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(Acts whose publication is obligatory)

COMMISSION REGULATION (EC) No 12/2000
of 5 January 2000
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 1498/98 ⁽²⁾, and in particular Article 4 (1) thereof,

Whereas:

- (1) Regulation (EC) No 3223/94 lays down, pursuant to the outcome of the Uruguay Round multilateral trade negotiations, the criteria whereby the Commission fixes the standard values for imports from third countries, in respect of the products and periods stipulated in the Annex thereto;

- (2) 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 6 January 2000.

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

Done at Brussels, 5 January 2000.

For the Commission

Franz FISCHLER

Member of the Commission

⁽¹⁾ OJ L 337, 24.12.1994, p. 66.

⁽²⁾ OJ L 198, 15.7.1998, p. 4.

ANNEX

to the Commission Regulation of 5 January 2000 establishing the standard import values for determining the entry price of certain fruit and vegetables

(EUR/100 kg)

CN code	Third country code ⁽¹⁾	Standard import value
0702 00 00	052	87,4
	204	59,8
	624	106,6
	999	84,6
0707 00 05	052	116,8
	628	132,5
	999	124,7
0709 90 70	052	148,3
	204	51,0
	999	99,7
0805 10 10, 0805 10 30, 0805 10 50	052	51,3
	204	46,0
	220	26,4
	624	60,2
	999	46,0
0805 20 10	052	62,0
	204	50,9
	999	56,5
0805 20 30, 0805 20 50, 0805 20 70, 0805 20 90	052	89,7
	464	110,3
	624	77,6
	999	92,5
0805 30 10	052	63,4
	600	71,0
	624	91,6
	999	75,3
0808 10 20, 0808 10 50, 0808 10 90	400	88,9
	404	81,6
	720	48,4
	728	67,7
	999	71,7
0808 20 50	052	148,2
	064	69,4
	400	98,3
	999	105,3

⁽¹⁾ Country nomenclature as fixed by Commission Regulation (EC) No 2645/98 (OJ L 335, 10.12.1998, p. 22). Code '999' stands for 'of other origin'.

COMMISSION REGULATION (EC) No 13/2000**of 5 January 2000****fixing the maximum export refund for white sugar for the 21st partial invitation to tender issued within the framework of the standing invitation to tender provided for in Regulation (EC) No 1489/1999**

THE COMMISSION OF THE EUROPEAN COMMUNITIES,

Having regard to the Treaty establishing the European Community,

Having regard to Council Regulation (EC) No 2038/1999 of 13 September 1999 on the common organisation of the markets in the sugar sector ⁽¹⁾, and in particular the second subparagraph of Article 18(5) thereof,

Whereas:

- (1) Commission Regulation (EC) No 1489/1999 of 7 July 1999 on a standing invitation to tender to determine levies and/or refunds on exports of white sugar ⁽²⁾, requires partial invitations to tender to be issued for the export of this sugar;
- (2) pursuant to Article 9(1) of Regulation (EC) No 1489/1999 a maximum export refund shall be fixed, as the case may be, account being taken in particular of the state and foreseeable development of the Community

and world markets in sugar, for the partial invitation to tender in question;

- (3) following an examination of the tenders submitted in response to the 21st partial invitation to tender, the provisions set out in Article 1 should be adopted;
- (4) 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

For the 21st partial invitation to tender for white sugar issued pursuant to Regulation (EC) No 1489/1999 the maximum amount of the export refund is fixed at EUR 52,920/100 kg.

Article 2

This Regulation shall enter into force on 6 January 2000.

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

Done at Brussels, 5 January 2000.

For the Commission

Franz FISCHLER

Member of the Commission

⁽¹⁾ OJ L 252, 25.9.1999, p. 1.

⁽²⁾ OJ L 172, 8.7.1999, p. 27.

COMMISSION REGULATION (EC) No 14/2000**of 5 January 2000****fixing the export refunds on white sugar and raw sugar exported in its unaltered state**

THE COMMISSION OF THE EUROPEAN COMMUNITIES,

Having regard to the Treaty establishing the European Community,

Having regard to Council Regulation (EC) No 2038/1999 of 13 September 1999 on the common organisation of the markets in the sugar sector ⁽¹⁾, and in particular point (a) of the second subparagraph of Article 18(5) thereof,

Whereas:

- (1) Article 18 of Regulation (EC) No 2038/1999 provides that the difference between quotations or prices on the world market for the products listed in Article 1(1)(a) of that Regulation and prices for those products within the Community may be covered by an export refund;
- (2) Regulation (EC) No 2038/1999 provides that when refunds on white and raw sugar, undenatured and exported in its unaltered state, are being fixed account must be taken of the situation on the Community and world markets in sugar and in particular of the price and cost factors set out in Article 19 of that Regulation; whereas the same Article provides that the economic aspect of the proposed exports should also be taken into account;
- (3) the refund on raw sugar must be fixed in respect of the standard quality; the latter is defined in Article 1 of Council Regulation (EC) No 431/68 of 9 April 1968 determining the standard quality for raw sugar and fixing the Community frontier crossing point for calculating cif prices for sugar ⁽²⁾, as amended by Regulation (EC) No 3290/94 ⁽³⁾; furthermore, this refund should be fixed in accordance with Article 19(4) of Regulation (EC) No 2038/1999; candy sugar is defined in Commission Regulation (EC) No 2135/95 of 7 September 1995 laying down detailed rules of application for the grant of

export refunds in the sugar sector ⁽⁴⁾; the refund thus calculated for sugar containing added flavouring or colouring matter must apply to their sucrose content and, accordingly, be fixed per 1 % of the said content;

- (4) the world market situation or the specific requirements of certain markets may make it necessary to vary the refund for sugar according to destination;
- (5) in special cases, the amount of the refund may be fixed by other legal instruments;
- (6) the refund must be fixed every two weeks; whereas it may be altered in the intervening period;
- (7) it follows from applying the rules set out above to the present situation on the market in sugar and in particular to quotations or prices for sugar within the Community and on the world market that the refund should be as set out in the Annex hereto;
- (8) 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 export refunds on the products listed in Article 1(1)(a) of Regulation (EC) No 2038/1999, undenatured and exported in the natural state, are hereby fixed to the amounts shown in the Annex hereto.

Article 2

This Regulation shall enter into force on 6 January 2000.

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

Done at Brussels, 5 January 2000.

For the Commission

Franz FISCHLER

Member of the Commission

⁽¹⁾ OJ L 252, 25.9.1999, p. 1.

⁽²⁾ OJ L 89, 10.4.1968, p. 3.

⁽³⁾ OJ L 349, 31.12.1994, p. 105.

⁽⁴⁾ OJ L 214, 8.9.1995, p. 16.

ANNEX

to the Commission Regulation of 5 January 2000 fixing the export refunds on white sugar and raw sugar exported in its unaltered state

Product code	Amount of refund
	— EUR/100 kg —
1701 11 90 9100	43,38 ⁽¹⁾
1701 11 90 9910	43,77 ⁽¹⁾
1701 11 90 9950	⁽²⁾
1701 12 90 9100	43,38 ⁽¹⁾
1701 12 90 9910	43,77 ⁽¹⁾
1701 12 90 9950	⁽²⁾
	— EUR/1 % of sucrose × 100 kg —
1701 91 00 9000	0,4716
	— EUR/100 kg —
1701 99 10 9100	47,16
1701 99 10 9910	49,80
1701 99 10 9950	47,58
	— EUR/1 % of sucrose × 100 kg —
1701 99 90 9100	0,4716

⁽¹⁾ Applicable to raw sugar with a yield of 92 %; if the yield is other than 92 %, the refund applicable is calculated in accordance with the provisions of Article 19 (4) of Regulation (EC) No 2038/1999.

⁽²⁾ Fixing suspended by Commission Regulation (EEC) No 2689/85 (OJ L 255, 26.9.1985, p. 12), as amended by Regulation (EEC) No 3251/85 (OJ L 309, 21.11.1985, p. 14).

