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I

(Acts whose publication is obligatory)

COMMISSION REGULATION (EC) No 288/2000
of 7 February 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 8 February 2000.

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

Done at Brussels, 7 February 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.

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to the Commission Regulation of 7 February 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	109,0
	204	57,0
	212	104,9
	624	216,4
	999	121,8
0707 00 05	052	137,7
	628	166,1
	999	151,9
0709 10 00	220	190,9
	999	190,9
0709 90 70	052	130,2
	204	70,8
	628	144,3
	999	115,1
0805 10 10, 0805 10 30, 0805 10 50	052	32,3
	204	40,2
	212	41,1
	600	37,7
	624	61,3
	999	42,5
0805 20 10	204	60,0
	999	60,0
0805 20 30, 0805 20 50, 0805 20 70, 0805 20 90	052	61,4
	204	71,4
	464	136,2
	600	72,4
	624	70,3
	999	82,3
0805 30 10	052	62,1
	600	70,7
	624	66,2
	999	66,3
0808 10 20, 0808 10 50, 0808 10 90	039	83,4
	400	96,1
	404	90,0
	720	65,8
	728	73,7
	999	81,8
0808 20 50	064	70,0
	388	111,8
	400	112,8
	528	99,5
	720	66,3
	999	92,1

⁽¹⁾ Country nomenclature as fixed by Commission Regulation (EC) No 2543/1999 (OJ L 307, 2.12.1999, p. 46). Code '999' stands for 'of other origin'.

COMMISSION REGULATION (EC) No 289/2000
of 3 February 2000
concerning the classification of certain goods in the Combined Nomenclature

THE COMMISSION OF THE EUROPEAN COMMUNITIES,

Having regard to the Treaty establishing the European Community,

Having regard to Council Regulation (EEC) No 2658/87 of 23 July 1987 on the tariff and statistical nomenclature and on the Common Customs Tariff ⁽¹⁾, as last amended by Commission Regulation (EC) No 2626/1999 ⁽²⁾, and in particular Article 9 thereof,

Whereas:

- (1) In order to ensure uniform application of the Combined Nomenclature annexed to the said Regulation, it is necessary to adopt measures concerning the classification of the goods referred to in the Annex to this Regulation.
- (2) Regulation (EEC) No 2658/87 has set down the general rules for the interpretation of the Combined Nomenclature. Those rules also apply to any other nomenclature which is wholly or partly based on it or which adds any additional subdivision to it and which is established by specific Community provisions, with a view to the application of tariff and other measures relating to trade in goods.
- (3) Pursuant to the said general rules, the goods described in column 1 of the table annexed to the present Regulation must be classified under the CN codes indicated in column 2, by virtue of the reasons set out in column 3.
- (4) It is appropriate that binding tariff information issued by the customs authorities of Member States in respect of the classification of goods in the Combined Nomenclature

and which does not conform to the provisions of this Regulation, can continue to be invoked, under the provisions in Article 12(6) of Council Regulation (EEC) No 2913/92 of 12 October 1992 establishing the Community Customs Code ⁽³⁾, as last amended by European Parliament and Council Regulation (EC) No 955/1999 ⁽⁴⁾, for a period of three months by the holder.

- (5) The measures provided for in this Regulation are in accordance with the opinion of the Customs Code Committee,

HAS ADOPTED THIS REGULATION:

Article 1

The goods described in column 1 of the annexed table are classified within the Combined Nomenclature under the CN codes indicated in column 2 of the said table.

Article 2

Binding tariff information issued by the customs authorities of Member States which does not conform to the provisions of this Regulation can continue to be invoked under the provisions of Article 12(6) of Regulation (EEC) No 2913/92 for a period of three months.

Article 3

This Regulation shall enter into force on 20th 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, 3 February 2000.

For the Commission

Frederik BOLKESTEIN

Member of the Commission

⁽¹⁾ OJ L 256, 7.9.1987, p. 1.

⁽²⁾ OJ L 321, 14.12.1999, p. 3.

⁽³⁾ OJ L 302, 19.10.1992, p. 1.

⁽⁴⁾ OJ L 119, 7.5.1999, p. 1.

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Description	CN classification	Reasons
(1)	(2)	(3)
Leisurewear shoe with a plastic sole having a hard plastic plate attached by screws under the arc of the shoe and an upper made of leather (making up the greater part of the external surface), plastic and man-made fibre, with a whole vamp, without front metal protectors, not covering the ankles and with an insole of 24 cm or more The shoe is not recognisable as a man's or woman's shoe (See photograph No 592) (*)	6403 99 93	Classification is determined by General Rules 1 and 6 for the interpretation of the Combined Nomenclature, note 4(b) to Chapter 64 subheading note 1(a) to Chapter 64 and the wording of CN codes 6403, 6403 99 and 6403 99 93 The shoe, which is designed for sliding on pavements, rails and handrails, is not a shoe intended for a sporting activity. The goods cannot therefore be classified under CN code 6403 19 00

(*) The photograph is merely for illustrative purposes.





