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(Acts whose publication is obligatory)

COUNCIL REGULATION (EC) No 1360/98**of 26 June 1998****fixing, for the 1998/1999 marketing year, certain sugar prices and the standard quality of beet**

THE COUNCIL OF THE EUROPEAN UNION,

Having regard to the Treaty establishing the European Community,

Having regard to Council Regulation (EEC) No 1785/81 of 30 June 1981 on the common organisation of the markets in the sugar sector ⁽¹⁾, and in particular Articles 2(3), 3(4) and 4(3) thereof,

Having regard to the proposal from the Commission ⁽²⁾,

Having regard to the opinion of the European Parliament ⁽³⁾,

Having regard to the opinion of the Economic and Social Committee ⁽⁴⁾,

Whereas, when sugar prices are fixed, account should be taken of the objectives of the common agricultural policy; whereas the objectives of the common agricultural policy are in particular to ensure a fair standard of living for the agricultural community, to assure the availability of supplies and ensure that they reach consumers at reasonable prices;

Whereas, in order to attain these objectives, the target price for sugar must be fixed at a level which, taking into account in particular the resultant level of the intervention price, ensures a fair remuneration for beet and sugar-cane producers while at the same time respecting consumers' interests, and which is likely to maintain the balance between the prices of the principal agricultural products;

Whereas, as a result of the characteristics of the sugar market, the risks involved in this trade are relatively slight; whereas, consequently, when the intervention price for sugar is being fixed, the difference between the target price and the intervention price may be fixed at a relatively low level;

Whereas the basic price for beet must take account of the intervention price, revenue to undertakings as a result of the sale of molasses, which can be valued at ECU 7,61 per 100 kilograms, that amount being derived from the molasses price referred to in Article 14(2) of Regulation (EEC) No 1785/81, the latter being valued at ECU 8,21 per 100 kilograms, and of the costs of processing and delivering the beet to factories and be based on an estimated Community yield of 130 kilograms of white sugar per tonne of beet with a 16 % sugar content,

HAS ADOPTED THIS REGULATION:

Article 1

1. The target price for white sugar shall be ECU 66,50 per 100 kilograms.
2. The intervention price for white sugar shall be ECU 63,19 per 100 kilograms for the non-deficit areas of the Community.

Article 2

The basic price applicable in the Community for beet shall be ECU 47,67 per tonne delivered at the collection centre.

Article 3

Standard quality beet shall:

- (a) be of sound, genuine and merchantable quality;
- (b) have a sugar content of 16 % at the reception point.

Article 4

This Regulation shall enter into force on the day following its publication in the *Official Journal of the European Communities*.

It shall be applicable for the 1998/1999 marketing year.

⁽¹⁾ OJ L 177, 1. 7. 1981, p. 4. Regulation as last amended by Regulation (EC) No 1599/96 (OJ L 206, 16. 8. 1996, p. 43).

⁽²⁾ OJ C 87, 23. 3. 1998, p. 5.

⁽³⁾ Opinion delivered on 16 June 1998 (not yet published in the Official Journal).

⁽⁴⁾ Opinion delivered on 29 April 1998 (not yet published in the Official Journal).

This Regulation shall be binding in its entirety and directly applicable in all Member States.

Done at Luxembourg, 26 June 1998.

For the Council
The President
J. CUNNINGHAM

COUNCIL REGULATION (EC) No 1361/98

of 26 June 1998

fixing, for the 1998/1999 marketing year, the derived intervention prices for white sugar, the intervention price for raw sugar, the minimum prices for A and B beet, and the amount of compensation for storage costs

THE COUNCIL OF THE EUROPEAN UNION,

Having regard to the Treaty establishing the European Community,

Having regard to Council Regulation (EEC) No 1785/81 of 30 June 1981 on the common organisation of the markets in the sugar sector⁽¹⁾, and in particular Article 3(5), Article 5(5) and Article 8(4) thereof,

Having regard to the proposal from the Commission⁽²⁾,

Whereas Council Regulation (EC) No 1360/98 of 26 June 1998 fixing, for the 1998/1999 marketing year, certain sugar prices and the standard quality of beet⁽³⁾, fixed the intervention price for white sugar at ECU 63,19 per 100 kilograms applicable for the non-deficit areas;

Whereas Article 3(1) of Regulation (EEC) No 1785/81 provides that derived intervention prices for white sugar are to be fixed for each of the deficit areas; whereas, for such fixing, it is appropriate that account be taken of the regional variations in the price of sugar, which, given a normal harvest and free movement of sugar, might be expected to occur in the price of sugar under natural conditions of price formation on the market;

Whereas a deficit supply situation is to be foreseen in the areas of production in Ireland, the United Kingdom, Spain, Portugal and Finland;

Whereas Article 3(5) of Regulation (EEC) No 1785/81 provides that an intervention price for raw sugar shall be fixed; whereas such price should be established on the basis of the intervention price for white sugar;

Whereas Regulation (EC) No 1360/98 fixed the basic price for beet at ECU 47,67 per tonne; whereas Article 5(2) of Regulation (EEC) No 1785/81 provides that the minimum price to be fixed for A beet shall be 98 % of the basic price of the beet and the minimum price to be fixed for B beet shall in principle be 68 % of the said basic price, without prejudice to Article 28(5) of that Regulation;

Whereas Article 5 of Council Regulation (EEC) No 1358/77 of 20 June 1977 laying down general rules for offsetting storage costs for sugar and repealing Regulation (EEC) No 750/68⁽⁴⁾ provides that the amount of repay-

ment in the context of the compensation for storage costs shall be fixed per month and per unit of weight, taking account of financing costs, insurance costs and specific storage costs; whereas, for financing costs, account should be taken of a 4,75 % interest rate,

HAS ADOPTED THIS REGULATION:

Article 1

For the deficit areas of the Community, the derived intervention price for white sugar shall be fixed, per 100 kilograms, at:

- (a) ECU 64,65 for all the areas in the United Kingdom;
- (b) ECU 64,65 for all the areas in Ireland;
- (c) ECU 64,65 for all the areas in Portugal;
- (d) ECU 64,65 for all the areas in Finland;
- (e) ECU 64,88 for all the areas in Spain.

Article 2

The intervention price of raw sugar shall be ECU 52,37 for 100 kilograms.

Article 3

1. The minimum price for A beet applicable in the Community shall be ECU 46,72 per tonne.
2. Subject to Article 28(5) of Regulation (EEC) No 1785/81, the minimum price for B beet applicable in the Community shall be ECU 32,42 per tonne.

Article 4

The amount of the reimbursement referred to in Article 8 of Regulation (EEC) No 1785/81 shall be ECU 0,38 per month per 100 kilograms of white sugar.

Article 5

This Regulation shall enter into force on the day following its publication in the *Official Journal of the European Communities*.

It shall apply for the 1998/1999 marketing year.

⁽¹⁾ OJ L 177, 1. 7. 1981, p. 4. Regulation as last amended by Regulation (EC) No 1599/96 (OJ L 206, 16. 8. 1996, p. 43).

⁽²⁾ OJ C 87, 23. 3. 1998, p. 7.

⁽³⁾ See page 1 of this Official Journal.

⁽⁴⁾ OJ L 156, 25. 6. 1977, p. 4. Regulation as last amended by Regulation (EEC) No 3042/78 (OJ L 361, 23. 12. 1978, p. 8).

This Regulation shall be binding in its entirety and directly applicable in all Member States.

Done at Luxembourg, 26 June 1998.

For the Council
The President
J. CUNNINGHAM

COUNCIL REGULATION (EC) No 1362/98**of 26 June 1998****fixing the amount of aid in respect of silkworms for the 1998/1999 rearing year**

THE COUNCIL OF THE EUROPEAN UNION,

Having regard to the Treaty establishing the European Community,

Having regard to Council Regulation (EEC) No 845/72 of 24 April 1972 laying down special measures to encourage silkworm rearing ⁽¹⁾, and in particular Article 2(3) thereof,

Having regard to the proposal from the Commission ⁽²⁾,

Having regard to the opinion of the European Parliament ⁽³⁾,

Having regard to the opinion of the Economic and Social Committee ⁽⁴⁾,

Whereas Article 2 of Regulation (EEC) No 845/72 provides that the amount of aid for silkworms reared within the Community must be fixed each year in such a way as to help ensure a fair income for silkworm rearers, taking into account the state of the market in cocoons and raw silk, of foreseeable trends on that market and of import policy;

Whereas application of the abovementioned criteria entails fixing the amount of aid at the level mentioned below,

HAS ADOPTED THIS REGULATION:

Article 1

For the 1998/1999 rearing year, the amount of aid in respect of silkworms as referred to in Article 2 of Regulation (EEC) No 845/72 shall be fixed at ECU 133,26 per box of silkworm eggs used.

Article 2

This Regulation shall enter into force on the day following its publication in the *Official Journal of the European Communities*.

It shall apply from 1 April 1998.

This Regulation shall be binding in its entirety and directly applicable in all Member States.

Done at Luxembourg, 26 June 1998.

For the Council

The President

J. CUNNINGHAM

⁽¹⁾ OJ L 100, 27. 4. 1972, p. 1. Regulation as last amended by Regulation (EEC) No 2059/92 (OJ L 215, 30. 7. 1992, p. 19).

⁽²⁾ OJ C 87, 23. 3. 1998, p. 11.

⁽³⁾ Opinion delivered on 16 June 1998 (not yet published in the Official Journal).

⁽⁴⁾ Opinion delivered on 29 April 1998 (not yet published in the Official Journal).

COUNCIL REGULATION (EC) No 1363/98

of 26 June 1998

fixing the target price for milk and the intervention prices for butter and skimmed-milk powder for the 1998/1999 milk marketing year

THE COUNCIL OF THE EUROPEAN UNION,

Having regard to the Treaty establishing the European Community,

Having regard to Council Regulation (EEC) No 804/68 of 27 June 1968 on the common organisation of the market in milk and milk products⁽¹⁾, and in particular Articles 3(4) and 5 thereof,

Having regard to the proposal from the Commission⁽²⁾,

Having regard to the opinion of the European Parliament⁽³⁾,

Having regard to the opinion of the Economic and Social Committee⁽⁴⁾,

Whereas, when fixing the common agricultural prices each year, account should be taken of the objectives of the common agricultural policy; whereas the objectives of the common agricultural policy are in particular to secure a fair standard of living for the agricultural community and to ensure that supplies are available and that they reach the consumers at reasonable prices;

Whereas the target price for milk should bear a balanced relationship to the prices for other agricultural products and in particular to the prices for beef and veal, and be consistent with the desired general pattern of cattle farming; whereas it is also necessary, in fixing that price, to take account of the Community's efforts to establish a long-term balance between supply and demand on the milk market, allowing for external trade in milk and milk products;

Whereas the intervention prices for butter and for skimmed-milk powder are intended to contribute to the achievement of the target price for milk; whereas it is necessary to determine price levels in the light of the overall supply-and-demand situation on the Community market in milk and the opportunities for disposal of butter and skimmed-milk powder on the Community and world markets,

HAS ADOPTED THIS REGULATION:

Article 1

For the 1998/1999 milk marketing year the target price for milk and the intervention prices for milk products shall be as follows:

<i>(ECU per 100 kg)</i>	
(a) Target price for milk	30,98
(b) Intervention prices:	
— butter	328,20
— skimmed-milk powder	205,52

Article 2

This Regulation shall enter into force on the day following that of its publication in the *Official Journal of the European Communities*.

It shall apply from 1 July 1998.

This Regulation shall be binding in its entirety and directly applicable in all Member States.

Done at Luxembourg, 26 June 1998.

For the Council

The President

J. CUNNINGHAM

⁽¹⁾ OJ L 148, 28. 6. 1968, p. 13. Regulation as last amended by Regulation (EC) No 1587/96 (OJ L 206, 16. 8. 1996, p. 21).

⁽²⁾ OJ C 87, 23. 3. 1998, p. 20.

⁽³⁾ Opinion delivered on 16 June 1998 (not yet published in the Official Journal).

⁽⁴⁾ Opinion delivered on 29 April 1998 (not yet published in the Official Journal).