COMMISSION REGULATION (EC) No 15/2000**of 5 January 2000****fixing the representative prices and the additional import duties for molasses in the sugar sector**

THE COMMISSION OF THE EUROPEAN COMMUNITIES,

Having regard to the Treaty establishing the European Community,

Having regard to Council Regulation (EC) No 2038/1999 of 13 September 1999 on the common organization of the market in sugar ⁽¹⁾,

Having regard to Commission Regulation (EC) No 1422/95 of 23 June 1995 laying down detailed rules of application for imports of molasses in the sugar sector and amending Regulation (EEC) No 785/68 ⁽²⁾, and in particular Articles 1(2) and 3(1) thereof,

Whereas:

- (1) Regulation (EC) No 1422/95 stipulates that the cif import price for molasses, hereinafter referred to as the 'representative price', should be set in accordance with Commission Regulation (EEC) No 785/68 ⁽³⁾; that price should be fixed for the standard quality defined in Article 1 of the above Regulation;
- (2) the representative price for molasses is calculated at the frontier crossing point into the Community, in this case Amsterdam; that price must be based on the most favourable purchasing opportunities on the world market established on the basis of the quotations or prices on that market adjusted for any deviations from the standard quality; the standard quality for molasses is defined in Regulation (EEC) No 785/68;
- (3) when the most favourable purchasing opportunities on the world market are being established, account must be taken of all available information on offers on the world market, on the prices recorded on important third-country markets and on sales concluded in international trade of which the Commission is aware, either directly or through the Member States; under Article 7 of Regulation (EEC) No 785/68, the Commission may for this purpose take an average of several prices as a basis, provided that this average is representative of actual market trends;
- (4) the information must be disregarded if the goods concerned are not of sound and fair marketable quality or if the price quoted in the offer relates only to a small

quantity that is not representative of the market; offer prices which can be regarded as not representative of actual market trends must also be disregarded;

- (5) if information on molasses of the standard quality is to be comparable, prices must, depending on the quality of the molasses offered, be increased or reduced in the light of the results achieved by applying Article 6 of Regulation (EEC) No 785/68;
- (6) a representative price may be left unchanged by way of exception for a limited period if the offer price which served as a basis for the previous calculation of the representative price is not available to the Commission and if the offer prices which are available and which appear not to be sufficiently representative of actual market trends would entail sudden and considerable changes in the representative price;
- (7) where there is a difference between the trigger price for the product in question and the representative price, additional import duties should be fixed under the conditions set out in Article 3 of Regulation (EC) No 1422/95; should the import duties be suspended pursuant to Article 5 of Regulation (EC) No 1422/95, specific amounts for these duties should be fixed;
- (8) application of these provisions will have the effect of fixing the representative prices and the additional import duties for the products in question as set out in the Annex to this Regulation;
- (9) 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 representative prices and the additional duties applying to imports of the products referred to in Article 1 of Regulation (EC) No 1422/95 are fixed in the Annex hereto.

Article 2

This Regulation shall enter into force on 6 January 2000.

⁽¹⁾ OJ L 252, 25.9.1999, p. 1.

⁽²⁾ OJ L 141, 24.6.1995, p. 12.

⁽³⁾ OJ L 145, 27.6.1968, p. 12.

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

Done at Brussels, 5 January 2000.

For the Commission

Franz FISCHLER

Member of the Commission

ANNEX

fixing the representative prices and additional import duties applying to imports of molasses in the sugar sector

(in EUR)

CN code	Amount of the representative price in 100 kg net of the product in question	Amount of the additional duty in 100 kg net of the product in question	Amount of the duty to be applied to imports in 100 kg net of the product in question because of suspension as referred to in Article 5 of Regulation (EC) No 1422/95 ⁽²⁾
1703 10 00 ⁽¹⁾	6,54	0,17	—
1703 90 00 ⁽¹⁾	7,08	0,09	—

⁽¹⁾ For the standard quality as defined in Article 1 of amended Regulation (EEC) No 785/68.

⁽²⁾ This amount replaces, in accordance with Article 5 of Regulation (EC) No 1422/95, the rate of the Common Customs Tariff duty fixed for these products.

COMMISSION REGULATION (EC) No 16/2000

of 5 January 2000

repealing Regulation (EC) No 2558/1999 derogating temporarily from certain provisions on the issuing of export licences with advance fixing of the refund for agricultural products

THE COMMISSION OF THE EUROPEAN COMMUNITIES,

Having regard to the Treaty establishing the European Community,

Having regard to Council Regulation (EC) No 1255/1999 of 17 May 1999 on the common organisation of the market in milk and milk products ⁽¹⁾, and in particular Articles 26, 31 and 42 thereof, and to the corresponding provisions of the other regulations on the common organisation of markets in agricultural products,

Whereas:

(1) To ensure proper administration of the arrangements for issuing export licences with advance fixing of the refund during the transition from 1999 to the year 2000 in the face of possible disturbance in the transmission of data from the Member States to the Commission. Article 2 of Commission Regulation (EC) No 2558/1999 ⁽²⁾ provides for an extension of the periods of reflection, referred to in Article 1 of that Regulation for the issuing of export licences with advance fixing of the refund for products as regards milk and milk products, beef and veal, pigmeat, poultrymeat, eggs, fruit and vegetables, products processed from fruit and vegetables, wine, cereals, rice, sugar, olive oil and agricultural products exported as goods not falling within Annex I of the Treaty, to 10 days for applications submitted from 27 December 1999 to 10 January 2000.

(2) However, since the extension of the periods of reflection for the issuing of licenses is a temporary and exceptional measure, Article 3 of Regulation (EC) No 2558/1999 also lays down that the Commission may repeal this measure and re-establish the status quo in force before its application as soon as it notes that no disturbance has arisen in data transmission connected with the transition from 1999 to the year 2000 or that there is no further disturbance.

(3) In view of the fact that disturbances in the transmission of data from the Member States to the Commission have not arisen Regulation (EC) No 2558/1999 should be

repealed and the status quo in force before its application should be re-established as regards the periods for reflection in force for the issuing of export licences,

HAS ADOPTED THIS REGULATION:

Article 1

Regulation (EC) No 2558/1999 is hereby repealed.

Provided that no special measures are taken by the Commission, the periods for reflection for the issuing of export licences with advance fixing of the refund shall be the periods referred to in the following provisions:

- Article 10(1) of Commission Regulation (EC) No 174/1999 ⁽³⁾,
- Article 10(1) of Commission Regulation (EC) No 1445/95 ⁽⁴⁾,
- Article 3(3) of Commission Regulation (EC) No 1370/95 ⁽⁵⁾,
- Article 3(3) of Commission Regulation (EC) No 1371/95 ⁽⁶⁾,
- Article 3(3) of Commission Regulation (EC) No 1372/95 ⁽⁷⁾,
- Article 2(4) of Commission Regulation (EC) No 2190/96 ⁽⁸⁾,
- Article 4(2) of Commission Regulation (EC) No 1429/95 ⁽⁹⁾,
- Article 3(2) of Commission Regulation (EC) No 1685/95 ⁽¹⁰⁾,
- Article 7(3) of Commission Regulation (EC) No 1162/95 ⁽¹¹⁾,
- Article 3(2) of Commission Regulation (EC) No 2543/95 ⁽¹²⁾,
- the second indent of Article 9(1) of Commission Regulation (EC) No 1464/95 ⁽¹³⁾,
- Article 3(3) of Commission Regulation (EC) No 1223/94 ⁽¹⁴⁾.

Article 2

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

However, licences applied for prior to the entry into force of this Regulation for which the periods for reflection referred to in Article 1 have expired by that date shall be issued without delay. For all other licence applications the periods for reflection referred to in Article 1 shall apply.

⁽³⁾ OJ L 20, 27.1.1999, p. 8.

⁽⁴⁾ OJ L 143, 27.6.1995, p. 35.

⁽⁵⁾ OJ L 133, 17.6.1995, p. 9.

⁽⁶⁾ OJ L 133, 17.6.1995, p. 16.

⁽⁷⁾ OJ L 133, 17.6.1995, p. 26.

⁽⁸⁾ OJ L 292, 15.11.1996, p. 12.

⁽⁹⁾ OJ L 141, 24.6.1995, p. 28.

⁽¹⁰⁾ OJ L 161, 12.7.1995, p. 2.

⁽¹¹⁾ OJ L 117, 24.5.1995, p. 2.

⁽¹²⁾ OJ L 260, 31.10.1995, p. 33.

⁽¹³⁾ OJ L 144, 28.6.1995, p. 14.

⁽¹⁴⁾ OJ L 136, 31.5.1994, p. 33.

⁽¹⁾ OJ L 160, 26.6.1999, p. 48.

⁽²⁾ OJ L 310, 4.12.1999, p. 3.

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

Done at Brussels, 5 January 2000.