COMMISSION REGULATION (EC) No 290/2000
of 7 February 2000
on the supply of cereals as food aid

THE COMMISSION OF THE EUROPEAN COMMUNITIES,

Having regard to the Treaty establishing the European Community,

Having regard to Council Regulation (EC) No 1292/96 of 27 June 1996 on food-aid policy and food-aid management and special operations in support of food security ⁽¹⁾, and in particular Article 24(1)(b) thereof,

Whereas:

- (1) The abovementioned Regulation lays down the list of countries and organisations eligible for Community aid and specifies the general criteria on the transport of food aid beyond the fob stage.
- (2) Following the taking of a number of decisions on the allocation of food aid, the Commission has allocated cereals to certain beneficiaries.
- (3) It is necessary to make these supplies in accordance with the rules laid down by Commission Regulation (EC) No 2519/97 of 16 December 1997 laying down general rules for the mobilisation of products to be supplied

under Council Regulation (EC) No 1292/96 as Community food aid ⁽²⁾; it is necessary to specify the time limits and conditions of supply to determine the resultant costs,

HAS ADOPTED THIS REGULATION:

Article 1

Cereals shall be mobilised in the Community, as Community food aid for supply to the recipient listed in the Annex, in accordance with Regulation (EC) No 2519/97 and under the conditions set out in the Annex.

The tenderer is deemed to have noted and accepted all the general and specific conditions applicable. Any other condition or reservation included in his tender is deemed unwritten.

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 Brussels, 7 February 2000.

For the Commission

Franz FISCHLER

Member of the Commission

⁽¹⁾ OJ L 166, 5.7.1996, p. 1.

⁽²⁾ OJ L 346, 17.12.1997, p. 23.

ANNEX

LOT A

1. **Action No:** 45/99
2. **Beneficiary** ⁽²⁾: WFP (World Food Programme), via Cristoforo Colombo 426, I-00145 Roma
tel. (39-6) 65 13 29 88; fax 65 13 28 44/3; telex 626675 WFP I
3. **Beneficiary's representative:** to be designated by the recipient
4. **Country of destination:** East Timor
5. **Product to be mobilised:** maize
6. **Total quantity (tonnes net):** 4 412
7. **Number of lots:** 1
8. **Characteristics and quality of the product** ⁽³⁾ ⁽⁵⁾: see OJ C 114, 29.4.1991, p. 1 (II.A.(1)(d))
9. **Packaging** ⁽⁷⁾: see OJ C 267, 13.9.1996, p. 1 (1.0 A 1.c, 2.c and B.3)
10. **Labelling or marking** ⁽⁶⁾: see OJ C 114, 29.4.1991, p. 1 (II.A.(3))
 - Language to be used for the markings: Portuguese
 - Supplementary markings: —
11. **Method of mobilisation of the product:** the Community market
12. **Specified delivery stage:** free at port of shipment — fob stowed
13. **Alternative delivery stage:** —
14. a) **Port of shipment:** —
b) **Loading address:** —
15. **Port of landing:** —
16. **Place of destination:** —
 - port or warehouse of transit: —
 - overland transport route: —
17. **Period or deadline of supply at the specified stage:**
 - first deadline: 13.3—2.4.2000
 - second deadline: 27.3—16.4.2000
18. **Period or deadline of supply at the alternative stage:**
 - first deadline: —
 - second deadline: —
19. **Deadline for the submission of tenders (at 12 noon, Brussels time):**
 - first deadline: 22.2.2000
 - second deadline: 7.3.2000
20. **Amount of tendering guarantee:** EUR 5 per tonne
21. **Address for submission of tenders and tendering guarantees** ⁽¹⁾: Bureau de l'aide alimentaire, Attn. Mr T. Vestergaard Bâtiment Loi 130, bureau 7/46, Rue de la Loi/Wetstraat 200, B-1049 Bruxelles/Brussel telex 25670 AGREC B; fax (32-2) 296 70 03/296 70 04 (exclusively)
22. **Export refund** ⁽⁴⁾: refund applicable on 18.2.2000, fixed by Commission Regulation (EC) No 237/2000 (OJ L 24, 29.1.2000, p. 43)

LOT B

1. **Action No:** 46/99
2. **Beneficiary** ⁽²⁾: WFP (World Food Programme), via Cristoforo Colombo 426, I-00145 Roma
tel. (39-6) 65 13 29 88; fax 65 13 28 44/3; telex 626675 WFP I
3. **Beneficiary's representative:** to be designated by the recipient
4. **Country of destination:** East Timor
5. **Product to be mobilised:** milled rice (product code 1006 30 92 9900, 1006 30 94 9900, 1006 30 96 9900, 1006 30 98 9900)
6. **Total quantity (tonnes net):** 3 828
7. **Number of lots:** 1
8. **Characteristics and quality of the product** ⁽³⁾ ⁽⁵⁾: see OJ C 114, 29.4.1991, p. 1 (II.A.(1)(f))
9. **Packaging:** ⁽⁷⁾: see OJ C 267, 13.9.1996, p. 1 (1.0 A 1.c, 2.c and B.3)
10. **Labelling or marking** ⁽⁶⁾: see OJ C 114, 29.4.1991, p. 1 (II.A.(3))
— Language to be used for the markings: Portuguese
— Supplementary markings: —
11. **Method of mobilisation of the product:** the Community market
12. **Specified delivery stage:** free at port of shipment — fob stowed
13. **Alternative delivery stage:** —
14. a) **Port of shipment:** —
b) **Loading address:** —
15. **Port of landing:** —
16. **Place of destination:** —
— port or warehouse of transit: —
— overland transport route: —
17. **Period or deadline of supply at the specified stage:**
— first deadline: 13.3—2.4.2000
— second deadline: 27.3—16.4.2000
18. **Period or deadline of supply at the alternative stage:**
— first deadline: —
— second deadline: —
19. **Deadline for the submission of tenders (at 12 noon, Brussels time):**
— first deadline: 22.2.2000
— second deadline: 7.3.2000
20. **Amount of tendering guarantee:** EUR 5 per tonne
21. **Address for submission of tenders and tendering guarantees** ⁽¹⁾: Bureau de l'aide alimentaire, Attn. Mr T. Vestergaard Bâtiment Loi 130, bureau 7/46, Rue de la Loi/Wetstraat 200, B-1049 Bruxelles/Brussel telex 25670 AGREC B; fax (32-2) 296 70 03/296 70 04 (exclusively)
22. **Export refund** ⁽⁴⁾: refund applicable on 18.2.2000, fixed by Commission Regulation (EC) No 237/2000 (OJ L 24, 29.1.2000, p. 43)