COUNCIL REGULATION (EC) No 1364/98
of 26 June 1998

fixing, for the 1998/1999 marketing year, the intervention price for adult bovine animals

THE COUNCIL OF THE EUROPEAN UNION,

Having regard to the Treaty establishing the European Community,

Having regard to Council Regulation (EEC) No 805/68 of 27 June 1968 on the common organisation of the market in beef and veal ⁽¹⁾, and in particular the second subparagraph of Article 6(2) thereof,

Having regard to the proposal from the Commission ⁽²⁾,

Having regard to the opinion of the European Parliament ⁽³⁾,

Having regard to the opinion of the Economic and Social Committee ⁽⁴⁾,

Whereas, when fixing the common agricultural prices each year, account should be taken of the objectives of the common agricultural policy; whereas the objectives of the common agricultural policy are in particular to guarantee a fair standard of living for the agricultural community and to ensure that supplies are available and that they reach consumers at reasonable prices; whereas these

factors result in the intervention price fixed for the period 1 July 1997 to 30 June 1998 by Council Regulation (EC) No 1191/97 of 25 June 1997 fixing, for the 1997/1998 marketing year, the intervention price for adult bovine animals ⁽⁵⁾, being retained for the 1998/1999 marketing year,

HAS ADOPTED THIS REGULATION:

Article 1

For the 1998/1999 marketing year, the intervention price for carcasses of male animals in category R 3 of the Community scale for the classification of carcasses of adult bovine animals laid down in Regulation (EEC) No 1208/81 ⁽⁶⁾ shall be ECU 347,5 per 100 kilograms deadweight.

Article 2

This Regulation shall enter into force on the day following its publication in the *Official Journal of the European Communities*.

This Regulation shall be binding in its entirety and directly applicable in all Member States.

Done at Luxembourg, 26 June 1998.

For the Council

The President

J. CUNNINGHAM

⁽¹⁾ OJ L 148, 28. 6. 1968, p. 24. Regulation as last amended by Regulation (EC) No 2222/96 (OJ L 296, 21. 11. 1996, p. 50).

⁽²⁾ OJ C 87, 23. 3. 1998, p. 22.

⁽³⁾ Opinion delivered on 16 June 1998 (not yet published in the Official Journal).

⁽⁴⁾ Opinion delivered on 29 April 1998 (not yet published in the Official Journal).

⁽⁵⁾ OJ L 170, 28. 6. 1997, p. 7.

⁽⁶⁾ OJ L 123, 7. 5. 1981, p. 3. Regulation as last amended by Regulation (EEC) No 1026/91 (OJ L 106, 26. 4. 1991, p. 2).

COUNCIL REGULATION (EC) No 1365/98**of 26 June 1998****fixing the basic price and the standard quality for pig carcasses for the period
1 July 1998 to 30 June 1999**

THE COUNCIL OF THE EUROPEAN UNION,

Having regard to the Treaty establishing the European Community,

Having regard to Council Regulation (EEC) No 2759/75 of 29 October 1975 on the common organisation of the market in pigmeat⁽¹⁾, and in particular Article 4(4) thereof,

Having regard to the proposal from the Commission⁽²⁾,

Having regard to the opinion of the European Parliament⁽³⁾,

Having regard to the opinion of the Economic and Social Committee⁽⁴⁾,

Whereas, when the basic price for slaughtered pigs is fixed, account should be taken of the objectives of the common agricultural policy; whereas the objectives of the common agricultural policy are in particular to ensure a fair standard of living for the agricultural community, to ensure that supplies are available and that they reach consumers at reasonable prices;

Whereas the basic price must be fixed in accordance with the criteria laid down in Article 4(1) of Regulation (EEC) No 2759/75 for a standard quality defined by reference to Council Regulation (EEC) No 3220/84 of 13 November

1984 determining the Community scale for grading pig carcasses⁽⁵⁾,

HAS ADOPTED THIS REGULATION:

Article 1

For the period 1 July 1998 to 30 June 1999, the basic price for slaughtered pigs of the standard quality shall be ECU 1 509,39 per tonne.

Article 2

The standard quality shall be defined in terms of carcase weight and lean meat content, determined in accordance with Article 2(2) and (3) of Regulation (EEC) No 3220/84, as follows:

- (a) carcasses weighing 60 to less than 120 kg: grade E;
- (b) carcasses weighing 120 to 180 kg: grade R.

Article 3

This Regulation shall enter into force on the day following its publication in the *Official Journal of the European Communities*.

It shall apply from 1 July 1998.

This Regulation shall be binding in its entirety and directly applicable in all Member States.

Done at Luxembourg, 26 June 1998.

For the Council

The President

J. CUNNINGHAM

⁽¹⁾ OJ L 282, 1. 11. 1975, p. 1. Regulation as last amended by Regulation (EC) No 3290/94 (OJ L 349, 31. 12. 1994, p. 105) and by the 1994 Act of Accession.

⁽²⁾ OJ C 87, 23. 3. 1998, p. 26.

⁽³⁾ Opinion delivered on 16 June 1998 (not yet published in the Official Journal).

⁽⁴⁾ Opinion delivered on 29 April 1998 (not yet published in the Official Journal).

⁽⁵⁾ OJ L 301, 20. 11. 1984, p. 1. Regulation as last amended by Regulation (EC) No 3513/93 (OJ L 320, 22. 12. 1993, p. 5).

COMMISSION REGULATION (EC) No 1366/98
of 29 June 1998
establishing the standard import values for determining the entry price of certain
fruit and vegetables

THE COMMISSION OF THE EUROPEAN COMMUNITIES,
Having regard to the Treaty establishing the European Community,

Having regard to Commission Regulation (EC) No 3223/94 of 21 December 1994 on detailed rules for the application of the import arrangements for fruit and vegetables ⁽¹⁾, as last amended by Regulation (EC) No 2375/96 ⁽²⁾, and in particular Article 4 (1) thereof,

Having regard to Council Regulation (EEC) No 3813/92 of 28 December 1992 on the unit of account and the conversion rates to be applied for the purposes of the common agricultural policy ⁽³⁾, as last amended by Regulation (EC) No 150/95 ⁽⁴⁾, and in particular Article 3 (3) thereof,

Whereas Regulation (EC) No 3223/94 lays down, pursuant to the outcome of the Uruguay Round multilateral trade negotiations, the criteria whereby the Commis-

sion fixes the standard values for imports from third countries, in respect of the products and periods stipulated in the Annex thereto;

Whereas, in compliance with the above criteria, the standard import values must be fixed at the levels set out in the Annex to this Regulation,

HAS ADOPTED THIS REGULATION:

Article 1

The standard import values referred to in Article 4 of Regulation (EC) No 3223/94 shall be fixed as indicated in the Annex hereto.

Article 2

This Regulation shall enter into force on 30 June 1998.

This Regulation shall be binding in its entirety and directly applicable in all Member States.

Done at Brussels, 29 June 1998.

For the Commission

Franz FISCHLER

Member of the Commission

⁽¹⁾ OJ L 337, 24. 12. 1994, p. 66.

⁽²⁾ OJ L 325, 14. 12. 1996, p. 5.

⁽³⁾ OJ L 387, 31. 12. 1992, p. 1.

⁽⁴⁾ OJ L 22, 31. 1. 1995, p. 1.

ANNEX

to the Commission Regulation of 29 June 1998 establishing the standard import values for determining the entry price of certain fruit and vegetables

(ECU/100 kg)

CN code	Third country code ⁽¹⁾	Standard import value
0702 00 00	052	47,7
	628	39,5
	999	43,6
0707 00 05	052	70,6
	999	70,6
0709 90 70	052	53,0
	628	98,7
	999	75,8
0805 30 10	382	61,0
	388	64,1
	524	57,0
	528	62,1
	999	61,0
0808 10 20, 0808 10 50, 0808 10 90	388	61,6
	400	69,4
	404	99,8
	508	111,9
	512	71,0
	524	54,8
	528	65,5
	720	165,6
	804	108,5
	999	89,8
0809 10 00	052	155,7
	999	155,7
0809 20 95	052	273,9
	060	148,5
	064	128,5
	068	119,1
	400	272,7
	616	201,6
	999	190,7
0809 40 05	624	278,2
	999	278,2

⁽¹⁾ Country nomenclature as fixed by Commission Regulation (EC) No 2317/97 (OJ L 321, 22. 11. 1997, p. 19). Code '999' stands for 'of other origin'.

COMMISSION REGULATION (EC) No 1367/98

of 29 June 1998

amending Regulation (EEC) No 94/92 of 14 January 1992 laying down detailed rules for implementing the arrangements for imports from third countries provided for in Council Regulation (EEC) No 2092/91

(Text with EEA relevance)

THE COMMISSION OF THE EUROPEAN COMMUNITIES,
Having regard to the Treaty establishing the European Community,

Having regard to Council Regulation (EEC) No 2092/91 of 24 June 1991 on organic production of agricultural products and indications referring thereto on agricultural products and foodstuffs ⁽¹⁾, as last amended by Commission Regulation (EC) No 1488/97 ⁽²⁾, and in particular Article 11 thereof,

Whereas Article 11(1) of Regulation (EEC) No 2092/91 stipulates that products which are imported from a third country may be marketed only where they originate from a third country appearing in a list drawn up in accordance with the conditions laid down in paragraph 2 of that Article; whereas such list has been laid down in the Annex to Commission Regulation (EEC) No 94/92 ⁽³⁾, as last amended by Regulation (EC) No 314/97 ⁽⁴⁾;

Whereas Regulation (EC) No 314/97 has included Hungary and Switzerland in the list referred to by Article 11(1) to Regulation (EC) No 2092/91 for a period expiring on 30 June 1998, in order to examine in detail during this period certain aspects concerning the implementation in those countries of rules equivalent to those laid down in Regulation (EC) No 2092/91;

Whereas the effective implementation in Hungary of rules equivalent to those laid down in Regulation (EEC) No 2092/91 has been confirmed during an on-the-spot examination carried out by the Commission;

Whereas Switzerland has authorised a new inspection body that will carry out the inspections required under the Swiss order on organic farming;

Whereas for the operation of the Regime, for each third country the bodies in charge of issuing the certificate of inspection referred to in Article 11(1)(b) of Regulation (EEC) No 2092/91 have to be identified;

Whereas Australia has communicated changes in its inspection regime; whereas the inspections of operators in Australia are now made by private inspection bodies, supervised by a public authority;

Whereas Israel has confirmed that inspection and certification of organic products will be carried out by the Ministry of Agriculture;

Whereas the examination of the information submitted by the above third countries has led to the conclusion that the requirements are equivalent to those resulting from the Community legislation;

Whereas the measures provided for in this Regulation are in accordance with the opinion of the Committee referred to in Article 14 of Regulation (EEC) No 2092/91,

HAS ADOPTED THIS REGULATION:

Article 1

The Annex to Regulation (EEC) No 94/92 is hereby amended as shown in the Annex to this Regulation.

Article 2

This Regulation shall enter into force on 1 July 1998.

This Regulation shall be binding in its entirety and directly applicable in all Member States.

Done at Brussels, 29 June 1998.

For the Commission

Franz FISCHLER

Member of the Commission

⁽¹⁾ OJ L 198, 22. 7. 1991, p. 1.

⁽²⁾ OJ L 202, 30. 7. 1997, p. 12.

⁽³⁾ OJ L 11, 17. 1. 1992, p. 14.

⁽⁴⁾ OJ L 51, 21. 2. 1997, p. 34.