For the Commission

Franz FISCHLER

Member of the Commission

COMMISSION REGULATION (EC) No 17/2000
of 5 January 2000
fixing the import duties in the rice sector

THE COMMISSION OF THE EUROPEAN COMMUNITIES,

Having regard to the Treaty establishing the European Community,

Having regard to Council Regulation (EC) No 3072/95 of 22 December 1995 on the common organisation of the market in rice ⁽¹⁾, as last amended by Regulation (EC) No 2072/98 ⁽²⁾,

Having regard to Commission Regulation (EC) No 1503/96 of 29 July 1996 laying down detailed rules for the application of Council Regulation (EC) No 3072/95 as regards import duties in the rice sector ⁽³⁾, as last amended by Regulation (EC) No 2831/98 ⁽⁴⁾, and in particular Article 4(1) thereof,

- (1) Whereas Article 11 of Regulation (EC) No 3072/95 provides that the rates of duty in the Common Customs Tariff are to be charged on import of the products referred to in Article 1 of that Regulation; whereas, however, in the case of the products referred to in paragraph 2 of that Article, the import duty is to be equal to the intervention price valid for such products on importation and increased by a certain percentage according to whether it is husked or milled rice, minus the cif import price provided that duty does not exceed the rate of the Common Customs Tariff duties;
- (2) Whereas, pursuant to Article 12(3) of Regulation (EC) No 3072/95, the cif import prices are calculated on the basis of the representative prices for the product in question on the world market or on the Community import market for the product;
- (3) Whereas Regulation (EC) No 1503/96 lays down detailed rules for the application of Regulation (EC) No 3072/95 as regards import duties in the rice sector;
- (4) Whereas the import duties are applicable until new duties are fixed and enter into force; whereas they also remain in force in cases where no quotation is available from the source referred to in Article 5 of Regulation (EC) No 1503/96 during the two weeks preceding the next periodical fixing;
- (5) Whereas, in order to allow the import duty system to function normally, the market rates recorded during a reference period should be used for calculating the duties;
- (6) Whereas application of Regulation (EC) No 1503/96 results in import duties being fixed as set out in the Annexes to this Regulation,

HAS ADOPTED THIS REGULATION:

Article 1

The import duties in the rice sector referred to in Article 11(1) and (2) of Regulation (EC) No 3072/95 shall be those fixed in Annex I to this Regulation on the basis of the information given in Annex II.

Article 2

This Regulation shall enter into force on 6 January 2000.

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

Done at Brussels, 5 January 2000.

For the Commission

Franz FISCHLER

Member of the Commission

⁽¹⁾ OJ L 329, 30.12.1995, p. 18.

⁽²⁾ OJ L 265, 30.9.1998, p. 4.

⁽³⁾ OJ L 189, 30.7.1996, p. 71.

⁽⁴⁾ OJ L 351, 29.12.1998, p. 25.

ANNEX I

Import duties on rice and broken rice

(EUR/t)

CN code	Duties ⁽¹⁾				
	Third countries (except ACP and Bangladesh) ⁽²⁾	ACP ⁽¹⁾ ⁽²⁾ ⁽³⁾	Bangladesh ⁽⁴⁾	Basmati India and Pakistan ⁽⁵⁾	Egypt ⁽⁶⁾
1006 10 21	(7)	76,44	111,06		173,10
1006 10 23	(7)	76,44	111,06		173,10
1006 10 25	(7)	76,44	111,06		173,10
1006 10 27	(7)	76,44	111,06		173,10
1006 10 92	(7)	76,44	111,06		173,10
1006 10 94	(7)	76,44	111,06		173,10
1006 10 96	(7)	76,44	111,06		173,10
1006 10 98	(7)	76,44	111,06		173,10
1006 20 11	242,32	80,47	116,82		181,74
1006 20 13	242,32	80,47	116,82		181,74
1006 20 15	242,32	80,47	116,82		181,74
1006 20 17	213,99	70,56	102,65	0,00	160,49
1006 20 92	242,32	80,47	116,82		181,74
1006 20 94	242,32	80,47	116,82		181,74
1006 20 96	242,32	80,47	116,82		181,74
1006 20 98	213,99	70,56	102,65	0,00	160,49
1006 30 21	(7)	146,86	212,59		341,25
1006 30 23	(7)	146,86	212,59		341,25
1006 30 25	(7)	146,86	212,59		341,25
1006 30 27	(7)	146,86	212,59		341,25
1006 30 42	(7)	146,86	212,59		341,25
1006 30 44	(7)	146,86	212,59		341,25
1006 30 46	(7)	146,86	212,59		341,25
1006 30 48	(7)	146,86	212,59		341,25
1006 30 61	(7)	146,86	212,59		341,25
1006 30 63	(7)	146,86	212,59		341,25
1006 30 65	(7)	146,86	212,59		341,25
1006 30 67	(7)	146,86	212,59		341,25
1006 30 92	(7)	146,86	212,59		341,25
1006 30 94	(7)	146,86	212,59		341,25
1006 30 96	(7)	146,86	212,59		341,25
1006 30 98	(7)	146,86	212,59		341,25
1006 40 00	(7)	45,38	(7)		105,00

⁽¹⁾ The duty on imports of rice originating in the ACP States is applicable, under the arrangements laid down in Council Regulation (EC) No 1706/98 (OJ L 215, 1.8.1998, p. 12) and amended Commission Regulation (EC) No 2603/97 (OJ L 351, 23.12.1997, p. 22).

⁽²⁾ In accordance with Regulation (EC) No 1706/98, the duties are not applied to products originating in the African, Caribbean and Pacific States and imported directly into the overseas department of Réunion.

⁽³⁾ The import levy on rice entering the overseas department of Réunion is specified in Article 11(3) of Regulation (EC) No 3072/95.

⁽⁴⁾ The duty on imports of rice not including broken rice (CN code 1006 40 00), originating in Bangladesh is applicable under the arrangements laid down in Council Regulation (EEC) No 3491/90 (OJ L 337, 4.12.1990, p. 1) and amended Commission Regulation (EEC) No 862/91 (OJ L 88, 9.4.1991, p. 7).

⁽⁵⁾ No import duty applies to products originating in the OCT pursuant to Article 101(1) of amended Council Decision 91/482/EEC (OJ L 263, 19.9.1991, p. 1).

⁽⁶⁾ For husked rice of the Basmati variety originating in India and Pakistan, a reduction of EUR/t 250 applies (Article 4a of amended Regulation (EC) No 1503/96).

⁽⁷⁾ Duties fixed in the Common Customs Tariff.

⁽⁸⁾ The duty on imports of rice originating in and coming from Egypt is applicable under the arrangements laid down in Council Regulation (EC) No 2184/96 (OJ L 292, 15.11.1996, p. 1) and Commission Regulation (EC) No 196/97 (OJ L 31, 1.2.1997, p. 53).

ANNEX II

Calculation of import duties for rice

	Paddy	Indica rice		Japonica rice		Broken rice
		Husked	Milled	Husked	Milled	
1. Import duty (EUR/tonne)	(¹)	213,99	455,00	242,32	455,00	(¹)
2. Elements of calculation:						
(a) Arag cif price (EUR/tonne)	—	323,04	277,20	318,58	295,01	—
(b) fob price (EUR/tonne)	—	—	—	289,62	266,05	—
(c) Sea freight (EUR/tonne)	—	—	—	28,96	28,96	—
(d) Source	—	USDA	USDA	Operators	Operators	—

(¹) Duties fixed in the Common Customs Tariff.

COMMISSION REGULATION (EC) No 18/2000
of 5 January 2000
amending the import duties in the cereals sector

THE COMMISSION OF THE EUROPEAN COMMUNITIES,

Having regard to the Treaty establishing the European Community,

Having regard to Council Regulation (EEC) No 1766/92 of 30 June 1992 on the common organisation of the market in cereals ⁽¹⁾, as last amended by Regulation (EC) No 1253/1999 ⁽²⁾,

Having regard to Commission Regulation (EC) No 1249/96 of 28 June 1996 laying down detailed rules for the application of Council Regulation (EEC) No 1766/92 as regards import duties in the cereals sector ⁽³⁾, as last amended by Regulation (EC) No 2519/98 ⁽⁴⁾, and in particular Article 2 (1) thereof,

Whereas:

- (1) the import duties in the cereals sector are fixed by Commission Regulation (EC) No 2817/1999 ⁽⁵⁾, as amended by Regulation (EC) No 11/2000 ⁽⁶⁾;

- (2) Article 2, (1) of Regulation (EC) No 1249/96 provides that if during the period of application, the average import duty calculated differs by EUR 5 per tonne from the duty fixed, a corresponding adjustment is to be made; such a difference has arisen; whereas it is therefore necessary to adjust the import duties fixed in Regulation (EC) No 2817/1999,

HAS ADOPTED THIS REGULATION:

Article 1

Annexes I and II to Regulation (EC) No 2817/1999 are hereby replaced by Annexes I and II to this Regulation.