Notes:

- (¹) Supplementary information: André Debongnie (tel. (32-2) 295 14 65),
Torben Vestergaard (tel. (32-2) 299 30 50).
- (²) The supplier shall contact the beneficiary or its representative as soon as possible to which consignment documents are required.
- (³) The supplier shall deliver to the beneficiary a certificate from an official entity certifying that for the product to be delivered the standards applicable, relative to nuclear radiation, in the Member State concerned, have not been exceeded. The radioactivity certificate must indicate the caesium-134 and -137 and iodine-131 levels.
- (⁴) Commission Regulation (EC) No 259/98 (OJ L 25, 31.1.1998, p. 39) is applicable as regards the export refund. The date referred to in Article 2 of the said Regulation is that indicated in point 22 of this Annex.
The supplier's attention is drawn to the last subparagraph of Article 4(1) of the above Regulation.
The photocopy of the export licence shall be sent as soon as the export declaration has been accepted (fax: (32-2) 296 20 05).
- (⁵) The supplier shall supply to the beneficiary or its representative, on delivery, the following document:
— phytosanitary certificate.
- (⁶) Notwithstanding OJ C 114 of 29 April 1991, point II.A(3)(c) is replaced by the following: 'the words "European Community"'.

- (⁷) Since the goods may be rebagged, the supplier must provide 2 % of empty bags of the same quality as those containing the goods, with the marking followed by a capital 'R'.

COMMISSION REGULATION (EC) No 291/2000
of 7 February 2000
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 (EC) No 2038/1999 of 13 September 1999 on the common organization of the markets in the sugar sector ⁽¹⁾,

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 ⁽²⁾, as last amended by Regulation (EC) No 624/98 ⁽³⁾, and in particular the second subparagraph of Article 1(2), and Article 3(1) thereof,

Whereas:

- (1) 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 1441/1999 ⁽⁴⁾, as last amended by Regulation (EC) No 72/2000 ⁽⁵⁾.

- (2) 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 8 February 2000.

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

Done at Brussels, 7 February 2000.

For the Commission

Franz FISCHLER

Member of the Commission

⁽¹⁾ OJ L 252, 25.9.1999, p. 1.

⁽²⁾ OJ L 141, 24.6.1995, p. 16.

⁽³⁾ OJ L 85, 20.3.1998, p. 5.

⁽⁴⁾ OJ L 166, 1.7.1999, p. 77.

⁽⁵⁾ OJ L 10, 14.1.2000, p. 8.

ANNEX

to the Commission Regulation of 7 February 2000 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

(EUR)

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⁾	15,60	8,72
1701 11 90 ⁽¹⁾	15,60	15,03
1701 12 10 ⁽¹⁾	15,60	8,49
1701 12 90 ⁽¹⁾	15,60	14,51
1701 91 00 ⁽²⁾	16,27	19,02
1701 99 10 ⁽²⁾	16,27	13,57
1701 99 90 ⁽²⁾	16,27	13,57
1702 90 99 ⁽³⁾	0,16	0,48

⁽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.

COMMISSION REGULATION (EC) No 292/2000**of 7 February 2000****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 abovementioned 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. 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. 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 8 February 2000.

It shall apply from 9 to 22 February 2000.

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

Done at Brussels, 7 February 2000.

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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(EUR/100 pieces)

Period: from 9 to 22 February 2000

Community producer price	Uniflorous (bloom) carnations	Multiflorous (spray) carnations	Large-flowered roses	Small-flowered roses
	16,19	12,41	56,73	20,48
Community import prices	Uniflorous (bloom) carnations	Multiflorous (spray) carnations	Large-flowered roses	Small-flowered roses
Israel	18,20	12,94	18,65	20,71
Morocco	19,11	16,82	—	—
Cyprus	—	—	—	—
Jordan	—	—	—	—
West Bank and Gaza Strip	—	—	—	—

II

(Acts whose publication is not obligatory)

COUNCIL

COUNCIL DECISION
of 31 January 2000
appointing a German member of the Committee of the Regions
(2000/106/EC)

THE COUNCIL OF THE EUROPEAN UNION,

Having regard to the Treaty establishing the European Community, and in particular Article 263 thereof,

Having regard to the Council Decision of 26 January 1998 ⁽¹⁾ appointing members and alternate members of the Committee of the Regions,

Whereas a seat as a member of the Committee has become vacant following the resignation of Mr Günter Meyer, member, notified to the Council on 17 November 1999;

Having regard to the proposal from the German Government,

HAS DECIDED AS FOLLOWS:

Sole Article

Mr Stanislaw Tillich is hereby appointed a member of the Committee of the Regions in place of Mr Günter Meyer for the remainder of his term of office, which expires on 25 January 2002.