ANNEX

1. Paragraphs 3 and 4 of the text referring to Australia are replaced by the following:
 - '3. Inspection bodies:
 - Australian Quarantine Inspection Service (AQIS)
 - Bio-dynamic Research Institute (BDRI)
 - Biological Farmers of Australia (BFA)
 - Organic Vignerons Association of Australia Inc. (OVAA)
 - Organic Herb Growers of Australia Inc. (OHGA)
 - National Association of Sustainable Agriculture, Australia (NASAA)
 4. Certificate issuing bodies: as at 3.'
 2. Paragraph 5 of the text referring to Hungary is replaced by the following:
 - '5. Duration of the inclusion: 30.6.2000.'
 3. Paragraphs 3 and 4 of the text referring to Israel are replaced by the following:
 - '3. Inspection authority: Ministry of Agriculture.
 4. Certificate issuing authority: as at 3.'
 4. Paragraphs 1, 3, 4 and 5 of the text referring to Switzerland are replaced by the following:
 - '1. Product categories:
 - (a) unprocessed crop products within the meaning of Article 1(1)(a) of Regulation (EEC) No 2092/91, with the exception of products produced during the conversion period, as referred to in Article 5(5) of that Regulation;
 - (b) foodstuffs composed essentially of one or more ingredients of plant origin within the meaning of Article 1(1)(b) of Regulation (EEC) No 2092/91, with the exception of products, as referred to in Article 5(5) of that Regulation, containing an ingredient of agricultural origin produced during the conversion period.'
 - '3. "Vereinigung Schweizerischer Biologischer Landbauorganisationen" (VSBLO), "Institut für Marktökologie" (IMO), "Forschungsinstitut für Biologischen Landbau" (FiBL) and "Association Suisse pour Systèmes de Qualité et Management" (SQS).
 4. Certificate issuing bodies: as at 3.
 5. Duration of the inclusion: 31.12.2002.'
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COMMISSION REGULATION (EC) No 1368/98
of 29 June 1998
amending Regulation (EEC) No 1164/89 laying down detailed rules concerning
the aid for fibre flax and hemp

THE COMMISSION OF THE EUROPEAN COMMUNITIES,
Having regard to the Treaty establishing the European Community,

Having regard to Council Regulation (EEC) No 1308/70 of 29 June 1970 on the common organisation of the market in flax and hemp ⁽¹⁾, as last amended by the Act of Accession of Austria, Finland and Sweden and by Regulation (EC) No 3290/94 ⁽²⁾, and in particular Article 4(5) thereof,

Having regard to Council Regulation (EEC) No 619/71 of 22 March 1971 laying down general rules for granting aid for flax and hemp ⁽³⁾, as last amended by Regulation (EC) No 154/97 ⁽⁴⁾, and in particular Article 5(2) thereof,

Whereas Annex A to Commission Regulation (EEC) No 1164/89 ⁽⁵⁾, as last amended by Regulation (EC) No 605/98 ⁽⁶⁾, contains a list of varieties of flax grown mainly for fibre; whereas certain new varieties of flax grown mainly for fibre have been included in the Common Seed Cata-

logue; whereas Annex A to Regulation (EEC) No 1164/89 should therefore be amended accordingly;

Whereas the measures provided for in this Regulation are in accordance with the opinion of the Management Committee for Flax and Hemp,

HAS ADOPTED THIS REGULATION:

Article 1

The varieties 'Liflax', 'Liviola', 'Marylin' and 'Venus' are hereby added to Annex A to Regulation (EEC) No 1164/89.

Article 2

This Regulation shall enter into force on the seventh day following its publication in the *Official Journal of the European Communities*.

This Regulation shall be binding in its entirety and directly applicable in all Member States.

Done at Brussels, 29 June 1998.

For the Commission

Franz FISCHLER

Member of the Commission

⁽¹⁾ OJ L 146, 4. 7. 1970, p. 1.

⁽²⁾ OJ L 349, 31. 12. 1994, p. 105.

⁽³⁾ OJ L 72, 26. 3. 1971, p. 2.

⁽⁴⁾ OJ L 27, 30. 1. 1997, p. 1.

⁽⁵⁾ OJ L 121, 29. 4. 1989, p. 4.

⁽⁶⁾ OJ L 80, 18. 3. 1998, p. 21.

COMMISSION REGULATION (EC) No 1369/98

of 29 June 1998

amending Regulation (EEC) No 904/90 laying down detailed rules for the application of the arrangements applicable to imports of certain pigmeat products originating in the African, Caribbean and Pacific States (ACP) or in the overseas countries and territories (OCT), in order to implement the Agricultural Agreement concluded during the Uruguay Round of negotiations

THE COMMISSION OF THE EUROPEAN COMMUNITIES,
Having regard to the Treaty establishing the European Community,

Having regard to Council Regulation (EC) No 3290/94 of 22 December 1994 on the adjustments and transitional arrangements required in the agriculture sector in order to implement agreements concluded during the Uruguay Round of multilateral trade negotiations ⁽¹⁾, as last amended by Regulation (EC) No 1340/98 ⁽²⁾, and in particular Article 3(1) thereof,

Whereas, in order to take account of existing import arrangements in the pigmeat sector and those resulting from the Agricultural Agreement concluded during the Uruguay Round of multilateral trade negotiations, transitional measures are needed to adjust the preferential concessions in the form of exemption from the import duty for certain pigmeat products from the ACP States;

Whereas Commission Regulation (EEC) No 904/90 ⁽³⁾, as last amended by Regulation (EEC) No 1207/97 ⁽⁴⁾, lays down detailed rules for the application of preferential conditions in the form of a reduction in the import levy for pigmeat quotas; whereas, since the levies are being replaced by customs duties from 1 July 1995, transitional adjustments to these rules have been made;

Whereas the period for the adoption of transitional measures was extended until 30 June 1999 by Regulation (EC) No 3290/94; whereas the adjustments should be extended over the period concerned;

Whereas the measures provided for in this Regulation are in accordance with the opinion of the Management Committee for Pigmeat,

HAS ADOPTED THIS REGULATION:

Article 1

In Regulation (EEC) No 904/90 the word 'levy' is replaced by the words 'customs duty' each time that it appears.

Article 2

This Regulation shall enter into force on the day following its publication in the *Official Journal of the European Communities*.

It shall apply from 1 July 1998 to 30 June 1999.

This Regulation shall be binding in its entirety and directly applicable in all Member States.

Done at Brussels, 29 June 1998.

For the Commission

Franz FISCHLER

Member of the Commission

⁽¹⁾ OJ L 349, 31. 12. 1994, p. 105.

⁽²⁾ OJ L 184, 27. 6. 1998, p. 1.

⁽³⁾ OJ L 93, 10. 4. 1990, p. 23.

⁽⁴⁾ OJ L 170, 28. 6. 1997, p. 33.

COMMISSION REGULATION (EC) No 1370/98**of 29 June 1998****amending Regulation (EC) No 1251/96 opening and providing for the
administration of the tariff quotas in the poultrymeat sector**

THE COMMISSION OF THE EUROPEAN COMMUNITIES,

HAS ADOPTED THIS REGULATION:

Having regard to the Treaty establishing the European Community,

Having regard to Council Regulation (EC) No 1095/96 of 18 June 1996 on the implementation of the concessions set out in Schedule CXL drawn up in the wake of the conclusion of the GATT XXIV.6 negotiations⁽¹⁾, and in particular Article 1 thereof,

Whereas, in the framework of the World Trade Organization, the Community has undertaken to open tariff quotas for certain products in the poultrymeat sector; whereas as a result, detailed rules for the application of those quotas for the period 1 July 1998 to 30 June 1999 should be laid down;

Whereas Commission Regulation (EC) No 1251/96⁽²⁾, as last amended by Regulation (EC) No 1514/97⁽³⁾, provides for the administration of those quotas for the period 1 July 1997 to 30 June 1998; whereas provision should be made for their administration for the period 1 July 1998 to 30 June 1999;

Whereas the measures provided for in this Regulation are in accordance with the opinion of the Management Committee for Poultrymeat and Eggs,

Article 1

Regulation (EC) No 1251/96 is hereby amended as follows:

1. Article 1 is replaced by the following:

'Article 1

For the period 1 July 1998 to 30 June 1999, the import tariff quotas listed in Annex I are opened for the product groups and under the conditions indicated therein.'

2. Annex I is replaced by the Annex to this Regulation.

Article 2

This Regulation shall enter into force on 1 July 1998.

This Regulation shall be binding in its entirety and directly applicable in all Member States.

Done at Brussels, 29 June 1998.

For the Commission

Franz FISCHLER

Member of the Commission

⁽¹⁾ OJ L 146, 20. 6. 1996, p. 1.

⁽²⁾ OJ L 161, 29. 6. 1996, p. 136.

⁽³⁾ OJ L 204, 31. 7. 1997, p. 16.

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<i>(tonnes)</i>			
Group No	CN code	Applicable duty (ECU/tonne)	Tariff quotas 1.7.1998 to 30.6.1999
P 1	0207 11 10	131	3 720
	0207 11 30	149	
	0207 11 90	162	
	0207 12 10	149	
	0207 12 90	162	
P 2	0207 13 10	512	2 400
	0207 13 20	179	
	0207 13 30	134	
	0207 13 40	93	
	0207 13 50	301	
	0207 13 60	231	
	0207 13 70	504	
	0207 14 20	179	
	0207 14 30	134	
	0207 14 40	93	
	0207 14 60	231	
P 3	0207 14 10	795	468
P 4	0207 24 10	170	600'
	0207 24 90	186	
	0207 25 10	170	
	0207 25 90	186	
	0207 26 10	425	
	0207 26 20	205	
	0207 26 30	134	
	0207 26 40	93	
	0207 26 50	339	
	0207 26 60	127	
	0207 26 70	230	
	0207 26 80	415	
	0207 27 30	134	
	0207 27 40	93	
	0207 27 50	339	
	0207 27 60	127	
	0207 27 70	230	

COMMISSION REGULATION (EC) No 1371/98
of 29 June 1998
amending Regulation (EC) No 1474/95 opening and providing for the
administration of the tariff quotas in the egg sector and for egg albumin

THE COMMISSION OF THE EUROPEAN COMMUNITIES,
Having regard to the Treaty establishing the European Community,

Having regard to Council Regulation (EC) No 1095/96 of 18 June 1996 on the implementation of the concessions set out in Schedule CXL drawn up in the wake of the conclusion of the GATT XXIV.6 negotiations⁽¹⁾, and in particular Article 1 thereof,

Whereas, in the framework of the World Trade Organization, the Community has undertaken to open tariff quotas for certain products in the egg sector and for egg albumin; whereas as a result, detailed rules for the application of those quotas for the period 1 July 1998 to 30 June 1999 should be laid down;

Whereas Commission Regulation (EC) No 1474/95⁽²⁾, as last amended by Regulation (EC) No 1514/97⁽³⁾, provides for the administration of those quotas for the period 1 July 1997 to 30 June 1998; whereas provision should be made for their administration for the period 1 July 1998 to 30 June 1999;

Whereas the measures provided for in this Regulation are in accordance with the opinion of the Management Committee for Poultrymeat and Eggs,

HAS ADOPTED THIS REGULATION:

Article 1

Regulation (EC) No 1474/95 is hereby amended as follows:

1. Article 1 is replaced by the following:

Article 1

For the period 1 July 1998 to 30 June 1999, the import tariff quotas listed in Annex I are opened for the product groups and under the conditions indicated therein.'

2. Annex I is replaced by the Annex to this Regulation.

Article 2

This Regulation shall enter into force on 1 July 1998.

This Regulation shall be binding in its entirety and directly applicable in all Member States.

Done at Brussels, 29 June 1998.

For the Commission

Franz FISCHLER

Member of the Commission

⁽¹⁾ OJ L 146, 20. 6. 1996, p. 1.

⁽²⁾ OJ L 145, 29. 6. 1995, p. 19.

⁽³⁾ OJ L 204, 31. 7. 1997, p. 16.

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(tonnes)

Group number	CN code	Duty applicable, ECU/tonne product weight	Tariff quotas (1. 7. 1998 to 30. 6. 1999)
E 1	0407 00 30	152	109 120
E 2	0408 11 80 0408 19 81 0408 19 89 0408 91 80 0408 99 80	711 310 331 687 176	6 642 ⁽¹⁾
E 3	3502 11 90 3502 19 90	617 83	12 390 ⁽¹⁾

⁽¹⁾ Shell egg equivalent. Conversion according to the rates of yield fixed in Annex 77 to Commission Regulation (EEC) 2454/93 (OJ L 253, 11. 10. 1993, p. 1).