Article 2

This Regulation shall enter into force on 6 January 2000.

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

Done at Brussels, 5 January 2000.

For the Commission

Franz FISCHLER

Member of the Commission

⁽¹⁾ OJ L 181, 1.7.1992, p. 21.

⁽²⁾ OJ L 160, 26.6.1999, p. 18.

⁽³⁾ OJ L 161, 29.6.1996, p. 125.

⁽⁴⁾ OJ L 315, 25.11.1998, p. 7.

⁽⁵⁾ OJ L 340, 31.12.1999, p. 97.

⁽⁶⁾ OJ L 2, 5.1.2000, p. 65.

ANNEX I

Import duties for the products covered by Article 10(2) of Regulation (EEC) No 1766/92

CN code	Description	Import duty by land inland waterway or sea from Mediterranean, the Black Sea or Baltic Sea ports (EUR/tonne)	Import duty by air or by sea from other ports ⁽²⁾ (EUR/tonne)
1001 10 00	Durum wheat high quality	33,31	23,31
	medium quality ⁽¹⁾	43,31	33,31
1001 90 91	Common wheat seed	34,23	24,23
1001 90 99	Common high quality wheat other than for sowing ⁽³⁾	34,23	24,23
	medium quality	78,89	68,89
	low quality	91,70	81,70
1002 00 00	Rye	85,41	75,41
1003 00 10	Barley, seed	85,41	75,41
1003 00 90	Barley, other ⁽³⁾	85,41	75,41
1005 10 90	Maize seed other than hybrid	97,84	87,84
1005 90 00	Maize other than seed ⁽³⁾	97,84	87,84
1007 00 90	Grain sorghum other than hybrids for sowing	85,41	75,41

⁽¹⁾ In the case of durum wheat not meeting the minimum quality requirements for durum wheat of medium quality, referred to in Annex I to Regulation (EC) No 1249/96, the duty applicable is that fixed for low-quality common wheat.

⁽²⁾ For goods arriving in the Community via the Atlantic Ocean or via the Suez Canal (Article 2(4) of Regulation (EC) No 1249/96), the importer may benefit from a reduction in the duty of:

— EUR 3 per tonne, where the port of unloading is on the Mediterranean Sea, or

— EUR 2 per tonne, where the port of unloading is in Ireland, the United Kingdom, Denmark, Sweden, Finland or the Atlantic Coasts of the Iberian Peninsula.

⁽³⁾ The importer may benefit from a flat-rate reduction of EUR 14 or 8 per tonne, where the conditions laid down in Article 2(5) of Regulation (EC) No 1249/96 are met.

ANNEX II

Factors for calculating duties

(period from 30 December 1999 to 4 January 2000)

1. Averages over the two-week period preceding the day of fixing:

Exchange quotations	Minneapolis	Kansas-City	Chicago	Chicago	Minneapolis	Minneapolis	Minneapolis
Product (% proteins at 12 % humidity)	HRS2. 14 %	HRW2. 11,5 %	SRW2	YC3	HAD2	Medium quality (*)	US barley 2
Quotation (EUR/t)	115,17	99,32	89,73	79,04	150,80 (**)	140,80 (**)	98,59 (**)
Gulf premium (EUR/t)	34,86	6,04	2,82	7,38	—	—	—
Great Lakes premium (EUR/t)	—	—	—	—	—	—	—

(*) A discount of EUR 10/t (Article 4(1) of Regulation (EC) No 1249/96).

(**) Fob Gulf.

2. Freight/cost: Gulf of Mexico — Rotterdam: 15,28 EUR/t; Great Lakes — Rotterdam: 28,06 EUR/t.

3. Subsidy within the meaning of the third paragraph of Article 4(2) of Regulation (EC) No 1249/96: EUR 0,00/t (HRW2)
EUR 0,00/t (SRW2).

COMMISSION REGULATION (EC) No 19/2000
of 5 January 2000
amending the corrective amount applicable to the refund on cereals

THE COMMISSION OF THE EUROPEAN COMMUNITIES,

Having regard to the Treaty establishing the European Community,

Having regard to Council Regulation (EEC) No 1766/92 of 30 June 1992 on the common organisation of the market in cereals ⁽¹⁾, as last amended by Commission Regulation (EC) No 1253/1999 ⁽²⁾, and in particular Article 13(8) thereof,

- (1) Whereas the corrective amount applicable to the refund on cereals was fixed by Commission Regulation (EC) No 2402/1999 ⁽³⁾, as last amended by Regulation (EC) No 2816/1999 ⁽⁴⁾;
- (2) Whereas, on the basis of today's cif prices and cif forward delivery prices, taking foreseeable developments on the market into account, the corrective amount at present applicable to the refund on cereals should be altered;

- (3) Whereas the corrective amount must be fixed according to the same procedure as the refund; whereas it may be altered in the period between fixings,

HAS ADOPTED THIS REGULATION:

Article 1

The corrective amount referred to in Article 1(1)(a), (b) and (c) of Regulation (EEC) No 1766/92 which is applicable to the export refunds fixed in advance in respect of the products referred to, except for malt, is hereby altered to the amounts set out in the Annex hereto.

Article 2

This Regulation shall enter into force on 6 January 2000.

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

Done at Brussels, 5 January 2000.

For the Commission
Margot WALLSTRÖM
Member of the Commission

⁽¹⁾ OJ L 181, 1.7.1992, p. 21.

⁽²⁾ OJ L 160, 26.6.1999, p. 18.

⁽³⁾ OJ L 290, 12.11.1999, p. 26.

⁽⁴⁾ OJ L 340, 31.12.1999, p. 95.

ANNEX

to the Commission Regulation of 5 January 2000 amending the corrective amount applicable to the refund on cereals

(EUR/t)

Product code	Destination ⁽¹⁾	Current 1	1st period 2	2nd period 3	3rd period 4	4th period 5	5th period 6	6th period 7
1001 10 00 9200	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
1001 10 00 9400	01	0	-1,00	-2,00	-3,00	-4,00	—	—
1001 90 91 9000	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
1001 90 99 9000	03	0	0	0	-1,00	-1,50	-1,50	-1,50
	02	0	0	0	-1,00	-1,50	—	—
1002 00 00 9000	01	0	0	0	0	0	—	—
1003 00 10 9000	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
1003 00 90 9000	01	0	0	0	0	0	—	—
1004 00 00 9200	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
1004 00 00 9400	01	0	0	0	0	0	—	—
1005 10 90 9000	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
1005 90 00 9000	01	0	0	0	0	0	—	—
1007 00 90 9000	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
1008 20 00 9000	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
1101 00 11 9000	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
1101 00 15 9100	01	0	0	0	-1,37	-2,06	—	—
1101 00 15 9130	01	0	0	0	-1,28	-1,92	—	—
1101 00 15 9150	01	0	0	0	-1,18	-1,77	—	—
1101 00 15 9170	01	0	0	0	-1,09	-1,64	—	—
1101 00 15 9180	01	0	0	0	-1,02	-1,53	—	—
1101 00 15 9190	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
1101 00 90 9000	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
1102 10 00 9500	01	0	0	0	0	0	—	—
1102 10 00 9700	01	0	0	0	0	0	—	—
1102 10 00 9900	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
1103 11 10 9200	01	0	0	0	0	0	—	—
1103 11 10 9400	01	0	0	0	0	0	—	—
1103 11 10 9900	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
1103 11 90 9200	01	0	0	0	0	0	—	—
1103 11 90 9800	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—

(¹) The destinations are identified as follows:

01 all third countries,

02 other third countries,

03 Mauritania, Mali, Niger, Senegal, Burkina Faso, The Gambia, Guinea-Bissau, Guinea, Cape Verde, Sierra Leone, Liberia, Côte d'Ivoire, Ghana, Togo, Chad, Central African Republic, Benin, Cameroon, Equatorial Guinea, São Tomé and Príncipe, Gabon, Congo, Democratic Republic of the Congo, Rwanda, Burundi, Angola, Zambia, Malawi, Mozambique, Namibia, Botswana, Zimbabwe, Lesotho, Swaziland, Seychelles, The Comoros, Madagascar, Djibouti, Ethiopia, Eritrea and Mauritius.

NB: The zones are those defined in amended Commission Regulation (EEC) No 2145/92 (OJ L 214, 30.7.1992, p. 20).