Done at Brussels, 31 January 2000.

For the Council

The President

J. PINA MOURA

⁽¹⁾ OJ L 28, 4.2.1998, p. 19.

COUNCIL DECISION
of 31 January 2000
appointing a German alternate member of the Committee of the Regions

(2000/107/EC)

THE COUNCIL OF THE EUROPEAN UNION,

Having regard to the Treaty establishing the European Community, and in particular Article 263 thereof,

Having regard to the Council Decision of 26 January 1998 ⁽¹⁾ appointing members and alternate members of the Committee of the Regions,

Whereas a seat for a member of the Committee of the Regions has become vacant following the resignation of Mr Klaus Wedemeier, alternate member, as notified to the Council on 2 December 1999;

Having regard to the proposal from the German Government,

HAS DECIDED AS FOLLOWS:

Sole Article

Mr Ronald-Mike Neumeyer is hereby appointed an alternate member of the Committee of the Regions to replace Mr Klaus Wedemeier for the remainder of the latter's term of office, which runs until 25 January 2002.

Done at Brussels, 31 January 2000.

For the Council

The President

J. PINA MOURA

⁽¹⁾ OJ L 28, 4.2.1998, p. 19.

COUNCIL DECISION
of 31 January 2000
appointing a Luxembourg member of the Committee of the Regions

(2000/108/EC)

THE COUNCIL OF THE EUROPEAN UNION,

Having regard to the Treaty establishing the European Community, and in particular Article 263 thereof,

Having regard to the Council Decision of 26 January 1998 ⁽¹⁾ appointing members and alternate members of the Committee of the Regions,

Whereas a seat for a member of the Committee of the Regions has become vacant following the resignation of Ms Anne Brasseur, Luxembourg member, notified to the Council on 15 September 1999;

Having regard to the proposal from the Luxembourg Government,

HAS DECIDED AS FOLLOWS:

Sole Article

Ms Simone Beissel is hereby appointed a member of the Committee of the Regions in place of Ms Anne Brasseur for the remainder of her term of office, which runs until 25 January 2002.

Done at Brussels, 31 January 2000.

For the Council

The President

J. PINA MOURA

⁽¹⁾ OJ L 28, 4.2.1998, p. 19.

COUNCIL DECISION
of 31 January 2000
appointing a Spanish alternate member of the Committee of the Regions

(2000/109/EC)

THE COUNCIL OF THE EUROPEAN UNION,

Having regard to the Treaty establishing the European Community, and in particular Article 263 thereof,

Having regard to the Council Decision of 26 January 1998 ⁽¹⁾ appointing the members and alternate members of the Committee of the Regions,

Whereas a seat as an alternate member of the Committee of the Regions has become vacant following the resignation of Mr Juan Rodríguez Yuste, alternate member, notified to the Council on 10 January 2000,

Having regard to the proposal from the Spanish Government,

HAS DECIDED AS FOLLOWS:

Sole Article

Mr Jesús Gamallo Aller is hereby appointed an alternate member of the Committee of the Regions in place of Mr Juan Rodríguez Yuste for the remainder of his term of office, which runs until 25 January 2002.

Done at Brussels, 31 January 2000.

For the Council

The President

J. PINA MOURA

⁽¹⁾ OJ L 28, 4.2.1998, p. 19.

COUNCIL DECISION
of 31 January 2000
appointing a United Kingdom member of the Committee of the Regions

(2000/110/EC)

THE COUNCIL OF THE EUROPEAN UNION,

Having regard to the Treaty establishing the European Community, and in particular Article 263 thereof,

Having regard to the Council Decision of 26 January 1998 ⁽¹⁾ appointing members and alternate members of the Committee of the Regions,

Whereas a seat for a member of the Committee of the Regions has become vacant following the resignation of Ms Pam Warhurst, United Kingdom member, notified to the Council on 25 May 1999;

Having regard to the proposal from the United Kingdom Government,

HAS DECIDED AS FOLLOWS:

Sole Article

Ms Muriel Mary Barker is hereby appointed a member of the Committee of the Regions in place of Ms Pam Warhurst for the remainder of her term of office, which runs until 25 January 2002.

Done at Brussels, 31 January 2000.

For the Council

The President

J. PINA MOURA

⁽¹⁾ OJ L 28, 4.2.1998, p. 19.