COMMISSION REGULATION (EC) No 1372/98

of 29 June 1998

amending Regulation (EEC) No 2168/92 laying down detailed implementing rules for the specific measures for the Canary Islands with regard to seed potatoes (forecast supply balance)

THE COMMISSION OF THE EUROPEAN COMMUNITIES,

HAS ADOPTED THIS REGULATION:

Having regard to the Treaty establishing the European Community,

Article 1

Having regard to Council Regulation (EEC) No 1601/92 of 15 June 1992 concerning specific measures for the Canary Islands with regard to certain agricultural products ⁽¹⁾, as last amended by Regulation (EC) No 2348/96 ⁽²⁾, and in particular Article 3(4) thereof,

Regulation (EEC) No 2168/92 is hereby amended as follows:

1. Article 1 is replaced by the following:

'Article 1

Whereas, pursuant to Articles 2 and 3 of Regulation (EEC) No 1601/92, Commission Regulation (EEC) No 2168/92 ⁽³⁾, as last amended by Regulation (EC) No 1494/97 ⁽⁴⁾, sets the quantity in the forecast supply balance for the supply of seed potatoes to the Canary Islands for the 1997/98 marketing year; whereas the forecast supply balance for the 1998/99 marketing year should be established; whereas that supply balance must be established on the basis of the requirements of the Canary Islands and taking traditional trade patterns into account;

For the purposes of Articles 2 and 3 of Regulation (EEC) No 1601/92 the quantity in the forecast supply balance of seed potatoes covered by CN code 0701 10 00 qualifying for exemption from customs duty on imports into the Canary Islands or for Community aid for products coming from the rest of the Community shall be 12 000 tonnes for the period 1 July 1998 to 30 June 1999.';

2. Article 2 is replaced by the following:

'Article 2

Whereas, pursuant to Article 3(2) of Regulation (EEC) No 1601/92, aid for the supply of seed potatoes to the Canary Islands from the rest of the Community should be set for the 1998/99 marketing year at a level ensuring that seed potatoes are supplied under conditions which are equivalent for the end user to those resulting from the exemption from customs duties on imports of seed potatoes from third countries; whereas the aid must be set taking account in particular of the costs of supplying the products from the world market;

The aid provided for in Article 3(2) of Regulation (EEC) No 1601/92 for the supply of seed potatoes to the Canary Islands from the Community market in accordance with the forecast supply balance shall be ECU 4,226 per 100 kilograms.'

Article 2

Whereas the measures provided for in this Regulation are in accordance with the opinion of the Management Committee for Seeds,

This Regulation shall enter into force on the day of its publication in the *Official Journal of the European Communities*.

It shall apply from 1 July 1998.

This Regulation shall be binding in its entirety and directly applicable in all Member States.

Done at Brussels, 29 June 1998.

For the Commission

Franz FISCHLER

Member of the Commission

⁽¹⁾ OJ L 173, 27. 6. 1992, p. 13.

⁽²⁾ OJ L 320, 11. 12. 1996, p. 1.

⁽³⁾ OJ L 217, 31. 7. 1992, p. 44.

⁽⁴⁾ OJ L 202, 30. 7. 1997, p. 33.

COMMISSION REGULATION (EC) No 1373/98
of 29 June 1998
establishing the forecast balance for the supply of certain vegetable oils to the
Canary Islands

THE COMMISSION OF THE EUROPEAN COMMUNITIES,

HAS ADOPTED THIS REGULATION:

Having regard to the Treaty establishing the European Community,

Having regard to Council Regulation (EEC) No 1601/92 of 15 June 1992 concerning specific measures for the Canary Islands with regard to certain agricultural products ⁽¹⁾, as last amended by Regulation (EC) No 2348/96 ⁽²⁾, and in particular Article 3(4) thereof,

Whereas, pursuant to Article 2 of Regulation (EEC) No 1601/92, the forecast balance for the supply of vegetable oils to the Canary Islands for the 1998/99 marketing year should be established;

Whereas these balances are established on the basis of the justified requirements of consumption or the processing industry, communicated by the competent national authorities;

Whereas the measures provided for in this Regulation are in accordance with the opinion of the Management Committee for Oils and Fats,

This Regulation shall be binding in its entirety and directly applicable in all Member States.

Done at Brussels, 29 June 1998.

Article 1

The quantities of the forecast supply balance for the Canary Islands for certain vegetable oils for the 1998/99 marketing year which qualify for exemption from customs duties on import or which benefit from the aid for supply from the rest of the Community shall be as follows:

(tonnes)

CN code	Description	Quantity
1507 to 1516 (excluding 1509 and 1510)	Vegetable oils (excluding olive oil)	34 500 ⁽¹⁾

⁽¹⁾ 24 500 tonnes of which for the processing and/or packaging sector.

Article 2

This Regulation shall enter into force on the day following its publication in the *Official Journal of the European Communities*.

It shall apply with effect from 1 July 1998.

For the Commission

Franz FISCHLER

Member of the Commission

⁽¹⁾ OJ L 173, 27. 6. 1992, p. 13.

⁽²⁾ OJ L 320, 11. 12. 1996, p. 1.

COMMISSION REGULATION (EC) No 1374/98**of 29 June 1998****laying down detailed rules for the application of the import arrangements and opening tariff quotas for milk and milk products**

THE COMMISSION OF THE EUROPEAN COMMUNITIES,

Having regard to the Treaty establishing the European Community,

Having regard to Council Regulation (EEC) No 804/68 of 27 June 1968 on the common organisation of the market in milk and milk products ⁽¹⁾, as last amended by Regulation (EC) No 1587/96 ⁽²⁾, and in particular Articles 13(3) and 16(4) thereof,

Having regard to Council Regulation (EC) No 1095/96 of 18 June 1996 on the implementation of the concessions set out in schedule CXL drawn up in the wake of the conclusion of the GATT XXIV.6 negotiations ⁽³⁾, and in particular Article 1(1) thereof,

Having regard to Council Regulation (EC) No 779/98 of 7 April 1998 on the import into the Community of agricultural products originating in Turkey, repealing Regulation (EEC) No 4115/86 and amending Regulation (EC) No 3010/95 ⁽⁴⁾, and in particular Article 1 thereof,

Whereas Commission Regulation (EC) No 1600/95 of 30 June 1995 laying down detailed rules for the application of the import arrangements and opening tariff quotas for milk and milk products ⁽⁵⁾, as last amended by Regulation (EC) No 1129/98 ⁽⁶⁾, has been substantially amended several times; whereas, since further amendments are to be made, it should be recast in the interests of clarity and efficiency;

Whereas the Agreement on Agriculture concluded during the Uruguay Round of multilateral trade negotiations (hereinafter referred to as the 'Agreement') provides for certain tariff quotas for milk and milk products under the 'current access' and 'minimum access' arrangements; whereas those quotas should be opened; whereas rules should be laid down for the management of those quotas;

Whereas tariff quotas are opened under the current access arrangements for specified countries; whereas, in order to check that products imported under the quotas conform

to the product description laid down and that the tariff quotas are complied with, use should be made of the arrangements under which certificates are issued on the responsibility of the exporter country;

Whereas certain special conditions previously applied to imports authorised under special arrangements should be applied to imports of New Zealand butter under the quota provided for in the Agreement in order to monitor their origin and destination;

Whereas tariff quotas under the minimum access arrangements are opened for unspecified countries; whereas, in order to ensure correct and equitable management of the quotas, acceptance of licence applications should be subject to the lodging of a security greater than that required for normal imports and certain conditions should be laid down for the submission of licence applications; whereas the quotas should be spread out over the year and the procedure for the allocation of licences and their period of validity should be laid down; whereas this type of management requires close cooperation between the Member States and the Commission;

Whereas the Regulation should contain provisions on the import of milk products under tariff quotas opened pursuant to other international agreements and on the import of milk products under preferential quota arrangements; whereas checks on the description of the products concerned and, where appropriate, on compliance with the quota may be made on the basis of the system of certificates issued by the exporter country; whereas, however, in the case of imports from Switzerland under the special arrangement agreed between that country and the Community and imports from Turkey under the preferential arrangements provided for in Protocol 1 to Decision No 1/98 of the EC-Turkey Association Council of 25 February 1998 on the trade regime for agricultural products ⁽⁷⁾, import checks are based solely on Community import licences;

Whereas the special provisions of this Regulation are either supplementary to, or derogate from Regulation (EEC) No 3719/88 of 16 November 1988 laying down

⁽¹⁾ OJ L 148, 28. 6. 1968, p. 13.

⁽²⁾ OJ L 206, 16. 8. 1996, p. 21.

⁽³⁾ OJ L 146, 20. 6. 1996, p. 1.

⁽⁴⁾ OJ L 113, 15. 4. 1998, p. 1.

⁽⁵⁾ OJ L 151, 1. 7. 1995, p. 12.

⁽⁶⁾ OJ L 157, 30. 5. 1998, p. 91.

⁽⁷⁾ OJ L 86, 20. 3. 1998, p. 3.

common detailed rules for the application of the system of import and export licences and advance fixing certificates for agricultural products⁽¹⁾, as last amended by Regulation (EC) No 1044/98⁽²⁾;

Whereas, in order to permit the timely submission of licence applications in respect of the quotas opened by this Regulation, provision should be made for its entry into force on the day following that of its publication;

Whereas the measures provided for in this Regulation are in accordance with the opinion of the Management Committee for Milk and Milk Products,

HAS ADOPTED THIS REGULATION:

CHAPTER I

General arrangements

Article 1

All imports into the Community of any of the products listed in Article 1 of Regulation (EEC) No 804/68 (hereinafter referred to as 'milk products') shall be subject to the presentation of an import licence.

Notwithstanding the fourth indent of Article 5(1) of Regulation (EEC) No 3719/88, however, no import licence shall be required for operations involving not more than:

- (a) 150 kilograms for products falling within CN codes 0405 and 0406,
and
- (b) 300 kilograms for other milk products.

Article 2

1. The special rules set out in paragraphs 2 to 5 shall apply to import licences.
2. The security referred to in Article 14(2) of Regulation (EEC) No 3719/88 shall be ECU 10 per 100 kilograms net of product.
3. The Combined Nomenclature product code shall be entered in section 16 of both the import licence application and the licence itself. The licence shall only be valid for the product so designated.
4. The licence shall be valid from the day of issue within the meaning of Article 21(1) of Regulation (EEC) No 3719/88 until the end of the third month following.

5. The licence shall be issued on the first working day following the day on which the application is submitted.

Article 3

Classification of cheeses under CN codes 0406 20 10, 0406 90 02 to 0406 90 06 and 0406 90 19 shall be subject to the presentation of:

- (a) a licence issued in accordance with Article 23 for imports coming from Switzerland under the special arrangement concluded between that country and the Community;
- (b) an IMA 1 certificate fulfilling the conditions laid down in Chapter IV for other third countries.

CN code 0406 90 01 shall apply only to cheeses imported from third countries.

Article 4

For the purposes of this Regulation 'year of import' means:

- (a) the calendar year for the arrangements referred to in sections 1 and 3 of Chapter II;
- (b) the 12-month period beginning on 1 July for the arrangements referred to in section 2 of Chapter II.

CHAPTER II

Tariff quota arrangements

Section 1

Imports of milk products under tariff quotas referred to in the GATT/WTO Agreements opened for specified countries of origin

Article 5

The section shall apply to certain tariff quotas for milk products referred to in the Agreements concluded under the Uruguay Round of multilateral trade negotiations (hereinafter referred to as 'the Agreement') opened for specified countries of origin.

Article 6

The tariff quotas referred to in Article 5 and the duties to be applied shall be as set out in Annex I.

⁽¹⁾ OJ L 331, 2. 12. 1988, p. 1.

⁽²⁾ OJ L 149, 20. 5. 1998, p. 11.

Article 7

1. An import licence for the products listed in Annex I at the rate of duty indicated shall only be issued on presentation of an IMA 1 certificate, or a copy thereof, fulfilling the conditions laid down in Chapter IV; it shall bear the number of that certificate.

2. The period of validity of the IMA 1 certificate may not extend beyond 31 December of the year of issue.

From 1 November of each year, however, certificates valid from the following 1 January may be issued for quantities covered by the quota for the year of import.

Article 8

1. The import licence application and the import licence itself shall show the following entries:

- (a) in boxes 7 and 8, the name of the country of provenance and country of origin;
- (b) in box 15, the product description in accordance with Annex I;
- (c) in box 16, the subheading of the Combined Nomenclature preceded by 'ex' where appropriate;
- (d) in box 20, the number of the IMA 1 certificate together with one of the following:

- Válido si va acompañado de un certificado IMA 1 [Reglamento (CE) n° 1374/98]
- Gyldig ledsaget af et certifikat IMA 1 (forordning (EF) nr. 1374/98)
- Nur gültig in Verbindung mit einer Bescheinigung IMA 1 (Verordnung (EG) Nr. 1374/98)
- Έγκυρο μόνο εφόσον συνοδεύεται από πιστοποιητικό IMA 1 [κανονισμός (ΕΚ) αριθ. 1374/98]
- Valid if accompanied by an IMA 1 certificate (Regulation (EC) No 1374/98)
- Valable si accompagné d'un certificat IMA 1 [règlement (CE) n° 1374/98]
- Valido se accompagnato da un certificato IMA 1 [regolamento (CE) n. 1374/98]
- Geldig wanneer vergezeld van een certificaat IMA 1 (Verordening (EG) nr. 1374/98)
- Válido quando acompanhado de um certificado IMA 1 [Regulamento (CE) n° 1374/98]
- Voimassa vain IMA 1-todistuksen kanssa [asetus (EY) N:o 1374/98]
- Giltig endast med IMA 1-intyget (Förordning (EG) nr 1374/98).