**COMMISSION DIRECTIVE 1999/104/EC
of 22 December 1999**

amending the Annex to Council Directive 81/852/EEC on the approximation of the laws of the Member States relating to analytical, pharmacotoxicological and clinical standards and protocols in respect of the testing of veterinary medicinal products

(Text with EEA relevance)

THE COMMISSION OF THE EUROPEAN COMMUNITIES,

Having regard to the Treaty establishing the European Community,

Having regard to Council Directive 81/852/EEC of 28 September 1981 on the approximation of the laws of the Member States relating to analytical, pharmacotoxicological and clinical standards and protocols in respect of the testing of veterinary medicinal products ⁽¹⁾, as last amended by Directive 93/40/EEC ⁽²⁾, and in particular Article 2a(1) thereof,

- (1) Whereas Commission Decision 987/534/EC of 30 July 1997 on the prohibition of the use of material presenting risks as regards transmissible spongiform encephalopathies ⁽³⁾, as amended by Council Decision 98/745/EC ⁽⁴⁾, defines specified risks materials, provides for their elimination at source and prohibits their import into the Community;
- (2) Whereas, prior to being marketed, all veterinary medicinal products, whether they originate in the Community or are imported from third countries, are subject to an approval procedure in the context of which the treatment process of any raw material is evaluated, in conformity with the provisions of the Annex to Directive 81/852/EEC;
- (3) Whereas this approval procedure applies to all veterinary medicinal products to be placed on the market in the Community, notwithstanding the origin of the product or the raw materials contained therein; whereas, thereby, the compliance with Community law on veterinary medicinal products, starting materials and intermediate products which are imported into the Community to be used in the manufacture of veterinary medicinal products is systematically controlled and checked;
- (4) Whereas on 17 June 1999, the Committee for Veterinary Medicinal Products of the European Agency for the Evaluation of Medicinal Products adopted an updated Note for Guidance on minimising the risk of transmitting animal spongiform encephalopathy agents via veterinary medicinal products.

- (5) Whereas, in drafting this updated Note for Guidance, the Committee for Veterinary Medicinal Products of the European Agency for the evaluation of medicinal products took into account all relevant opinions of the Scientific Committee on Medicinal Products and Medical Devices, as well as the Scientific Steering Committee and additional scientific considerations which apply to the specific field of veterinary medicinal products;
- (6) Whereas, the Note for Guidance on minimising the risk of transmitting animal spongiform encephalopathy agents via veterinary medicinal products will have to be regularly updated and modified by the Committee for Veterinary Medicinal Products of the European Agency for the evaluation of medicinal products, taking into account the latest scientific developments;
- (7) Whereas the note for Guidance on minimising the risk of transmitting animal spongiform encephalopathy agents via veterinary medicinal products and its updates are published by the European Commission in Volume 7 of its publication 'The rules governing medicinal products in the European Union';
- (8) Whereas this Note for Guidance is considered to be adequate to assure that the risk of transmitting animal spongiform encephalopathy via veterinary medicinal products is minimised since manufacturers of veterinary medicinal products are obliged under Directive 81/852/EEC to take into account the relevant Community guidelines in assembling the dossier for application for marketing authorisation;
- (9) Whereas it contributes to the clarity of the legal situation and ensures the highest reasonable level of protection of animal and human health to amend the Annex to Directive 81/852/EEC to expressly made compliance with the above Note for Guidance binding within regard to all marketing authorisations for veterinary medicinal products and to provide for an appropriate phasing-in period for already existing marketing authorisations;
- (10) Whereas the measures provided for in this Directive are in conformity with the opinion of the Standing Committee for Veterinary Medicinal Products,

⁽¹⁾ OJ L 317, 6.11.1981, p. 16.

⁽²⁾ OJ L 214, 24.8.1993, p. 31.

⁽³⁾ OJ L 216, 8.8.1997, p. 95.

⁽⁴⁾ OJ L 358, 31.12.1998, p. 113.

HAS ADOPTED THIS DIRECTIVE:

Article 1

The Annex to Directive 81/852/EEC is hereby amended as shown in the Annex.

Article 2

1. Member States shall bring into force the laws, regulations and administrative provisions necessary to comply with this Directive no later than 1 January 2000.

2. Member States shall take the necessary measures to ensure that:

- applications for marketing authorisations for veterinary medicinal products lodged as from 1 October 2000 comply with the criteria set out in the Annex to this Directive;
- all marketing authorisations for veterinary medicinal products meet the criteria of the Annex to this Directive not later than 1 June 2001.

3. When the Member States adopt the provisions set out in paragraph 1, they shall contain a reference to this Directive or shall be accompanied by such reference at the time of their

official publication. The procedure for such references shall be adopted by the Member States.

4. The Member States shall communicate to the Commission the provisions of national law which they adopt in the field covered by this Directive.

Article 3

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

Article 4

This Directive is addressed to the Member States.

Done at Brussels, 22 December 1999.

For the Commission

Erkki LIIKANEN

Member of the Commission

ANNEX

A new paragraph C.(a) is inserted in Title I Part 2 and Title II Part 6 of the Annex to Directive 81/852/EEC.

'C.(a) Specific measures concerning the prevention of the transmission of animal spongiform encephalopathies
The applicant must demonstrate that the veterinary medical product is manufactured in accordance with the Note for Guidance on minimising the risk of transmitting animal spongiform encephalopathy agents via veterinary medicinal products and its updates, published by the European Commission in Volume 7 of its publication "The rules governing medicinal products in the European Union".'

II

(Acts whose publication is not obligatory)

COMMISSION

COMMISSION DECISION

of 30 November 1999

approving the programmes of checks aimed at the prevention of zoonoses presented for 2000 by the Member States and fixing the level of the Community's financial contribution

(notified under document number C(1999) 3985)

(Only the Danish, English and Finnish texts are authentic)

(2000/4/EC)

THE COMMISSION OF THE EUROPEAN COMMUNITIES,

Having regard to the Treaty establishing the European Community,

Having regard to Council Decision 90/424/EEC of 26 June 1990 on expenditure in the veterinary field ⁽¹⁾, as last amended by Decision 94/370/EC ⁽²⁾ and in particular Articles 24(6), 29 and 32 thereof,

Whereas:

- (1) Chapter 2 of Title III of Decision 90/424/EEC provides for the possibility of financial participation by the Community on checks aimed at the prevention of zoonoses;
- (2) Member States have submitted programmes for the prevention of zoonoses in their countries;
- (3) these programmes appear on the priority list of programmes for the eradication and surveillance of animal diseases which can benefit from financial participation from the Community in 2000 and which was established by Commission Decision 1999/702/EC ⁽³⁾;
- (4) in view of the programmes' important role in achieving the objectives pursued by the Community as regards the prevention of zoonoses, it is appropriate to fix the financial participation of the Community at 50 % of the costs incurred by the Member States concerned for the measures and up to a maximum amount of money for each programme;
- (5) the Community will make a financial contribution provided that the measures planned are carried out and

the authorities supply all the information necessary within the time limit laid down;

- (6) the measures provided for in this Decision are in accordance with the opinion of the Standing Veterinary Committee,

HAS ADOPTED THIS DECISION:

Article 1

1. The programme for the monitoring and control of salmonella in breeding poultry presented by Denmark is hereby approved for the period from 1 January 2000 to 31 December 2000.
2. The Community's financial contribution is hereby set as 50 % of the costs borne by Denmark for the implementation of the programme with a maximum of EUR 400 000, for:
 - according to the situation, the destruction of breeding poultry or the difference between the estimated value of the breeding poultry and the income from the sale of the heat-treated meat obtained from this poultry,
 - the destruction of incubated hatching eggs,
 - according to the situation, the destruction of non-incubated hatching eggs or the difference between the estimated value of the non-incubated hatching eggs and the income from the sale of the heat treated egg products obtained from the eggs.

Article 2

1. The programme for the monitoring and control of salmonella in breeding poultry presented by Ireland is hereby approved for the period from 1 January 2000 to 31 December 2000.

⁽¹⁾ OJ L 224, 18.9.1990, p. 19.

⁽²⁾ OJ L 168, 2.7.1994, p. 31.

⁽³⁾ OJ L 276, 27.10.1999, p. 19.