COMMISSION

COMMISSION DECISION of 21 December 1999

designating a new antigen bank and making provisions for the transfer and storage of antigens within the framework of the Community action concerning reserves of foot-and-mouth disease vaccines

(notified under document number C(1999) 4782)

(2000/111/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 Council Regulation (EC) No 1258/99 ⁽²⁾, and in particular Article 14 thereof,

Having regard to Council Decision 91/666/EEC of 11 December 1991 establishing Community reserves of foot-and-mouth disease vaccines ⁽³⁾, as last amended by Council Decision 1999/762/CE ⁽⁴⁾, and in particular Articles 3(1), third indents and 7 thereof,

Whereas:

(1) In accordance with Article 3 of Decision 91/666/EEC the Commission, in accordance with the procedures laid down in Article 10 of that Decision, may designate premises for storage of Community reserves of foot-and-mouth disease antigen as long as they comply with the provisions of Articles 4 and 6 of that Decision.

(2) Article 3 of Commission Decision 93/590/EC of 5 November 1993, for the purchase of foot-and-mouth disease antigens within the framework of the Community action concerning reserves of foot-and-mouth disease vaccines ⁽⁵⁾, as last amended by Decision 95/471/EC ⁽⁶⁾, makes provisions for the antigen to be stored at three specified locations.

(3) Commission Decision 97/348/EC of 23 May 1997 for the purchase by the Community of foot-and-mouth disease antigens and for the formulation, production, bottling and distribution of vaccines against foot-and-mouth disease ⁽⁷⁾, details the distribution of newly purchased antigen to designated antigen banks.

(4) The premises of the Institute of Animal Health, Pirbright, United Kingdom, are no longer a designated Community antigen bank. Moreover, the former antigen bank at Pirbright refused to receive the quantities and types of antigen assigned by Decision 97/348/EC and this antigen has been stored in the premises of the manufacturer Merial SAS, Pirbright.

(5) With a view to necessary expenses and the revision of relevant legislation it appears appropriate to designate the manufacturer of the antigen, Merial SAS, Pirbright United Kingdom, as Community antigen bank and consequently to make provisions for the transfer of antigen stored at Institute for Animal Health, Pirbright, United Kingdom, for storage in the premises of Merial SAS, Pirbright.

(6) The Director-General of the Directorate-General responsible for Community veterinary legislation in the field of animal health shall be authorised to sign contracts with designated vaccine banks in private property.

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

⁽¹⁾ OJ L 224, 18.8.1990, p. 19.

⁽²⁾ OJ L 160, 26.6.1999, p. 103.

⁽³⁾ OJ L 368, 31.12.1991, p. 21.

⁽⁴⁾ OJ L 301, 24.11.1999, p. 6.

⁽⁵⁾ OJ L 280, 13.11.1993, p. 33.

⁽⁶⁾ OJ L 269, 11.11.1995, p. 29.

⁽⁷⁾ OJ L 148, 6.6.1997, p. 27.

HAS ADOPTED THIS DECISION:

Article 1

1. Without prejudice to Article 3(1), first and second indent, of Decision 91/666/EEC an antigen bank shall be established at Merial SAS, Pirbright, United Kingdom.
2. The quantities and types of antigen stored in accordance with Decision 93/590/EC in the Community antigen bank at Institute for Animal Health, Pirbright, United Kingdom, shall be transferred for storage to Merial SAS, Pirbright, United Kingdom. The transfer shall be carried out under the responsibility of Merial SAS.
3. The antigen purchased by the Community and assigned to the Community antigen bank in the premises of the Institute of Animal Health, Pirbright, in accordance with Decision 97/348/EC shall be stored in the premises of Merial SAS, Pirbright, United Kingdom.
4. To meet the objectives of paragraphs 2 and 3, the Commission shall conclude a contract, in the name of the European Community, with Merial SAS.

5. The Director-General of the Directorate-General responsible for Community veterinary legislation in the field of animal health shall be authorised to sign the contract on the transfer and storage of the quantities and types of antigen on behalf of the Commission of the European Communities.

Article 2

This Decision shall apply from 1 February 2000.

Article 3

This Decision is addressed to the Member States.

Done at Brussels, 21 December 1999.

For the Commission

David BYRNE

Member of the Commission

COMMISSION DECISION

of 14 January 2000

detailing the distribution between antigen banks of antigen reserves established within the framework of the Community action concerning reserves of foot-and-mouth disease vaccines and amending Commission Decisions 93/590/EC and 97/348/EC

(notified under document number C(2000) 1)

(Text with EEA relevance)

(2000/112/EC)

THE COMMISSION OF THE EUROPEAN COMMUNITIES,

Having regard to the Treaty establishing the European Community,

Having regard to Council Decision 91/666/EEC of 11 December 1991 establishing Community reserves of foot-and-mouth disease vaccines ⁽¹⁾, as last amended by Council Decision 1999/762/EC ⁽²⁾, and in particular Articles 7 thereof,

Whereas:

- (1) in accordance with Article 7 of Council Decision 91/666/EEC the Commission shall adopt detailed arrangements in particular with regard to the distribution of antigen reserves between antigen banks;
- (2) Article 3 of Commission Decision 93/590/EC of 5 November 1993, for the purchase of foot-and-mouth disease antigens within the framework of the Community action concerning reserves of foot-and-mouth disease vaccines ⁽³⁾ as last amended by Decision 95/471/EC ⁽⁴⁾, makes provisions for the antigen to be stored at three specified locations;
- (3) Commission Decision 97/348/EC of 23 May 1997 for the purchase by the Community of foot-and-mouth disease antigens and for the formulation, production, bottling and distribution of vaccines against foot-and-mouth disease ⁽⁵⁾, details the distribution of newly purchased antigen to designated antigen banks;
- (4) by Decision 2000/111/EC ⁽⁶⁾ the Commission designated Merial SAS, Pirbright, United Kingdom as a third antigen bank and made provisions for the transfer of antigen from a bank no longer designated;
- (5) as regards the quantities and types of antigen stored at designated antigen banks account must be taken of the new situation and for the sake of clarity these quantities

and types of antigen should be listed for each designated antigen bank according to the new situation;

- (6) the provisions of Article 3 of Decision 93/590/EC and of Article 5 of Decision 97/348/EC are no longer adapted to the new situation and should be repealed;
- (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

The quantities and types of antigen stored within the framework of Community reserves of foot-and-mouth disease antigen shall be distributed between designated antigen banks in accordance with the provisions in the Annex.

Article 2

1. Article 3 of Decision 93/590/EC is repealed.
2. Article 5 of Decision 97/348/EC is repealed.

Article 3

This Decision shall apply from 1 February 2000.

Article 4

This Decision is addressed to the Member States.

Done at Brussels, 14 January 2000.

For the Commission

David BYRNE

Member of the Commission

⁽¹⁾ OJ L 368, 31.12.1991, p. 21.

⁽²⁾ OJ L 301, 24.11.1999, p. 6.

⁽³⁾ OJ L 280, 13.11.1993, p. 33.

⁽⁴⁾ OJ L 269, 11.11.1995, p. 29.

⁽⁵⁾ OJ L 148, 6.6.1997, p. 27.

⁽⁶⁾ See page 19 of this Official Journal.

ANNEX

EUROPEAN ANTIGEN BANK	Designated antigen banks			EUROPEAN ANTIGEN BANK
	IZP Brescia	LNPB Lyon	Merial S.A.S. Pirbright	
Antigen type/subtype	Quantity ⁽¹⁾ (× 1 000 000)	Quantity ⁽¹⁾ (× 1 000 000)	Quantity ⁽¹⁾ (× 1 000 000)	Quantity ⁽¹⁾ (× 1 000 000) total per antigen
O1 — Manissa	2,5	2,5	—	5,0
O1 — BFS	—	2,5	2,5	5,0
A24 — Cruzeiro	—	2,5	2,5	5,0
A22 — Iraq	2,5	3,9	—	6,4
C1 — Noville	2,5	—	2,5	5,0
ASIA1 — Shamir	2,5	—	2,5	5,0
Quantity ⁽¹⁾ (× 1 000 000) total per site	10,0	11,4	10,0	31,4

⁽¹⁾ Quantity in vaccine equivalent antigen doses.

COMMISSION DECISION
of 14 January 2000
on amending Decision 1999/246/EEC approving certain contingency plans for the control of
classical swine fever

(Text with EEA relevance)

(2000/113/EC)

THE COMMISSION OF THE EUROPEAN COMMUNITIES,

Having regard to the Treaty establishing the European Community,

Having regard to Council Directive 80/217/EEC of 22 January 1980 introducing Community measures for the control of classical swine fever ⁽¹⁾, as last amended by Council Directive 93/384/EEC ⁽²⁾, and in particular Article 14b thereof,

Whereas:

- (1) The criteria to be applied *mutatis mutandis* when drawing up contingency plan for the control of classical swine fever have been laid down in Commission Decision 91/42/EEC ⁽³⁾;
- (2) Greece and Luxembourg have submitted for approval national contingency plans;
- (3) After examination these plans fulfil the criteria laid down in Decision 91/42/EEC and permit the desired objective to be attained subject to an effective implementation;
- (4) The Commission approved the contingency plans submitted by certain Member States with Decision 1999/246/EEC ⁽⁴⁾;

(5) Decision 1999/246/EEC must be amended to include the plans submitted by Greece and Luxembourg;

(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

The Annex to Decision 1999/246/EEC is replaced by the Annex to this Decision.

Article 2

This Decision is addressed to the Member States.

Done at Brussels, 14 January 2000.

For the Commission

David BYRNE

Member of the Commission

⁽¹⁾ OJ L 47, 21.1.1980, p. 11.

⁽²⁾ OJ L 166, 8.7.1993, p. 34.

⁽³⁾ OJ L 23, 29.1.1991, p. 29.

⁽⁴⁾ OJ L 93, 8.4.1999, p. 24.