2. The licence shall carry an obligation to import from the country of origin indicated.

Article 9

1. The following special rules shall apply to New Zealand butter subject to the tariff quota referred to in Article 5:

- (a) notwithstanding Article 2(2), the security shall be ECU 5 per 100 kilograms net of product;
- (b) import licence applications may be submitted only in the United Kingdom;
- (c) the IMA 1 certificate shall indicate the date of manufacture of the butter concerned.

2. For the purposes of monitoring the quantities of the tariff quota referred to in paragraph 1, account shall be taken of all quantities for which import declarations have been accepted during the period concerned.

3. Member States shall notify the Commission, by the end of each month, of the quantities of butter imported under the tariff quota referred to in paragraph 1 arriving in their country during the previous month and for which import declarations have been accepted.

Article 10

1. At all stages of marketing, New Zealand butter imported into the Community pursuant to this section shall bear an indication of its New Zealand origin.

2. The blending of New Zealand butter with Community butter for direct consumption may take place only in the United Kingdom.

Paragraph 1 shall apply to blending operations only at the stage prior to packing in small packages.

The United Kingdom shall inform the Commission of measures taken to that end.

Section 2

Imports of milk products under tariff quotas referred to in the GATT/WTO Agreements opened for unspecified countries of origin

Article 11

This section shall apply to tariff quotas for milk products referred to in the Agreement opened for unspecified countries of origin.

Article 12

1. The tariff quotas referred to in Article 11 and the duties to be applied shall be as set out in Annex II.

2. The quantities set out in Annex II for each year of import shall be divided into four equal parts for the three-month periods commencing on 1 July, 1 October, 1 January and 1 April of each year.

Article 13

1. At the time that import licence applications are submitted, applicants must prove to the satisfaction of the competent authorities of the Member State concerned that they have regularly imported into the Community and/or exported from the Community milk or milk products during the preceding 12 months. However, retail establishments or restaurants selling their products to final consumers are excluded from these arrangements.

2. Licence applications and the licences themselves may show only one of the CN codes set out in Annex II; the licence application must be for a minimum of 10 tonnes and a maximum of 25 % of the quantity of the product or products concerned available for each period as referred to in Article 12(2) for which the licence application is submitted.

3. Licence applications and licences shall show:

- (a) in box 8, the country of origin (licences shall carry with them an obligation to import from the country indicated);
- (b) in box 15, a detailed description of the product, in particular:
 - (i) the raw material used,
 - (ii) the fat content, by weight (%), in the dry matter,
 - (iii) the water content, by weight (%), in the non-fatty matter,
 - (iv) the fat content, by weight (%);
- (c) in box 20, one of the following entries:
 - Reglamento (CE) n° 1374/98, artículo 12
 - Forordning (EF) nr. 1374/98, artikel 12
 - Verordnung (EG) Nr. 1374/98, Artikel 12
 - Κανονισμός (ΕΚ) αριθ. 1374/98, άρθρο 12
 - Article 12 of Regulation (EC) No 1374/98
 - Règlement (CE) n° 1374/98, article 12
 - Regolamento (CE) n. 1374/98, articolo 12
 - Verordening (EG) nr. 1374/98, artikel 12
 - Regulamento (CE) n° 1374/98, artigo 12º
 - Asetus (EY) N:o 1374/98, 12 artikla
 - Förordning (EG) nr 1374/98, artikel 12.
- (d) in box 24, the rate of duty applicable.

4. The licence shall carry an obligation to import from the country indicated.

Article 14

1. Licence applications may be lodged only during the first 10 days of each period as specified in Article 12(2).

2. Licence applications shall be admissible only where applicants declare in writing that they have not submitted, and undertake not to submit, any other applications

under the import arrangements referred to in this section for the same period for products falling within the same code in the Member State in which the application is being submitted or in any Member State. In the event that an applicant submits more than one application for the same product, all applications from that applicant shall be invalid.

3. The Member States shall notify the Commission, on the fifth working day following the end of the application period, of applications submitted for each of the products listed in Annex II. Such notification shall comprise the list of applicants and the quantities applied for by CN code. All notifications, including any notification of a total absence of applications, shall be made by telex or fax on the working day stipulated, in accordance with the specimen in Annex VIII where no application has been made and with the specimens in Annexes VIII and IX where applications have been made.

4. The Commission shall decide as quickly as possible to what extent applications may be granted and shall inform the Member States of its decision.

Notwithstanding Article 2(5), licences shall be issued to applicants whose applications have been notified in accordance with paragraph 3 not more than three working days after the Member States have been informed of the Commission's decision as provided for in the first subparagraph.

Where the total quantity covered by licence applications exceeds the quantity fixed, the Commission may apply an allocation factor to the quantities applied for.

Where the total quantity covered by licence applications is less than the quantity available, the Commission shall determine the quantity remaining, which shall be added to that available for the following period of the same year of import.

5. If the allocation factor referred to in the third subparagraph of paragraph 4 is less than 0,8000, applicants may withdraw their applications. In such cases, they shall notify the competent authority within three working days of publication of the Commission decision fixing the allocation factor, whereupon their security shall immediately be released. The competent authority shall notify the Commission, within four working days of publication of the decision, of the quantities for which applications have been withdrawn and for which the security referred to in Article 16 has been released.

Article 15

The period of validity of licences may not extend beyond 30 June following the date of issue within the meaning of Article 21(1) of Regulation (EEC) No 3719/88.

Import licences issued pursuant to this section may be transferred only to the natural or legal persons fulfilling the conditions under Article 13(1).

Article 16

Notwithstanding Article 2(2), the security shall be ECU 35 per 100 kilograms net of product.

Article 17

Notwithstanding Article 8(4) of Regulation (EEC) No 3719/88, the quantity imported pursuant to this section may not exceed that shown in boxes 17 and 18 of the import licence. To that end, the figure '0' shall be entered in box 19 of the licence.

Section 3

Imports of milk products under tariff quotas referred to in other international agreements

Article 18

1. Paragraphs 2 and 3 shall apply to imports of milk products from Norway under the EEA Agreement.
2. The milk products and the duties applicable shall be as set out in Annex III. A.
3. Articles 7 and 8 shall apply.

Article 19

1. Paragraphs 2 to 5 shall apply to milk products imported under the tariff quotas referred to in Annex 1 to Protocol 1 to Decision No 1/98 of the EC-Turkey Association Council.
2. The milk products and the duties applicable shall be as set out in Annex III. B.
3. The quantities set out in Annex III. B for each year shall be divided into two equal parts for the half-year periods commencing on 1 January and 1 July.

However, in the case of the half-year period from 1 July to 31 December 1998, the quantity shall be 1 500 tonnes.

4. The period of validity of import licences may not extend beyond 31 December following the date of issue within the meaning of Article 21(1) of Regulation (EEC) No 3719/88. Import licences issued pursuant to this

Article may be transferred only to the natural or legal persons referred to in Article 13(1).

5. Articles 13, 14, 16 and 17 shall apply *mutatis mutandis*.

However:

- (a) notwithstanding Article 13(2), licence applications must be for a minimum of 10 tonnes and a maximum equivalent to the quantity available for each period referred to in paragraph 3;
- (b) notwithstanding Article 13(3)(c), the entry in box 20 of licence applications and licences shall refer to Article 19 of this Regulation;
- (c) notwithstanding Article 14(3), Member States shall notify the Commission, on the fifth working day following the end of the period for submission of applications, of applications lodged for each of the products listed in Annex III.B. Such notification shall comprise the list of applicants and the quantities applied for by CN code. All notifications, including any notification of a total absence of applications, shall be made by telex or fax on the working day stipulated, in accordance with the specimen in Annex X.

CHAPTER III

Non-quota preferential import arrangements

Article 20

This Chapter shall apply to certain milk products imported from third countries under special arrangements concluded between those countries and the Community, or under autonomous concessions, at reduced duties without restriction.

Article 21

The milk products referred to in Article 20 and the duties applicable shall be as set out in Annex IV.

Article 22

1. An import licence for the products listed in Annex IV at the rate of duty indicated shall be issued only on presentation of an IMA 1 certificate, or a copy thereof, fulfilling the conditions laid down in Chapter IV; it shall bear the number of that certificate.
2. The period of validity of the IMA 1 certificate may not extend beyond 31 December of the year of issue.

Article 23

1. Notwithstanding Article 22, paragraphs 2, 3 and 4 shall apply:

- (a) to imports coming from Switzerland under the special arrangement concluded between that country and the Community;
- (b) to imports of milk products as referred to in Annex 1 to Protocol 1 to Decision No 1/98 of the EC-Turkey Association Council, except for imports provided for in Article 19(1) of this Regulation.

2. Licence applications and licences shall show:

- (a) in box 15, the detailed description of the product referred to in Annex IV or, for products falling within CN codes 0406 90 02 to 0406 90 06, the description in the Combined Nomenclature;
- (b) in box 16, the Combined Nomenclature code for the product;
- (c) in box 20, one of the following entries:
 - Reglamento (CE) n° 1374/98, artículo 23
 - Forordning (EF) nr. 1374/98, artikel 23
 - Verordnung (EG) Nr. 1374/98, Artikel 23
 - Κανονισμός (ΕΚ) αριθ. 1374/98, άρθρο 23
 - Article 23 of Regulation (EC) No 1374/98
 - Règlement (CE) n° 1374/98, article 23
 - Regolamento (CE) n. 1374/98, articolo 23
 - Verordening (EG) nr. 1374/98, artikel 23
 - Regulamento (CE) n.º 1374/98, artigo 23
 - Asetus (EY) n:o 1374/98, 23 artikla
 - Förordning (EG) nr 1374/98, artikel 23.

(d) in box 24, the rate of duty applicable.

3. For products falling within CN codes 0406 90 02 to 0406 90 06 and for those listed in Annex IV under serial numbers 3, 4 and 5, import licences shall be issued only where the applications are accompanied by:

- (a) a written declaration by the applicant that the minimum prices referred to in Annex IV or in the Combined Nomenclature for products falling within CN codes 0406 90 02 to 0406 90 06 have been complied with;
- (b) a written undertaking by the applicant to supply, at the request of the competent authorities, any information and additional supporting documentation which they may judge necessary with regard to compliance with the minimum price and to allow any auditing of accounts required by those authorities.

In cases of non-compliance with the minimum price, in addition to the import duty set in Annex I to Council Regulation (EEC) No 2658/87⁽¹⁾, a penalty shall be paid equal to 25 % of the amount of the duty.

4. The reduced rate of duty shall be applied only on presentation of the declaration of release for free circulation accompanied by the import licence and the proof of origin issued under:

- (a) Protocol 3 to the Agreement between the European Economic Community and the Swiss Confederation of 22 July 1972⁽²⁾, for imports from Switzerland;
- (b) Protocol 3 to Decision No 1/98 of the EC-Turkey Association Council, for imports from Turkey.

CHAPTER IV**Rules applicable to IMA 1 certificates***Article 24*

The IMA 1 certificate shall be drawn up according to the specimen in Annex V in accordance with the conditions laid down in this Chapter and must be presented on importation.

Article 25

1. The dimensions of the form referred to in Article 24 shall be 210 × 297 mm. The paper used shall weigh at least 40 g/m² and shall be white in colour.

2. The forms shall be printed and completed in one of the official languages of the Community. They may also be printed and completed in the official language or one of the official languages of the exporting country.

3. The form shall be completed either in typescript or in manuscript. Block letters shall be used if the form is completed in manuscript.

4. Each certificate shall bear a serial number allocated by the issuing agency.

Article 26

1. A separate certificate must be drawn up for each type of product as referred to in Annexes I, IIIA and IV and each form of presentation thereof, except for imports as referred to in Article 23.

2. The certificate must contain, for each type and each form of presentation, the particulars set out in Annex VI.

Except in the case of unforeseeable circumstances or *force majeure*, the original of the certificate shall be presented, along with the products to which it relates, to the customs authorities of the importing Member State before the end of the second month following issue of the certificate.

⁽¹⁾ OJ L 256, 7. 9. 1987, p. 1.

⁽²⁾ OJ L 300, 31. 12. 1972, p. 189.

Article 27

1. The period of validity of the certificate shall be the same as that of the import licence referred to in Article 2(4).
2. Certificates shall be valid only if duly completed and authenticated by an issuing agency listed in Annex VII.
3. Certificates shall be regarded as duly authenticated where they show the date and place of issue, are stamped by the issuing agency and bear the signature or signatures of the person or persons authorised to sign them.