2. The Community's financial contribution is hereby set as 50 % of the costs borne by Ireland for the implementation of the programme with a maximum of EUR 50 000, for:

- according to the situation, the destruction of breeding poultry or the difference between the estimated value of the breeding poultry and the income from the sale of the heat-treated meat obtained from this poultry,
- the destruction of incubated hatching eggs,
- according to the situation, the destruction of non-incubated hatching eggs or the difference between the estimated value of the non-incubated hatching eggs and the income from the sale of the heat-treated egg products obtained from the eggs.

Article 3

1. The programme for the prevention of enterohemorrhagic *Escherichia coli* (EHEC) from contaminating foodstuffs presented by Finland is hereby approved for the period from 1 January 2000 to 31 December 2000.

2. The Community's financial contribution is hereby set as 50 % of the costs borne by Finland for the implementation of the programme with a maximum of EUR 125 000.

Article 4

The financial contribution of the Community for the programmes referred to under Articles 1 to 3 shall be granted subject to:

- (a) bringing into force by 1 January 2000 the laws, regulations and administrative provisions by the Member State concerned for implementing the programme;
- (b) forwarding a report to the Commission every four months on the progress of the programme and the costs incurred at the latest four weeks after the end of each reporting period;

- (c) forwarding a final report on the technical execution of the programme accompanied by supporting documents relating to the expenditure incurred by 1 June 2001 at the latest;

and provided that Community veterinary legislation has been respected.

Article 5

1. The Commission, in collaboration with the competent national authorities, may carry out on-the-spot checks to ensure that the measures and assisted expenditure have been carried out.

The Commission shall inform the Member States of the outcome of the checks.

2. Articles 8 and 9 of Council Regulation (EC) No 1258/1999 of 17 May 1999 on the financing of the common agricultural policy ⁽¹⁾ shall apply *mutatis mutandis*.

3. The financial contribution of the Community may only be granted if the programmes have effectively been implemented in line with Community rules.

Article 6

This Decision is addressed to Denmark, Ireland and Finland.

Done at Brussels, 30 November 1999.

For the Commission

David BYRNE

Member of the Commission

⁽¹⁾ OJ L 160, 26.6.1999, p. 103.

COMMISSION DECISION
of 30 November 1999
approving the programmes for the eradication and monitoring of animal diseases presented for the
year 2000 by the Member States

(notified under document number C(1999) 3986)

(2000/5/EC)

THE COMMISSION OF THE EUROPEAN COMMUNITIES,

Having regard to the Treaty establishing the European Community,

Having regard to Council Decision 90/424/EEC of 26 June 1990 on expenditure in the veterinary field ⁽¹⁾, as last amended by Decision 94/370/EC ⁽²⁾ and in particular Article 24 thereof,

Whereas:

- (1) Council Decision 90/424/EEC provides for the possibility of financial participation by the Community in the eradication and surveillance of animal diseases;
- (2) the Member States have submitted programmes for the eradication of animal diseases in their countries;
- (3) after examination of the programmes they were found to comply with the Community criteria relating to the eradication of these diseases in conformity with Council Decision 90/638/EEC of 27 November 1990 laying down Community criteria for the eradication and monitoring of certain animal diseases ⁽³⁾, as last amended by Council Directive 92/65/EEC ⁽⁴⁾;
- (4) these programmes appear on the priority list of programmes for the eradication and surveillance of animal diseases which can benefit from financial participation from the Community in 2000 and which was established by Commission Decision 1999/701/EC ⁽⁵⁾;
- (5) in the light of the importance of the programmes for the achievement of Community objectives in the field of animal health and public health, it is appropriate to fix the financial participation of the Community at 50 % of the costs incurred by the Member States concerned for the measures foreseen up to a maximum amount of money for each programme;
- (6) a financial contribution from the Community shall be granted insofar as the actions provided for are carried out and provided that the authorities supply all the necessary information within the time limits provided for;
- (7) the approval of some of those programmes shall not prejudice a decision of the Commission on rules for eradication of those diseases based on scientific advice;
- (8) the measures provided for in this Decision are in accordance with the opinion of the Standing Veterinary Committee,

HAS ADOPTED THIS DECISION:

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⁽¹⁾ OJ L 224, 18.9.1990, p. 19.

⁽²⁾ OJ L 168, 2.7.1994, p. 31.

⁽³⁾ OJ L 347, 12.12.1990, p. 27.

⁽⁴⁾ OJ L 268, 14.9.1992, p. 54.

⁽⁵⁾ OJ L 276, 27.10.1999, p. 16.

CHAPTER I**(Rabies)***Article 1*

1. The programme for the eradication of rabies presented by **Austria** is hereby approved for the period from 1 January 2000 to 31 December 2000.

2. Financial participation by the Community shall be at the rate of 50 % of the costs of purchase and distribution of vaccine plus baits by Austria up to a maximum of EUR 220 000.

Article 2

1. The programme for the eradication of rabies presented by **Belgium** is hereby approved for the period from 1 January 2000 to 31 December 2000.

2. Financial participation by the Community shall be at the rate of 50 % of the costs of purchase and distribution of vaccine plus baits by Belgium up to a maximum of EUR 165 000.

Article 3

1. The programme for the eradication of rabies presented by **Germany** is hereby approved for the period from 1 January 2000 to 31 December 2000.

2. Financial participation by the Community shall be at the rate of 50 % of the costs of purchase and distribution of vaccine plus baits by Germany up to a maximum of EUR 2 000 000.

Article 4

1. The programme for the eradication of rabies presented by **France** is hereby approved for the period from 1 January 2000 to 31 December 2000.

2. Financial participation by the Community shall be at the rate of 50 % of the costs of purchase and distribution of vaccine plus baits by France up to a maximum of EUR 300 000.

Article 5

1. The programme for the eradication of rabies presented by **Italy** is hereby approved for the period from 1 January 2000 to 31 December 2000.

2. Financial participation by the Community shall be at the rate of 50 % of the costs of purchase and distribution of vaccine plus baits by Italy up to a maximum of EUR 40 000.

Article 6

1. The programme for the eradication of rabies presented by **Luxembourg** is hereby approved for the period from 1 January 2000 to 31 December 2000.

2. Financial participation by the Community shall be at the rate of 50 % of the costs of purchase and distribution of vaccine plus baits by Luxembourg up to a maximum of EUR 70 000.

Article 7

1. The programme for the eradication of rabies presented by **Finland** is hereby approved for the period from 1 January 2000 to 31 December 2000.

2. Financial participation by the Community shall be at the rate of 50 % of the costs of purchase and distribution of vaccine plus baits by Finland up to a maximum of EUR 100 000.

CHAPTER II**(Bovine brucellosis)***Article 8*

1. The programme for the eradication of bovine brucellosis presented by **Spain** is hereby approved for the period from 1 January 2000 to 31 December 2000.

2. Financial participation by the Community shall be at the rate of 50 % of the costs incurred in Spain by way of compensation for owners for the slaughter of animals up to a maximum of EUR 3 000 000.

Article 9

1. The programme for the eradication of bovine brucellosis presented by **Greece** is hereby approved for the period from 1 January 2000 to 31 December 2000.

2. Financial participation by the Community shall be at the rate of 50 % of the costs incurred in Greece by way of compensation for owners for the slaughter of animals up to a maximum of EUR 600 000.

Article 10

1. The programme for the eradication of bovine brucellosis presented by **France** is hereby approved for the period from 1 January 2000 to 31 December 2000.

2. Financial participation by the Community shall be at the rate of 50 % of the costs incurred in France by way of compensation for owners for the slaughter of animals up to a maximum of EUR 850 000.

Article 11

1. The programme for the eradication of bovine brucellosis presented by **Ireland** is hereby approved for the period from 1 January 2000 to 31 December 2000.

2. Financial participation by the Community shall be at the rate of 50 % of the costs incurred in Ireland by way of compensation for owners for the slaughter of animals up to a maximum of EUR 5 000 000.

Article 12

1. The programme for the eradication of bovine brucellosis presented by **Italy** is hereby approved for the period from 1 January 2000 to 31 December 2000.

2. Financial participation by the Community shall be at the rate of 50 % of the costs incurred in Italy by way of compensation for owners for the slaughter of animals up to a maximum of EUR 1 700 000.

Article 13

1. The programme for the eradication of bovine brucellosis presented by **Portugal** is hereby approved for the period from 1 January 2000 to 31 December 2000.

2. Financial participation by the Community shall be at the rate of 50 % of the costs incurred in Portugal by way of compensation for owners for the slaughter of animals up to a maximum of EUR 2 200 000.

Article 14

1. The programme for the eradication of bovine brucellosis presented by the **United Kingdom/Northern Ireland** is hereby approved for the period from 1 January 2000 to 31 December 2000.