ANNEX

Belgium
Denmark
Germany
Greece
Spain
France
Ireland
Italy
Luxembourg
The Netherlands
Austria
Portugal
Finland
Sweden
United Kingdom

COMMISSION DECISION
of 24 January 2000
on the eligibility of expenditure to be incurred by certain Member States in 2000 for the purpose
of introducing monitoring and control systems applicable to the common fisheries policy

(notified under document number C(2000) 71)

(2000/114/EC)

THE COMMISSION OF THE EUROPEAN COMMUNITIES,

Having regard to the Treaty establishing the European Community,

Having regard to Council Decision 95/527/EC of 8 December 1995 on a Community financial contribution towards certain expenditure incurred by the Member States in implementing the monitoring and control systems applicable to the common fisheries policy ⁽¹⁾, and in particular Article 6 thereof,

Whereas:

- (1) The Commission has received five-year programmes from Belgium, Denmark, Germany, Greece, Spain, France, Ireland, Italy, the Netherlands, Portugal, Finland, Sweden and the United Kingdom that describe the controls they intend to operate between 1 January 1996 and 31 December 2000.
- (2) These Member States have sent the Commission applications for a financial contribution towards the expenditure referred to in Article 2 of Decision 95/527/EC and planned for 2000.
- (3) Some applications cover investment expenditure for the purchase or modernisation of vessels, aircraft, land vehicles, systems to locate and record fishing activities and systems to record, manage and transmit data on the controls, including computer and software applications.
- (4) Some applications relate to expenditure for specific measures designed to improve the quality and effectiveness of the monitoring of fishing and related activities.
- (5) Some applications relate to expenditure for the training of national officials involved in control activities; Commission Decision 96/286/EC of 11 April 1996 laying down detailed rules for the application of Decision 95/527/EC on a Community financial contribution towards certain expenditure incurred by the Member States in implementing the monitoring and control systems applicable to the common fisheries policy ⁽²⁾ lays down rules for determining the amount of eligible expenditure for training.

- (6) Some applications also cover expenditure for trying out or introducing new technology to improve the monitoring of fishing activity and related activities, which can accordingly qualify for a higher rate of Community contribution under the second subparagraph of Article 3(2) of Decision 95/527/EC; priority should be given, within the annual budget allocation earmarked for these measures, to reimbursing investment costs associated with satellite monitoring systems in view of their importance for monitoring fishing activities.
- (7) Provision should be made for a higher rate of Community contribution to be granted to Ireland under the second subparagraph of Article 3(3) of Decision 95/527/EC for some of its investment and operating expenditure to take account of the checks needed to ensure compliance with the system for the management of fishing effort.
- (8) This expenditure will help to mobilise monitoring resources for the proper application of the common fisheries policy.
- (9) The eligibility of the planned expenditure, the rate of the Community contribution and the conditions that may be attached to the grant of the financial contribution should be established.
- (10) The measures provided for in this Decision are in accordance with the opinion of the Management Committee for Fisheries and Aquaculture,

HAS ADOPTED THIS DECISION:

Article 1

The planned expenditure for 2000 referred to in Annex I for the purchase or modernisation of inspection and control equipment and for specific measures, amounting to EUR 115 560 090, shall be eligible for a financial contribution under Decision 95/527/EC. The Community contribution shall be 50 % of the eligible expenditure incurred within the limits set out in Annex I, amounting to EUR 31 477 053, as set out in the table forwarded to each Member State.

⁽¹⁾ JO L 301, 14.12.1995, p. 30.

OJ L 302, 15.12.1995, p. 45 (corrigendum).

⁽²⁾ OJ L 106, 30.4.1996, p. 37.

Article 2

1. The planned expenditure for 2000 on the activities and projects referred to in Article 3(2) of Decision 95/527/EC and listed in annex II, amounting to EUR 6 993 371, shall be eligible for a financial contribution under Decision 95/527/EC. The Community contribution shall be 100 % of the eligible expenditure incurred.

The maximum amount taken into consideration in calculating the contribution towards investment expenditure for the purchase of a satellitebased vessel monitoring system, herein-after called a 'VMS', shall be EUR 4 000 per vessel.

2. Paragraph 1 notwithstanding, the Community contribution shall be 50 % of the eligible expenditure incurred in purchasing satellite tracking devices installed in Community fishing vessels being monitored by a VMS, in accordance with Article 3(2) of Council Regulation (EEC) No 2847/93 ⁽¹⁾, for any expenditure in excess of EUR 2 500 per vessel. For such vessels, the contribution shall not exceed EUR 3 250 per vessel.

In the case of Community fishing vessels being monitored by a VMS by the flag Member State and not covered by Article 3(2) of Regulation (EEC) No 2847/93, the Community contribution to the purchase of satellite tracking devices shall be 50 % of the eligible expenditure incurred and the contribution shall not exceed EUR 2 000 per vessel.

3. The Community contribution referred to in paragraphs 1 and 2 shall be granted within the limits set out in Annex II, amounting to EUR 3 438 427, as set out in the table forwarded to each Member State.

Article 3

The expenditure planned by Ireland for 2000, amounting to EUR 29 233 942 for investment expenditure and EUR 4 704 381 for operating expenditure, shall be eligible for

a financial contribution under Article 3(3) of Decision 95/527/EC. The Community contribution shall be 65 % and 100 %, respectively, of the eligible expenditure incurred. However, the contribution shall be granted up to a maximum of EUR 2 537 065 and EUR 3 000 000 respectively.

Article 4

1. The euro exchange rate used to calculate the amounts eligible under this Decision shall be the rate in force in June 1999.

2. The expenditure declarations and applications for advances in national currency received from the Member States not participating in the third stage of economic and monetary union shall be converted into euro at the rate for the month in which they reach the Commission.