Article 28

1. An issuing agency may be listed in Annex VII only if:
 - (a) it is recognised as such by the exporting country;
 - (b) it undertakes to verify the particulars set out in the certificates;
 - (c) it undertakes to supply the Commission and the Member States, upon request, with any information that may be required to assess the particulars set out in the certificates.
2. Annex VII shall be revised when the condition referred to in paragraph 1(a) is no longer fulfilled or when an issuing agency fails to fulfil one of the obligations it has undertaken.

Article 29

Member States shall take the measures necessary to check that the system of certificates established by this Chapter is operating correctly.

CHAPTER V**General and final provisions***Article 30*

Chapter I shall apply to import licences issued under the arrangements laid down in Chapters II and III except where otherwise stated.

Article 31

Regulation (EEC) No 1600/95 is hereby repealed.

References to that Regulation shall be construed as references to this Regulation.

Article 32

This Regulation shall enter into force on the day following that of its publication in the *Official Journal of the European Communities*.

It shall apply from 1 July 1998.

This Regulation shall be binding in its entirety and directly applicable in all Member States.

Done at Brussels, 29 June 1998.

For the Commission

Franz FISCHLER

Member of the Commission

ANNEX I

TARIFF QUOTAS PURSUANT TO THE GATT/WTO AGREEMENTS SPECIFIED BY
COUNTRY OF ORIGIN

(Calendar year)

Order number in Annex 7 to the Combined Nomenclature (TARIC order number)	CN code	Description	Country of origin	Quota quantity (annual) (tonnes)	Import duty (ECU/100 kg net weight)	Rules for completing IMA 1 certificates
38 (09.4589)	ex 0405 10 11 ex 0405 10 19	Butter, at least six weeks old, of a fat content by weight of not less than 80 % but less than 82 %, manufactured directly from milk or cream	New Zealand	76 667	86,88	see Article 9
43 (09.4515)	0406 90 01	Cheese for processing ⁽¹⁾	New Zealand Australia	4 000 500	17,06 17,06	see Annex VI (C) and (D)
45 (09.4514)	ex 0406 90 21	Whole Cheddar cheeses (of the conventional flat cylindrical shape of a net weight of not less than 33 kg but not more than 44 kg and cheeses in cubic blocks or in parallelepiped shape, of a net weight of 10 kg or more) of a fat content of 50 % or more by weight in the dry matter, matured for at least three months	New Zealand Australia	7 000 3 250	17,06 17,06	see Annex VI (B)
46 (09.4513)	ex 0406 90 21	Cheddar made from unpasteurized milk, of a fat content of 50 % or more, by weight, in the dry matter, matured for at least nine months, with a free-at-frontier value ⁽²⁾ per 100 kg net, of not less than: — ECU 334,20 in whole cheeses — ECU 354,83 for cheeses of a net weight of not less than 500 g — ECU 368,58 for cheeses of a weight less than 500 g The expression 'whole cheeses' means cheeses of the: — Conventional flat cylindrical shape of a net weight of not less than 33 kg but not more than 44 kg — Cubic blocks or parallelepipeds, of a net weight of 10 kg or more	Canada	4 000	13,75	see Annex VI (A)

⁽¹⁾ Utilization for this particular purpose will be monitored by applying the Community provisions laid down on the subject.

⁽²⁾ 'Free-at-frontier value' means the free-at-frontier price or fob price in the country of export, plus an amount, where appropriate, for delivery and insurance costs to the customs territory of the Community.

ANNEX II

TARIFF QUOTAS PURSUANT TO GATT/WTO AGREEMENTS, NOT SPECIFIED BY COUNTRY OF ORIGIN

(GATT/WTO year)

Order number in Annex 7 to the Combined Nomenclature (TARIC order number)	CN code	Description	Country of origin	Quota quantity (tonnes)		Import duty (ECU/100 kg net weight)
				Annual	Quarterly	
36 (09.4590)	0402 10 19	Skimmed milk powder	all third countries	56 960	14 240	47,50
37 (09.4599)	0405 10 11 0405 10 19 0405 10 30 0405 10 50 0405 10 90 0405 90 10 (*) 0405 90 90 (*)	Butter and other fats and oils derived from milk	all third countries	6 000	1 500 in butter equivalent	94,80
39 (09.4591)	ex 0406 10 20 ex 0406 10 80	Pizza cheese, frozen, cut into pieces each weighing not more than 1 gram, in containers of a net content of 5 kg or more, of a water content, by weight, of 52 % or more, and of a fat content by weight in the dry matter of 38 % or more	all third countries	3 624	906	13,00
40 (09.4592)	ex 0406 30 10 0406 90 13	Processed Emmentaler Emmentaler	all third countries	12 214	3 053,5	71,90 85,80
41 (09.4593)	ex 0406 30 10 0406 90 15	Processed Gruyère Gruyère, Sbrinz	all third countries	3 414	853,5	71,90 85,80
42 (09.4594)	0406 90 01	Cheese for processing (1)	all third countries	13 600	3 400	83,50
44 (09.4595)	0406 90 21	Cheddar	all third countries	10 200	2 550	21,00
47 (09.4596)	ex 0406 10 20 ex 0406 10 80 0406 20 90 0406 30 31 0406 30 39 0406 30 90 0406 40 10 0406 40 50 0406 40 90 0406 90 17	Fresh (unripened or uncured) cheese, including whey cheese, and curd, other than pizza cheese of order No 40 Other grated or powdered cheese Other processed cheese Blue-veined cheese Bergkäse and Appenzell	all third countries	13 098	3 274,5	92,60 106,40 94,10 69,00 71,90 102,90 70,40 85,80

Order number in Annex 7 to the Combined Nomenclature (TARIC order number)	CN code	Description	Country of origin	Quota quantity (tonnes)		Import duty (ECU/100 kg net weight)
				Annual	Quarterly	
	0406 90 18	Fromage fribourgeois, Vacherin Mont d'Or and Tête de Moine				75,50
	0406 90 23	Edam				
	0406 90 25	Tilsit				
	0406 90 27	Butterkäse				
	0406 90 29	Kashkaval				
	0406 90 31	Feta, of sheep's milk or buffalo milk				
	0406 90 33	Feta, other				
	0406 90 35	Kefalo-Tyri				
	0406 90 37	Finlandia				
	0406 90 39	Jarlsberg				
	0406 90 50	Cheese of sheep's milk or buffalo milk				
	0406 90 61	Grana Padano, Parmigiano Reggiano				94,10
	0406 90 63	Fiore Sardo, Pecorino				
	0406 90 69	Other				
	0406 90 73	Provolone				75,50
	0406 90 75	Asiago, Caciocavallo, Montasio, Ragusano				
	0406 90 76	Danbo, Fontal, Fontina, Fynbo, Havarti, Maribo, Samsø				
	0406 90 78	Gouda				
	0406 90 79	Esrom, Italico, Kernhem, Saint-Nectaire, Saint- Paulin, Taleggio				
	0406 90 81	Cantal, Cheshire, Wensleydale, Lancashire, Double Gloucester, Blarney, Colby, Monterey				
	0406 90 82	Camembert				
	0406 90 84	Brie				
	0406 90 85	Kefalograviera, Kasseri				
	0406 90 86	Exceeding 47 % but not exceeding 52 %				
	0406 90 87	Exceeding 52 % but not exceeding 62 %				
	0406 90 88	Exceeding 62 % but not exceeding 72 %				
	0406 90 93	Exceeding 72 %				92,60
	0406 90 99	Other				106,40

(*) 1 kg product = 1,22 kg butter.

(†) Utilization for this particular purpose will be monitored by applying the Community provisions laid down on the subject.

ANNEX III

TARIFF QUOTAS PURSUANT TO OTHER INTERNATIONAL AGREEMENTS

A. NORWAY

(Calendar year)

Order number (TARIC order number)	CN code	Description	Country of origin	Quota quantity (annual) (tonnes)	Import duty (ECU/100 kg net weight)	Rules for completing IMA 1 certificates
12 (09.4597)	ex 0406 90 39 ex 0406 90 86 ex 0406 90 87 ex 0406 90 88	— Jarlsberg, of a minimum fat content of 45 % by weight in the dry matter, and of a minimum dry matter content of 56 %, matured for at least three months: — Whole cheeses with rind, from 8 to 12 kg — Rectangular blocks of a net weight not exceeding 7 kg ⁽¹⁾ — Pieces packed in vacuum or inert gas, of a net weight of not less than 150 g but not exceeding 1 kg ⁽¹⁾ — Ridder, of a minimum fat content of 60 % by weight in the dry matter, matured for at least four weeks: — Whole cheeses with rind, from 1 to 2 kg — Pieces packed in vacuum or inert gas, with rind on at least one side, of a net weight of not less than 150 g ⁽¹⁾	Norway	2 351	66,41	see Annex VI H
	ex 0406 10 20 ex 0406 10 80	— Whey cheese		357	7,50	see Annex VI I
	0406 30	Processed cheese, not grated or powdered		8	43,80	

⁽¹⁾ The concession applies to rectangular blocks or pieces packed in vacuum or inert gas provided that the packaging of such goods bears at least the following particulars:

- the name of the cheese,
- the fat content by weight in the dry matter,
- the packer responsible,
- the country of origin of the cheeses.

B. TURKEY

(Calendar year)

Serial number (TARIC order number)	CN code	Description	Country of origin	Quota (tonnes)		Import duty (ECU/100 kg net weight)
				annual	half-yearly	
13 (09.4101)	0406 90 29	Kashkaval cheese	Turkey	1 500	750	0
	ex 0406 90 31	Cheese made exclusively from sheep's milk or buffalo milk, in containers containing brine, or in sheep's or goatskin bottles				
	ex 0406 90 50	Other cheese made exclusively from sheep's milk or buffalo milk, in containers containing brine, or in sheep or goatskin bottles				
	ex 0406 90 86 ex 0406 90 87 ex 0406 90 88	Tulum Peyniri, made from sheep's milk or buffalo milk, in packings of less than 10 kg				

ANNEX IV

NON-QUOTA PREFERENTIAL IMPORT ARRANGEMENTS

Order No	CN code	Description	Country of origin	Import duty (ECU/100 kg net weight)	Rules for completing IMA 1 certificates
1	0402 29 11 ex 0404 90 83	Special milk, for infants ⁽¹⁾ , in hermetically sealed containers of a net content not exceeding 500 g, of a fat content by weight exceeding 10 % but not exceeding 27 %	Switzerland	43,80	—
2	0406 20 10 0406 90 19	Glaris herb cheese (known as Schabziger) made from skimmed milk and mixed with finely ground herbs	Switzerland	6 % of the customs value	—
3	ex 0406 90 18	Fromage Fribourgeois, Vacherin Mont d'Or and Tête de Moine, of a minimum fat content of 45 % by weight in the dry matter, matured for at least 18 days in the case of Vacherin Mont d'Or, at least two months in the case of Fromage Fribourgeois and at least three months in the case of Tête de Moine: — Whole cheeses with rind ⁽²⁾ (a) with a free-at-frontier value ⁽³⁾ of not less than ECU 401,85 but less than ECU 430,62 per 100 kg net weight — Pieces packed in vacuum or inert gas ⁽⁴⁾ , with rind ⁽²⁾ (a) on at least one side, of a net weight of at least 1 kg but less than 5 kg and with a free-at-frontier value ⁽³⁾ of not less than ECU 430,62 but less than ECU 459,39 per 100 kg net weight	Switzerland	19,32	—
4	ex 0406 90 13 ex 0406 90 15 ex 0406 90 17 ex 0406 90 18	Emmental, Gruyère, Sbrinz and Appenzell, of a minimum fat content of 45 % by weight in the dry matter, matured for at least three months: — Pieces with rind packed in vacuum or inert gas ⁽⁴⁾ of a net weight of not more than 450 g and with a free-at-frontier value ⁽³⁾ of not less than ECU 499,67 per 100 kg net weight Fromage Fribourgeois, Vacherin Mont d'Or and Tête de Moine, of a minimum fat content of 45 % by weight in the dry matter, matured for at least 18 days in the case of Vacherin Mont d'Or, at least two months in the case of Fromage Fribourgeois and at least three months in the case of Tête de Moine: — Whole cheeses with rind ⁽²⁾ (a), with a free-at-frontier value ⁽³⁾ of not less than ECU 430,62 per 100 kg net weight — Pieces packed in vacuum or inert gas ⁽⁴⁾ , with rind ⁽²⁾ (a) on at least one side, of a net weight of not less than 1 kg and with a free-at-frontier value ⁽³⁾ of not less than ECU 459,39 per 100 kg net weight — Pieces packed in vacuum or inert gas ⁽⁴⁾ , of a net weight of not more than 450 g and with a free-at-frontier value ⁽³⁾ of not less than ECU 499,67 per 100 kg net weight	Switzerland	9,66	—