2. Financial participation by the Community shall be at the rate of 50 % of the costs incurred in the United Kingdom/Northern Ireland by way of compensation for owners for the slaughter of animals up to a maximum of EUR 900 000.

CHAPTER III**(Bovine tuberculosis)***Article 15*

1. The programme for the eradication of bovine tuberculosis presented by **Spain** is hereby approved for the period from 1 January 2000 to 31 December 2000.

2. Financial participation by the Community shall be at the rate of 50 % of the costs incurred in Spain by way of compensation for owners for the slaughter of animals up to a maximum of EUR 6 500 000.

Article 16

1. The programme for the eradication of bovine tuberculosis presented by **Greece** is hereby approved for the period from 1 January 2000 to 31 December 2000.

2. Financial participation by the Community shall be at the rate of 50 % of the costs incurred in Greece by way of compensation for owners for the slaughter of animals up to a maximum of EUR 100 000.

Article 17

1. The programme for the eradication of bovine tuberculosis presented by **Ireland** is hereby approved for the period from 1 January 2000 to 31 December 2000.

2. Financial participation by the Community shall be at the rate of 50 % of the costs incurred in Ireland for the purchase of tuberculin up to a maximum of EUR 770 000.

Article 18

1. The programme for the eradication of bovine tuberculosis presented by **Italy** is hereby approved for the period from 1 January 2000 to 31 December 2000.

2. Financial participation by the Community shall be at the rate of 50 % of the costs incurred in Italy by way of compensation for owners for the slaughter of animals up to a maximum of EUR 800 000.

Article 19

1. The programme for the eradication of bovine tuberculosis presented by the **United Kingdom/Northern Ireland** is hereby approved for the period from 1 January 2000 to 31 December 2000.

2. Financial participation by the Community shall be at the rate of 50 % of the costs of testing incurred in the United Kingdom/Northern Ireland up to a maximum of EUR 65 000.

CHAPTER IV**(Enzootic bovine leucosis)***Article 20*

1. The programme for the eradication of enzootic bovine leucosis presented by **Italy** is hereby approved for the period from 1 January 2000 to 31 December 2000.

2. Financial participation by the Community shall be at the rate of 50 % of the costs incurred in Italy by way of compensation for owners for the slaughter of animals up to a maximum of EUR 1 250 000.

Article 21

1. The programme for the eradication of enzootic bovine leucosis presented by **Portugal** is hereby approved for the period from 1 January 2000 to 31 December 2000.

2. Financial participation by the Community shall be at the rate of 50 % of the costs incurred in Portugal by way of compensation for owners for the slaughter of animals up to a maximum of EUR 2 200 000.

CHAPTER V**(Contagious bovine pleuropneumonia)***Article 22*

1. The programme for the eradication of contagious bovine pleuropneumonia presented by **Portugal** is hereby approved for the period from 1 January 2000 to 31 December 2000.

2. Financial participation by the Community shall be at the rate of 50 % of the costs incurred in Portugal by way of compensation for owners for the slaughter of animals up to a maximum of EUR 800 000.

CHAPTER VI

(Anaplasmosis, babesiosis, cowdriosis)

Article 23

1. The programme for the eradication of anaplasmosis and babesiosis in **Réunion** presented by France is hereby approved for the period from 1 January 2000 to 31 December 2000.

2. The programme for the eradication of babesiosis and cowdriosis in **Guadeloupe** presented by France is hereby approved for the period from 1 January 2000 to 31 December 2000.

3. Financial participation by the Community shall be at the rate of 50 % of the costs incurred by France for the implementation of the programmes referred to in paragraphs 1 and 2 up to a maximum of EUR 500 000.

CHAPTER VII

(Ovine and caprine brucellosis)

Article 24

1. The programme for the eradication of ovine and caprine brucellosis presented by **Greece** is hereby approved for the period from 1 January 2000 to 31 December 2000.

2. Financial participation by the Community shall be at the rate of 50 % of the costs of testing and vaccination, and those incurred in Greece by way of compensation for owners for the slaughter of animals up to a maximum of EUR 1 100 000.

Article 25

1. The programme for the eradication of ovine and caprine brucellosis presented by **Spain** is hereby approved for the period from 1 January 2000 to 31 December 2000.

2. Financial participation by the Community shall be at the rate of 50 % of the costs incurred in Spain by way of compensation for owners for the slaughter of animals up to a maximum of EUR 5 000 000.

Article 26

1. The programme for the eradication of ovine and caprine brucellosis presented by **France** is hereby approved for the period from 1 January 2000 to 31 December 2000.

2. Financial participation by the Community shall be at the rate of 50 % of the costs of testing and those incurred in France

by way of compensation for owners for the slaughter of animals up to a maximum of EUR 900 000.

Article 27

1. The programme for the eradication of ovine and caprine brucellosis presented by **Italy** is hereby approved for the period from 1 January 2000 to 31 December 2000.

2. Financial participation by the Community shall be at the rate of 50 % of the costs of testing and those incurred in Italy by way of compensation for owners for the slaughter of animals up to a maximum of EUR 4 500 000.

Article 28

1. The programme for the eradication of ovine and caprine brucellosis presented by **Portugal** is hereby approved for the period from 1 January 2000 to 31 December 2000.

2. Financial participation by the Community shall be at the rate of 50 % of the costs of testing and those incurred in Portugal by way of compensation for owners for the slaughter of animals up to a maximum of EUR 2 500 000.

CHAPTER VIII

(Scrapie)

Article 29

1. The programme for the eradication of scrapie presented by **Belgium** is hereby approved for the period from 1 January 2000 to 31 December 2000.

2. Financial participation by the Community shall be at the rate of 50 % of the costs of analysing and those incurred in Belgium by way of compensation for owners for the slaughter of animals up to a maximum of EUR 50 000.

Article 30

1. The programme for the eradication of scrapie presented by **France** is hereby approved for the period from 1 January 2000 to 31 December 2000.

2. Financial participation by the Community shall be at the rate of 50 % of the costs of analysing and those incurred in France by way of compensation for owners for the slaughter of animals up to a maximum of EUR 100 000.

Article 31

1. The programme for the eradication of scrapie presented by **Greece** is hereby approved for the period from 1 January 2000 to 31 December 2000.

2. Financial participation by the Community shall be at the rate of 50 % of the costs of analysing and those incurred in Greece by way of compensation for owners for the slaughter of animals up to a maximum of EUR 50 000.

Article 32

1. The programme for the eradication of scrapie presented by **Italy** is hereby approved for the period from 1 January 2000 to 31 December 2000.

2. Financial participation by the Community shall be at the rate of 50 % of the costs incurred in Italy by way of compensation for owners for the slaughter of animals up to a maximum of EUR 50 000.

Article 33

1. The programme for the eradication of scrapie presented by the **Netherlands** is hereby approved for the period from 1 January 2000 to 31 December 2000.

2. Financial participation by the Community shall be at the rate of 50 % of the costs of analysing incurred by the Netherlands up to a maximum of EUR 100 000.

Article 34

For the programmes referred to in Articles 29 to 33 costs of analysing are reimbursed up to 10 EUR per genotyping test, 15 EUR per histopathology test and 15 EUR per immunohistochemistry test.

CHAPTER IX**(African/classical swine fever, swine vesicular disease)***Article 35*

1. The programme for the eradication of African/classical swine fever presented by **Italy/Sardinia** is hereby approved for the period from 1 January 2000 to 31 December 2000.

2. Financial participation by the Community shall be at the rate of 50 % of the costs of virological and serological testing and those incurred in Italy by way of compensation for owners for the slaughter of animals up to a maximum of EUR 400 000.

Article 36

1. The programme for the eradication and control of swine vesicular disease and classical swine fever presented by **Italy** is hereby approved for the period from 1 January 2000 to 31 December 2000.

2. Financial participation by the Community shall be at the rate of 50 % of the costs of virological and serological testing and those incurred in Italy by way of compensation for owners for the slaughter of seropositive animals up to a maximum of EUR 300 000.

Article 37

1. The programme for the eradication of classical swine fever presented by **Germany** is hereby approved for the period from 1 January 2000 to 31 December 2000.

2. Financial participation by the Community shall be at the rate of 50 % of the costs of virological and serological testing

of domestic pigs and of the control of the wild boar population incurred in Germany up to a maximum of EUR 2 200 000.

CHAPTER X**(Aujeszky's disease)***Article 38*

1. The programme for the eradication of Aujeszky's disease presented by **Belgium** is hereby approved for the period from 1 January 2000 to 31 December 2000.

