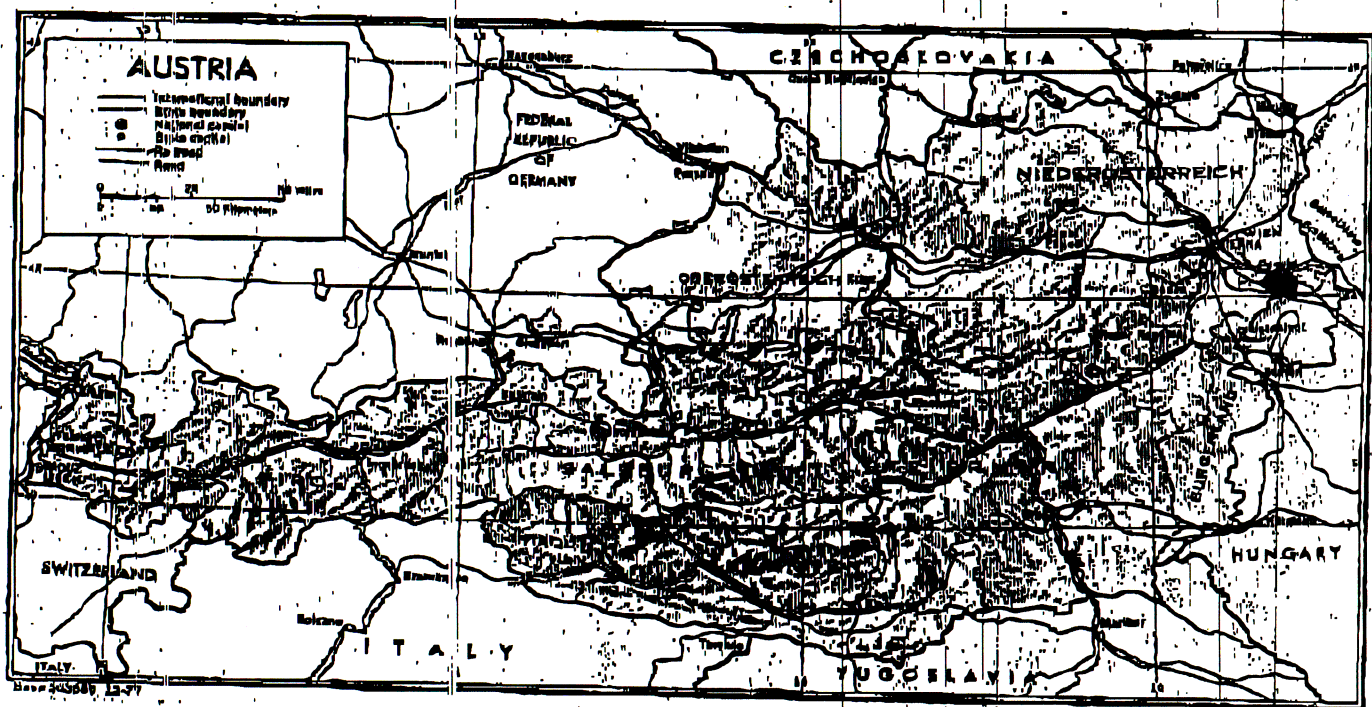
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Confirmation of classical swine fever in a feral pig in Austria, District Gänserndorf

On 7 November 2000 classical swine fever (CSF) has been confirmed in Austria in a young feral pig (wild boar), which on 5 November had been found dead in the National Park of Donau-auen, south-east of Vienna. The infected feral pig has been found at about 15 km from the border with Slovakia, where CSF has been constantly reported in the feral pig population in recent years.

In the attached map of Austria the approximate location of the area concerned is indicated with a black spot.



In accordance with Community legislation on CSF, a number of disease control measures are being adopted by the Austrian veterinary authorities, including:

- establishment of an expert group charged to draw up a disease eradication plan;
- standstill of pigs in the two domestic pig holdings located within the area of 10 Km around the place where the CSF infected feral pig has been found. Clinical and serological controls of the pigs in these holdings are also being carried out;
- reduction of the feral pig meta-population living in the area concerned (about 15 sqkm). This area is being fenced in order to avoid spread of potentially infected feral pigs to other areas.