Order No	CN code	Description	Country of origin	Import duty (ECU/100 kg net weight)	Rules for completing IMA 1 certificates
5	ex 0406 30 10	Processed cheese, not grated or powdered, in the manufacture of which only Emmental, Gruyère and Appenzell have been used and which may contain, as an addition, Glarus herb cheese (known as Schabziger), put up for retail sale ⁽³⁾ ; with a free-at-frontier value ⁽³⁾ of not less than ECU 289,14 per 100 kg net weight and of a fat content not exceeding 56 % by weight in the dry matter	Switzerland	43,80	—
6	ex 0406 90 25	Tilsit, of a fat content not exceeding 48 % by weight in the dry matter	Romania	81,76	See Annex VI (E)
			Switzerland		—
7	ex 0406 90 25	Tilsit, of a fat content exceeding 48 % by weight in the dry matter	Romania	110,96	See Annex VI (E)
			Switzerland		—
8	ex 0406 90 29	Kashkaval, made exclusively from sheep's milk, matured for at least two months, of a minimum fat content of 45 % in the dry matter and a minimum dry matter content of 58 %, in whole cheeses not exceeding 10 kg, whether wrapped in plastic or not	Cyprus Hungary Israel Romania Bosnia-Herzegovina, Croatia, Slovenia, Montenegro, Serbia and the former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia Turkey	67,19	See Annex VI (F) —
9	ex 0406 90 31 ex 0406 90 50	Cheeses made exclusively from sheep's milk or buffalo milk, in containers containing brine, or in sheep or goatskin bottles	Cyprus Hungary Israel Romania Bosnia-Herzegovina, Croatia, Slovenia, Montenegro, Serbia and the former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia Turkey	67,19	See Annex VI (G) —
10	ex 0406 90 86 ex 0406 90 87 ex 0406 90 88	Tulum Peyniri, made from sheep's milk or buffalo milk, in packings of less than 10 kg	Turkey	67,19	—
11	ex 0406 90 50 ex 0406 90 86 ex 0406 90 87 ex 0406 90 88	Halloumi	Cyprus	27,63	See Annex VI (G)

(¹) 'Special milk for infants' means products free from pathogenic germs and which have fewer than 10 000 revivifiable aerobic bacteria and fewer than two coliform bacteria per gram.

(²) (a) 'Whole cheeses, with rind' means whole cheeses of the following net weights:

- Emmental: not less than 60 kg but not more than 130 kg,
- Gruyère: not less than 20 kg but not more than 45 kg,
- Sbrinz: not less than 20 kg but not more than 50 kg,
- Bergkäse: not less than 20 kg but not more than 60 kg,
- Appenzell: not less than 6 kg but not more than 8 kg,
- Fromage Fribourgeois: not less than 6 kg but not more than 10 kg,
- Tête de moine: not less than 0,700 kg but not more than 4 kg,
- Vacherin Mont d'Or: not less than 0,400 kg but not more than 3 kg.

For the purposes of these provisions, 'rind' is defined as follows:

'The rind of such cheeses is the outer layer formed from the cheese itself, having a distinctly more solid consistency and a distinctly darker colour'.

(b) 'Whole Cheddar cheeses' means:

- whole cheeses of a net weight of not less than 33 kg but not more than 44 kg,
- cubic blocks or parallelepipeds of cheese of a net weight of not less than 10 kg.

(³) 'Free-at-frontier value' means the free-at-frontier price or fob price in the country of export, plus an amount, where appropriate, for delivery and insurance costs to the customs territory of the Community.

(⁴) The concession applies to rectangular blocks or pieces packed in vacuum or inert gas provided that the packaging of such goods bears at least the following particulars:

- the name of the cheese,
- the fat content by weight in the dry matter,
- the packer responsible,
- the country of origin of the cheese.

(⁵) 'Put up for retail sale' means cheese put up in immediate packings of a net weight not exceeding 1 kg containing portions or slices of an individual net weight not exceeding 100 g.

IMA 1 CERTIFICATE

1. Seller	2. Serial No of issue	ORIGINAL							
3. Buyer	CERTIFICATE for the entry of certain milk products under certain headings or subheadings of the Combined Nomenclature								
4. Number and date of invoice				5. Country of origin	6. Member State of destination				
IMPORTANT A. A separate certificate must be made out for each form of presentation of each product. B. The certificate must be in an official language of the European Community. It may also contain a translation into the official language or one official language of the exporting country. C. The certificate must be made out in accordance with the Community provisions in force. D. The original, and where appropriate, a copy of the certificate must be presented to the customs office in the Community at the time when the product is being put into free circulation.									
7. Marks, numbers, number and kind of packages; detailed description of product and particulars of its form of presentation		8. Gross weight (kg)	9. Net weight (kg)						
10. Raw material used									
11. Fat content by weight (%), in the dry matter									
12. Water content by weight (%), in the non-fatty matter									
13. Fat content, by weight (%)									
14. Ripening period									
15. Community free-at-frontier price (ECU) per 100 kg net weight equal to or more than:									
16. Observations: (a) tariff quota ⁽¹⁾ (b) intended for processing ⁽¹⁾									
17. IT IS HEREBY CERTIFIED — that the particulars set out above are accurate and comply with the Community provisions in force. — that for the products described above no discount, refund, or any other rebate will be granted to the buyer which may lead to the product in question having a value less than the minimum import value fixed for such product ⁽²⁾ .									
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⁽¹⁾ Delete where not applicable.

⁽²⁾ This clause is deleted for cheeses of sheep's or buffalo milk, for Glaris, Tilsit and Butterkäse and for special milk for infants.

ANNEX VI

RULES FOR COMPLETING CERTIFICATES

The following must be completed, in addition to boxes 1 to 6, 9, 17 and 18 of the IMA 1 certificate:

- A. As regards Cheddar listed under No 46 in Annex I and covered by CN code ex 0406 90 21:
- Box 7 by specifying, as appropriate:
 - 'whole Cheddar cheeses',
 - 'Cheddar cheese other than whole cheeses, of a net weight of not less than 500 g',
 - 'Cheddar cheese other than whole cheeses, of a net weight of less than 500 g';
 - Box 10 by specifying 'exclusively pasteurized home-produced cows' milk';
 - Box 11 by specifying 'at least 50 %';
 - Box 14 by specifying 'at least nine months';
 - Boxes 15 and 16 by specifying the period for which the quota is valid.
- B. As regards Cheddar cheeses listed under No 45 in Annex I and covered by CN code ex 0406 90 21:
- Box 7 by specifying 'whole Cheddar cheeses';
 - Box 10 by specifying 'exclusively home-produced cows' milk';
 - Box 11 by specifying 'at least 50 %';
 - Box 14 by specifying 'at least three months';
 - Box 16 by specifying the period for which the quota is valid.
- C. As regards Cheddar cheese intended for processing listed under No 43 in Annex I and covered by CN code 0406 90 01:
- Box 7 by specifying 'whole Cheddar cheeses';
 - Box 10 by specifying 'exclusively home-produced cows' milk';
 - Box 16 by specifying the period for which the quota is valid.
- D. As regards cheese other than Cheddar, intended for processing, listed under No 43 in Annex I and covered by CN code 0406 90 01:
- Box 7 by specifying 'exclusively home-produced cows' milk';
 - Box 16 by specifying the period for which the quota is valid.
- E. As regards Tilsit listed under Nos 6 and 7 in Annex IV and covered by CN code ex 0406 90 25:
- Box 7 by specifying 'Tilsit cheese';
 - Box 10 by specifying 'exclusively home-produced cows' milk';
 - Boxes 11 and 12.
- F. As regards Kashkaval cheeses listed under No 8 in Annex IV and covered by CN code 0406 90 29:
- Box 7 by specifying 'Kashkaval cheese, made from sheep's milk, matured for at least two months, of a minimum dry matter content of 58 %, in whole cheeses not exceeding 10 kg net, whether wrapped in plastic or not';
 - Box 10 by specifying 'exclusively home-produced sheep's milk';
 - Box 11.
- G. As regards cheeses of sheep's milk or buffalo milk in containers containing brine, or in sheep or goatskin bottles, and 'Halloumi' cheese listed under Nos 9, 10 and 11 in Annex IV and covered by CN codes ex 0406 90 31, ex 0406 90 50, ex 0406 90 86, ex 0406 90 87 and ex 0406 90 88:
- Box 7 by specifying, as appropriate, 'cheese of sheep's milk' or 'cheese of buffalo milk' and 'in containers containing brine' or 'in sheep or goatskin bottles' or, 'Halloumi' cheese is to be presented in individual plastic packings of a net content not exceeding 1 kg or in metal or plastic containers of a net content not exceeding 12 kg;
 - Box 10 by specifying, as appropriate, 'exclusively home-produced sheep's milk' or 'exclusively home-produced buffalo milk' or, in the case of 'Halloumi' cheese, 'home-produced milk';
 - Boxes 11 and 12.

H. As regards Jarlsberg and Ridder cheeses listed under No 12 in Annex III A and covered by CN codes ex 0406 90 39, ex 0406 90 86, ex 0406 90 87 and ex 0406 90 88:

1. Box 7 by specifying either 'Jarlsberg cheese' and as appropriate:
 - 'Whole cheeses, with rind, of a net weight of 8 to 12 kg inclusive',
 - 'Rectangular blocks of a net weight of not more than 7 kg',
 - or
 - 'Pieces packed in vacuum or inert gas, of a net weight of at least 150 g and not more than 1 kg',or 'Ridder cheese', and as appropriate:
 - 'Whole cheeses, with rind, of 1 kg to 2 kg',
 - or
 - 'Pieces packed in vacuum or inert gas, with rind on at least one side, of a net weight of at least 150 g';
2. Box 11 by specifying as appropriate 'at least 45 %' or 'at least 60 %';
3. Box 14 by specifying as appropriate 'at least three months' or 'at least four months'.

I. As regards whey cheese listed under No 12 in Annex III A and covered by CN codes ex 0406 10 20 and ex 0406 10 80:

1. Box 7 by specifying 'whey cheese'.
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ANNEX VII

ISSUING AGENCIES

Third country	CN code and description		Issuing agency	
			Name	Location
Australia	0406 90 01 0406 90 21	Cheddar and other cheese for processing Cheddar	Australian Quarantine Inspection Service Department of Primary Industries and Energy	PO Box 30 World Trade Centre Melbourne, Vic. Australia 3005 Tel.: (3) 03 92 46 67 51 Fax: (3) 03 92 46 68 00
Canada	0406 90 21	Cheddar	Canadian Dairy Commission Commission canadienne du lait	Ottawa
Cyprus	ex 0406 90 29 0406 90 31 ex 0406 90 50 ex 0406 90 86 ex 0406 90 87 ex 0406 90 88	Kashkaval Cheeses of sheep's milk or buffalo milk Halloumi	Ministry of Commerce and Industry	1421 Nicosia Cyprus Tel.: (02) 30 34 41/ 30 28 48 Fax: (02) 37 51 20
Hungary	ex 0406 90 29 0406 90 31 0406 90 50	Kashkaval Cheeses of sheep's milk or buffalo milk	Tejtermékek Magyar Allami Elenörző Allomasa	Budapest
Israel	ex 0406 90 29 0406 90 31 0406 90 50	Kashkaval Cheeses of sheep's milk or buffalo milk	Ministry of Industry and Trade, Food Division	Jerusalem
Norway	ex 0406 10 20 ex 0406 10 80 0406 30 ex 0406 90 39 ex 0406 90 86 ex 0406 90 87 ex 0406 90 88	Whey cheese Processed cheese Jarlsberg Ridder	Norwegian Dairies O. Kavli	PO Box 9051 Grønland 0133 Oslo Tel.: 22 93 88 00 Fax: 22 17 23 75 Postboks 338 N — 5051 Nesttun Tel.: 55 10 00 00 Fax: 55 10 15 00
New Zealand	0405 10 11 0405 10 19 0406 90 01 0406 90 21	Butter Butter Cheddar and other cheese for processing Cheddar	New Zealand Dairy Board	PO Box 417 Wellington New Zealand Tel.: (4) 471 83 00 Fax: (4) 41 78 600
Romania	0406 90 25 ex 0406 90 29 0406 90 31 0406 90 50	Tilsit Kashkaval Cheeses of sheep's milk or buffalo milk	Organisatia de control al marfurilor 'Romcontrol'	Bucharest
Yugoslavia	ex 0406 90 29 0406 90 31 0406 90 50	Kashkaval Cheeses of sheep's milk or buffalo milk		