2. Financial participation by the Community shall be at the rate of 50 % of the costs of testing incurred in Belgium up to 1,25 EUR per test and to a maximum of EUR 3 800 000.

Article 39

1. The programme for the eradication of Aujeszky's disease presented by **Germany** is hereby approved for the period from 1 January 2000 to 31 December 2000.

2. Financial participation by the Community shall be at the rate of 50 % of the costs of testing incurred in Germany up to 1,25 EUR per test and to a maximum of EUR 1 242 000.

CHAPTER XI**(Final provisions)***Article 40*

The financial contribution of the Community for the programmes referred to under Articles 1 to 7 shall be granted subject to:

- (a) bringing into force by 1 January 2000 the laws, regulations and administrative provisions by the Member State concerned for implementing the programme;
- (b) forwarding a report to the Commission every six months on the progress of the programme and the costs incurred at the latest four weeks after the end of each reporting period;
- (c) forwarding a final report on the technical execution of the programme accompanied by justifying evidence as to the costs incurred by 1 June 2001 at the latest;

and provided that Community veterinary legislation has been respected.

Article 41

The financial contribution of the Community for the programmes referred to under Articles 8 to 39 shall be granted subject to:

- (a) bringing into force by 1 January 2000 the laws, regulations and administrative provisions by the Member State concerned for implementing the programme;
- (b) forwarding a report to the Commission every four months on the progress of the programme and the costs incurred at the latest four weeks after the end of each reporting period;

(c) forwarding a final report on the technical execution of the programme accompanied by justifying evidence as to the costs incurred by 1 June 2001 at the latest;

and provided that Community veterinary legislation has been respected.

Article 42

1. The Commission, in collaboration with the competent national authorities, may carry out on-the-spot checks to ensure that the measures and assisted expenditure have been carried out.

The Commission shall inform the Member States of the outcome of the checks.

2. Article 8 and 9 of Council Regulation (EC) No 1258/1999 of 17 May 1999 on the financing of the common agricultural policy ⁽¹⁾ shall apply *mutatis mutandis*.

3. The financial contribution of the Community may only be granted if the programmes have effectively been implemented in line with Community rules.

Article 43

This Decision is addressed to the Member States.

Done at Brussels, 30 November 1999.

For the Commission

David BYRNE

Member of the Commission

⁽¹⁾ OJ L 160, 26.6.1999, p. 103.

COMMISSION DECISION

of 10 December 1999

amending for the second time Decision 1999/507/EC on certain protection measures with regard to certain fruit bats, dogs and cats coming from Malaysia (Peninsula) and Australia

(notified under document number C(1999) 4249)

(Text with EEA relevance)

(2000/6/EC)

THE COMMISSION OF THE EUROPEAN COMMUNITIES,

Having regard to the Treaty establishing the European Community,

Having regard to Council Directive 91/496/EEC of 15 July 1991 laying down the principles governing the organisation of veterinary checks on animals entering the Community from third countries and amending Directives 89/662/EEC, 90/425/EEC and 90/675/EEC ⁽¹⁾, as last amended by Directive 96/43/EC ⁽²⁾, and in particular Article 18(7) thereof,

Whereas:

- (1) By Decision 1999/507/EC ⁽³⁾ the Commission has adopted protection measures with regard to certain fruit bats, dogs and cats coming from Malaysia (Peninsula) and Australia with regard to Nipah respective Hendra disease, including among others laboratory tests for dogs and cats destined for imports into the Community.
- (2) In the absence of internationally agreed standard testing procedures for Nipah disease, the test requirements for dogs and cats have been established in accordance with the official notification of the veterinary services of Malaysia to the Office International des Epizooties (OIE) of 28 May 1999.
- (3) By letter of 11 October 1999, the veterinary services of Malaysia have officially informed the Commission; that the required IgM capture ELISA test cannot be carried out and that the IgG capture ELISA is regarded to be the adequate test.
- (4) Therefore dogs and cats intended for import into Member States from Malaysia cannot be certified by the veterinary services in Malaysia in accordance with Community law.

- (5) The test requirements for dogs and cats imported from Malaysia must be modified so as to allow the use of a validated diagnostic test for the detection of antibody against Nipah disease virus.
- (6) For the sake of clarity provisions should be made allowing the transit of dogs and cats through international airports in Malaysia.
- (7) The measures provided for in this Decision are in accordance with the opinion of the Standing Veterinary Committee,

HAS ADOPTED THIS DECISION:

Article 1

Article 2 of Decision 1999/507/EC is amended as follows:

1. In the third indent of paragraph 2 the words 'IgM and' are deleted.
2. A third paragraph is added as follows:
'3. The prohibition referred to in paragraph 1 shall not apply to dogs and cats in transit, provided they remain within the perimeter of an international airport.'

Article 2

This Decision is addressed to the Member States.

Done at Brussels, 10 December 1999.

For the Commission

David BYRNE

Member of the Commission⁽¹⁾ OJ L 268, 24.9.1991, p. 56.⁽²⁾ OJ L 162, 1.7.1996, p. 1.⁽³⁾ OJ L 194, 27.7.1999, p. 66.

COMMISSION DECISION
of 20 December 1999
on import licences in respect of beef and veal products originating in Botswana, Kenya, Madagascar, Swaziland, Zimbabwe and Namibia

(notified under document number C(1999) 4947)

(2000/7/EC)

THE COMMISSION OF THE EUROPEAN COMMUNITIES,

Having regard to the Treaty establishing the European Community,

Having regard to Council Regulation (EC) No 1706/98 of 20 July 1998 on the arrangements applicable to agricultural products and goods resulting from the processing of agricultural products originating in the African, Caribbean and Pacific States (ACP States) and repealing Regulation (EEC) No 715/90 ⁽¹⁾, and in particular Article 30 thereof,

Having regard to Commission Regulation (EC) No 1918/98 of 9 September 1998 laying down detailed rules for the application in the beef and veal sector of Council Regulation (EC) No 1706/98 on the arrangements applicable to agricultural products and certain goods resulting from the processing of agricultural products originating in the African, Caribbean and Pacific States and repealing Regulation (EC) No 589/96 ⁽²⁾, and in particular Article 4 thereof,

- (1) Whereas Article 1 of Regulation (EC) No 1918/98 provides for the possibility of issuing import licences for beef and veal products; whereas, however, imports must take place within the limits of the quantities specified for each of these exporting non-member countries;
- (2) Whereas the applications for import licences submitted between 1 and 10 December 1999, expressed in terms of boned meat, in accordance with Regulation (EC) No 1918/98, do not exceed, in respect of products originating in Botswana, Kenya, Madagascar, Swaziland, Zimbabwe and Namibia, the quantities available from those States; whereas it is therefore possible to issue import licences in respect of the quantities applied for;
- (3) Whereas the quantities in respect of which licences may be applied for from 1 January 2000 should be fixed within the scope of the total quantity of 52 100 tonnes;
- (4) Whereas this Decision is without prejudice to Council Directive 72/462/EEC of 12 December 1972 on health and veterinary inspection problems upon importation of bovine, ovine and caprine animals and swine, fresh meat or meat products from third countries ⁽³⁾, as last amended by Directive 97/79/EC ⁽⁴⁾,

HAS ADOPTED THIS DECISION:

Article 1

The following Member States shall issue on 21 December 1999 import licences for beef and veal products, expressed as boned meat, originating in certain African, Caribbean and Pacific States, in respect of the following quantities and countries of origin:

Germany:

- 9,9 tonnes originating in Botswana,
- 242 tonnes originating in Namibia.

United Kingdom:

- 95,1 tonnes originating in Namibia.

Article 2

Licence applications may be submitted, pursuant to Article 3(2) of Regulation (EC) No 1918/98, during the first 10 days of January 2000 for the following quantities of boned beef and veal:

— Botswana:	18 916 tonnes,
— Kenya:	142 tonnes,
— Madagascar:	7 579 tonnes,
— Swaziland:	3 363 tonnes,
— Zimbabwe:	9 100 tonnes,
— Namibia:	13 000 tonnes.

Article 3

This Decision is addressed to the Member States.

Done at Brussels, 20 December 1999.

For the Commission

Franz FISCHLER

Member of the Commission

⁽¹⁾ OJ L 215, 1.8.1998, p. 12.

⁽²⁾ OJ L 250, 10.9.1998, p. 16.

⁽³⁾ OJ L 302, 31.12.1972, p. 28.

⁽⁴⁾ OJ L 24, 30.1.1998, p. 31.