

## COMMISSION IMPLEMENTING DECISION

of 23 March 2012

amending Decision 2006/133/EC requiring Member States temporarily to take additional measures against the dissemination of *Bursaphelenchus xylophilus* (Steiner et Buhner) Nickle et al. (the pine wood nematode) as regards areas in Portugal, other than those in which it is known not to occur

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(2012/175/EU)

THE EUROPEAN COMMISSION,

HAS ADOPTED THIS DECISION:

Having regard to the Treaty on the Functioning of the European Union,

*Article 1*

Having regard to Council Directive 2000/29/EC of 8 May 2000 on protective measures against the introduction into the Community of organisms harmful to plants or plant products and against their spread within the Community <sup>(1)</sup>, and in particular the fourth sentence of Article 16(3) thereof,

Article 2 of Decision 2006/133/EC is amended as follows:

1. in the first paragraph, the words '31 March 2012' are replaced by '31 October 2012';
2. in the third paragraph, the words '31 March 2012' are replaced by '31 October 2012'.

Whereas:

- (1) Commission Decision 2006/133/EC <sup>(2)</sup> lays down certain protective measures to be applied until 31 March 2012.
- (2) Decision 2006/133/EC should continue to apply for a period allowing an adequate revision of the measures it provides for.
- (3) Decision 2006/133/EC should therefore be amended accordingly.
- (4) The measures provided for in this Decision are in accordance with the opinion of the Standing Committee on Plant Health,

*Article 2*

This Decision is addressed to the Member States.

Done at Brussels, 23 March 2012.

*For the Commission*  
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*Member of the Commission*

<sup>(1)</sup> OJ L 169, 10.7.2000, p. 1.

<sup>(2)</sup> OJ L 52, 23.2.2006, p. 34.