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COMMISSION OF THE EUROPEAN COMMUNITIES
DG VI/D/1 — MILK AND MILK PRODUCTS

APPLICATIONS FOR IMPORT LICENCES AT REDUCED DUTIES

... THREE-MONTH PERIOD

Member State:	Date: Commission Regulation (EC) No 1600/95
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Consigner:

Contact:

Telephone:

Fax:

Part I: Summary

Order number in Annex 7 to the combined nomenclature	CN code	Quantity applied for per CN code
Subtotal		

Part II: Applications per order number

Serial numbers of applications:

Total quantity applied for (tonnes):

Number of pages:

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COMMISSION OF THE EUROPEAN COMMUNITIES
DG VI/D/1 — MILK AND MILK PRODUCTS

APPLICATIONS FOR IMPORT LICENCES AT REDUCED DUTIES

... THREE-MONTH PERIOD

Member State:

CN code	Order No in Annex 7 to the Combined Nomenclature	Applicant (name and address)	Quantity (tonnes)	Country of origin
		Total (tonnes) by order number		

ANNEX X

APPLICATION OF ARTICLE 19

Commission of the European Communities

DG VI/D/1 — Milk and milk products

IMPORT LICENCE APPLICATIONS

Member State:

Period:

CN code	Applicant (name and address)	Quantity (tonnes)	Country of origin
			Turkey
	Total (tonnes):		

COMMISSION REGULATION (EC) No 1375/98

of 29 June 1998

opening import quotas in respect of special preferential raw cane sugar from the ACP States and India for supply to refineries in the period 1 July 1998 to 28 February 1999

THE COMMISSION OF THE EUROPEAN COMMUNITIES,

Having regard to the Treaty establishing the European Community,

Having regard to Council Regulation (EEC) No 1785/81 of 30 June 1981 on the common organisation of the market in sugar ⁽¹⁾, as last amended by Regulation (EC) No 1599/96 ⁽²⁾, and in particular Articles 14(2) and 37(6) thereof,

Whereas Article 37 of Regulation (EEC) No 1785/81 lays down that, during the marketing years 1995/96 to 2000/01 and in order to ensure adequate supplies to Community refineries, a special reduced duty is to be levied on imports of raw cane sugar originating in States with which the Community has concluded supply arrangements on preferential terms; whereas at present such agreements have been concluded by Council Decision 95/284/EC ⁽³⁾ only with the ACP States party to Protocol 8 on ACP sugar annexed to the Fourth ACP-EEC Lomé Convention, and with the Republic of India;

Whereas the quantities of special preferential sugar to be imported are calculated in accordance with the said Article 37 of Regulation (EEC) No 1785/81 on the basis of a Community forecast supply balance; whereas the balance indicates the need to import raw sugar and to open at this stage for the 1998/99 marketing year a tariff quota at the special reduced rate of duty as provided for in the abovementioned agreements so that the Community refineries' supply need can be met for part of the year; whereas the production forecasts for raw cane sugar are now available for the 1998/99 marketing year; whereas a tariff quota should be opened at this stage for part of the marketing year; whereas, because of the presumed maximum refining needs fixed by Member State and the shortfall resulting from the forecast supply balance, provision should be made to authorise imports for each refining Member State, for the period 1 July 1998 to 28 February 1999;

Whereas the above agreements lay down that the refiners in question must pay a minimum purchase price equal to

the guaranteed price for raw sugar, minus the adjustment aid fixed for the marketing year in question; whereas this minimum price must accordingly be fixed by taking account of the factors applying in the 1998/99 marketing year;

Whereas the measures provided for in this Regulation are in accordance with the opinion of the Management Committee for Sugar,

HAS ADOPTED THIS REGULATION:

Article 1

The following tariff quotas are hereby opened for the period 1 July 1998 to 28 February 1999 under Decision 95/284/EC in respect of imports of raw cane sugar for refining:

(a) 255 000 tonnes expressed as white sugar originating in the ACP States covered by that Decision, bearing the order No 09.4098;

and

(b) 10 000 tonnes expressed as white sugar originating in the Republic of India, bearing the order No 09.4099.

Article 2

1. A special reduced duty of ECU 5,41 per 100 kg of standard quality raw sugar shall apply to imports of the quantities referred to in Article 1.

2. Article 7 of Commission Regulation (EC) No 1916/95 ⁽⁴⁾ notwithstanding, the minimum purchase price to be paid by the Community refiners shall be fixed for the period referred to in Article 1 at ECU 49,68 per 100 kg of standard quality raw sugar.

Article 3

The following Member States are hereby authorized to import under the quotas referred to in Article 1 and on the terms laid down in Article 2(1) the following shortfall expressed as white sugar:

⁽¹⁾ OJ L 177, 1. 7. 1981, p. 4.

⁽²⁾ OJ L 206, 16. 8. 1996, p. 43.

⁽³⁾ OJ L 181, 1. 8. 1995, p. 22.

⁽⁴⁾ OJ L 184, 3. 8. 1995, p. 18.

- (a) Finland: 45 000 tonnes;
- (b) metropolitan France: 15 000 tonnes;
- (c) mainland Portugal: 190 000 tonnes;
- (d) United Kingdom: 15 000 tonnes.

Article 4

This Regulation shall enter into force on the day of its publication in the *Official Journal of the European Communities*.

It shall apply from 1 July 1998.

This Regulation shall be binding in its entirety and directly applicable in all Member States.

Done at Brussels, 29 June 1998.

For the Commission

Franz FISCHLER

Member of the Commission

COMMISSION REGULATION (EC) No 1376/98
of 29 June 1998

fixing Community producer and import prices for carnations and roses with a view to the application of the arrangements governing imports of certain floricultural products originating in Cyprus, Israel, Jordan, Morocco and the West Bank and the Gaza Strip

THE COMMISSION OF THE EUROPEAN COMMUNITIES,
Having regard to the Treaty establishing the European Community,

Having regard to Council Regulation (EEC) No 4088/87 of 21 December 1987 fixing conditions for the application of preferential customs duties on imports of certain flowers originating in Cyprus, Israel, Jordan, Morocco and the West Bank and the Gaza Strip ⁽¹⁾, as last amended by Regulation (EC) No 1300/97 ⁽²⁾, and in particular Article 5 (2) (a) thereof,

Whereas, pursuant to Article 2 (2) and Article 3 of above-mentioned Regulation (EEC) No 4088/87, Community import and producer prices are fixed each fortnight for uniflorous (bloom) carnations, multiflorous (spray) carnations, large-flowered roses and small-flowered roses and apply for two-weekly periods; whereas, pursuant to Article 1b of Commission Regulation (EEC) No 700/88 of 17 March 1988 laying down detailed rules for the application of the arrangements for the import into the Community of certain floricultural products originating in Cyprus, Israel, Jordan, Morocco and the West Bank and the Gaza Strip ⁽³⁾, as last amended by Regulation (EC) No 2062/

97 ⁽⁴⁾, those prices are determined for fortnightly periods on the basis of weighted prices provided by the Member States; whereas those prices should be fixed immediately so the customs duties applicable can be determined; whereas, to that end, provision should be made for this Regulation to enter into force immediately,

HAS ADOPTED THIS REGULATION:

Article 1

The Community producer and import prices for uniflorous (bloom) carnations, multiflorous (spray) carnations, large-flowered roses and small-flowered roses as referred to in Article 1b of Regulation (EEC) No 700/88 for a fortnightly period shall be as set out in the Annex.

Article 2

This Regulation shall enter into force on 1 July 1998.

It shall apply from 1 to 14 July 1998.

This Regulation shall be binding in its entirety and directly applicable in all Member States.

Done at Brussels, 29 June 1998.

For the Commission

Franz FISCHLER

Member of the Commission

⁽¹⁾ OJ L 382, 31. 12. 1987, p. 22.

⁽²⁾ OJ L 177, 5. 7. 1997, p. 1.

⁽³⁾ OJ L 72, 18. 3. 1988, p. 16.

⁽⁴⁾ OJ L 289, 22. 10. 1997, p. 1.

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(ECU/100 pieces)

Period from 1 to 14 July 1998				
Community producer price	Uniflorous (bloom) carnations	Multiflorous (spray) carnations	Large-flowered roses	Small-flowered roses
	15,32	13,35	24,64	10,29
Community import prices	Uniflorous (bloom) carnations	Multiflorous (spray) carnations	Large-flowered roses	Small-flowered roses
Israel	11,01	5,07	8,38	7,37
Morocco	14,82	14,72	—	—
Cyprus	—	—	—	—
Jordan	—	—	—	—
West Bank and Gaza Strip	—	—	—	—

COMMISSION REGULATION (EC) No 1377/98
of 29 June 1998
amending representative prices and additional duties for the import of certain
products in the sugar sector

THE COMMISSION OF THE EUROPEAN COMMUNITIES,
Having regard to the Treaty establishing the European Community,

Having regard to Council Regulation (EEC) No 1785/81 of 30 June 1981 on the common organization of the markets in the sugar sector ⁽¹⁾, as last amended by Regulation (EC) No 1599/96 ⁽²⁾,

Having regard to Commission Regulation (EC) No 1423/95 of 23 June 1995 laying down detailed implementing rules for the import of products in the sugar sector other than molasses ⁽³⁾, as last amended by Regulation (EC) No 624/98 ⁽⁴⁾, and in particular the second subparagraph of Article 1 (2), and Article 3 (1) thereof,

Whereas the amounts of the representative prices and additional duties applicable to the import of white sugar, raw sugar and certain syrups are fixed by Commission Regulation (EC) No 1222/97 ⁽⁵⁾, as last amended by Regulation (EC) No 1210/98 ⁽⁶⁾;

Whereas it follows from applying the general and detailed fixing rules contained in Regulation (EC) No 1423/95 to the information known to the Commission that the representative prices and additional duties at present in force should be altered to the amounts set out in the Annex hereto,

HAS ADOPTED THIS REGULATION:

Article 1

The representative prices and additional duties on imports of the products referred to in Article 1 of Regulation (EC) No 1423/95 shall be as set out in the Annex hereto.

Article 2

This Regulation shall enter into force on 30 June 1998.

This Regulation shall be binding in its entirety and directly applicable in all Member States.

Done at Brussels, 29 June 1998.

For the Commission

Franz FISCHLER

Member of the Commission

⁽¹⁾ OJ L 177, 1. 7. 1981, p. 4.

⁽²⁾ OJ L 206, 16. 8. 1996, p. 43.

⁽³⁾ OJ L 141, 24. 6. 1995, p. 16.

⁽⁴⁾ OJ L 85, 20. 3. 1998, p. 5.

⁽⁵⁾ OJ L 173, 1. 7. 1997, p. 3.

⁽⁶⁾ OJ L 166, 11. 6. 1998, p. 43.

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to the Commission Regulation of 29 June 1998 amending representative prices and the amounts of additional duties applicable to imports of white sugar, raw sugar and products covered by CN code 1702 90 99

(ECU)

CN code	Amount of representative prices per 100 kg net of product concerned	Amount of additional duty per 100 kg net of product concerned
1701 11 10 ⁽¹⁾	19,35	6,63
1701 11 90 ⁽¹⁾	19,35	12,40
1701 12 10 ⁽¹⁾	19,35	6,44
1701 12 90 ⁽¹⁾	19,35	11,88
1701 91 00 ⁽²⁾	22,59	14,59
1701 99 10 ⁽²⁾	22,59	9,42
1701 99 90 ⁽²⁾	22,59	9,42
1702 90 99 ⁽³⁾	0,23	0,41

⁽¹⁾ For the standard quality as defined in Article 1 of amended Council Regulation (EEC) No 431/68 (OJ L 89, 10. 4. 1968, p. 3).

⁽²⁾ For the standard quality as defined in Article 1 of Council Regulation (EEC) No 793/72 (OJ L 94, 21. 4. 1972, p. 1).

⁽³⁾ By 1 % sucrose content.