Article 5

This Decision is addressed to the Kingdom of Belgium, the Kingdom of Denmark, the Federal Republic of Germany, the Hellenic Republic, the Kingdom of Spain, the French Republic, Ireland, the Italian Republic, the Kingdom of the Netherlands, the Portuguese Republic, the Republic of Finland, the Kingdom of Sweden and the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland.

Done at Brussels, 24 January 2000.

For the Commission

Franz FISCHLER

Member of the Commission

⁽¹⁾ OJ L 261, 20.10.1993, p. 1.

ANEXO I — BILAG I — ANHANG I — ΠΑΡΑΡΤΗΜΑ I — ANNEX I — ANNEXE I — ALLEGATO I — BIJLAGE I —
ANEXO I — LIITE I — BILAGA I

Estado miembro Medlemsstat Mitgliedstaat Κράτος μέλος Member State État membre Stato membro Lidstaat Estado-Membro Jäsenvaltio Medlemsstat	Gastos subvencionables en moneda nacional Støtteberettigede udgifter i national valuta Erstattungsfähige Ausgaben in nationaler Währung Επιλέξιμες δαπάνες σε εθνικό νόμισμα Eligible expenditure in national currency Dépenses admissibles en monnaie nationale Spese ammissibili in moneta nazionale In aanmerking komende uitgaven in nationale valuta Despesas elegíveis em moeda nacional Hyväksyttävät kustannukset kansallisessa valuutassa Bidragsberättigande kostnader i nationell valuta	Gastos subvencionables Støtteberettigede udgifter Erstattungsfähige Ausgaben Επιλέξιμες δαπάνες Eligible expenditure Dépenses admissibles Spese ammissibili In aanmerking komende uitgaven Despesas elegíveis Hyväksyttävät kustannukset Bidragsberättigande kostnader (€)	Contribución máxima de la Comunidad Fællesskabets maksimale finansielle bidrag Maximaler Gemeinschaftsbeitrag Μέγιστη κοινοτική συμμετοχή Maximum Community contribution Participation communautaire maximale Contributo massimo della Comunità Maximale bijdrage van de Gemeenschap Contribuição máxima da Comunidade Yhteisön osuus enintään Gemenskapens maximala bidrag (€)
België/Belgique		14 874	7 437
Danmark	DKK 82 400 000	11 087 191	5 449 410
Deutschland		2 502 531	1 097 645
Ελλάδα	GRD 7 221 300 000	22 212 550	1 263 150
España		11 108 367	5 358 626
France		12 935 757	6 406 900
Ireland		895 165	190 461
Italia		2 639 094	1 267 903
Nederland		9 047 470	4 343 360
Portugal		648 437	299 279
Suomi		235 464	20 184
Sverige	SEK 85 025 000	8 961 291	621 049
United Kingdom	GBP 21 779 783	33 271 899	5 151 649
Total/I alt/Σύνολο/Totale/Totaal/Yhteensä/Totalt		115 560 090	31 477 053

ANEXO II — BILAG II — ANHANG II — ΠΑΡΑΡΤΗΜΑ II — ANNEX II — ANNEXE II — ALLEGATO II — BIJLAGE II
— ANEXO II — LIITE II — BILAGA II

Estado miembro Medlemsstat Mitgliedstaat Κράτος μέλος Member State État membre Stato membro Lidstaat Estado-Membro Jäsenvaltio Medlemsstat	Gastos subvencionables en moneda nacional Støtteberettigede udgifter i national valuta Erstattungsfähige Ausgaben in nationaler Währung Επιλέξιμες δαπάνες σε εθνικό νόμισμα Eligible expenditure in national currency Dépenses admissibles en monnaie nationale Spese ammissibili in moneta nazionale In aanmerking komende uitgaven in nationale valuta Despesas elegíveis em moeda nacional Hyväksyttävät kustannukset kansallisessa valuutassa Bidragsberättigande kostnader i nationell valuta	Gastos subvencionables Støtteberettigede udgifter Erstattungsfähige Ausgaben Επιλέξιμες δαπάνες Eligible expenditure Dépenses admissibles Spese ammissibili In aanmerking komende uitgaven Despesas elegíveis Hyväksyttävät kustannukset Bidragsberättigande kostnader (€)	Contribución máxima de la Comunidad Fællesskabets maksimale finansielle bidrag Maximaler Gemeinschaftsbeitrag Μέγιστη κοινοτική συμμετοχή Maximum Community contribution Participation communautaire maximale Contributo massimo della Comunità Maximale bijdrage van de Gemeenschap Contribuição máxima da Comunidade Yhteisön osuus enintään Gemenskapens maximala bidrag (€)
België/Belgique		49 579	49 579
Danmark	DKK 2 000 000	269 107	269 107
Deutschland		127 823	127 823
Ελλάδα	GRD 785 300 000	2 415 565	496 000
España		1 502 530	500 000
France		600 000	487 500
Ireland		700 895	700 895
Italia		0	0
Nederland		0	0
Portugal		847 957	349 880
Suomi		121 095	111 548
Sverige	SEK 2 100 000	221 331	208 606
United Kingdom	GBP 90 000	137 489	137 489
Total/I alt/Σύνολο/Totale/Totaal/Yhteensä/Totalt		6 993 371	3 438 427