

Official Journal

of the European Communities

ISSN 0378-6978

L 69

Volume 43

17 March 2000

English edition

Legislation

Contents

I Acts whose publication is obligatory

- ★ **Council Regulation (EC) No 567/2000 of 14 February 2000 concerning the export of certain ECSC and EC steel products from the Czech Republic to the Community for the period 1 January to 31 December 2000 (extension of the double-checking system)** 1
- Commission Regulation (EC) No 568/2000 of 16 March 2000 establishing the standard import values for determining the entry price of certain fruit and vegetables 2
- Commission Regulation (EC) No 569/2000 of 16 March 2000 amending Regulation (EC) No 2805/95 fixing the export refunds in the wine sector 4
- Commission Regulation (EC) No 570/2000 of 16 March 2000 concerning applications for import licences for oat grains otherwise worked qualifying for the conditions referred to in Commission Regulation (EC) No 2369/96 7
- Commission Regulation (EC) No 571/2000 of 16 March 2000 temporarily suspending the issuing of export licences for certain milk products and determining what proportion of the amounts covered by pending applications for export licences may be allocated 8
- Commission Regulation (EC) No 572/2000 of 16 March 2000 fixing the export refunds on milk and milk products 9
- Commission Regulation (EC) No 573/2000 of 16 March 2000 fixing the export refunds on products processed from cereals and rice 17
- Commission Regulation (EC) No 574/2000 of 16 March 2000 fixing the export refunds on cereal-based compound feedingstuffs 19
- Commission Regulation (EC) No 575/2000 of 16 March 2000 fixing the rates of the refunds applicable to certain cereal and rice-products exported in the form of goods not covered by Annex I to the Treaty 21

Commission Regulation (EC) No 576/2000 of 16 March 2000 amending Regulation (EC) No 2993/94 fixing the aid for the supply of milk products to the Canary Islands under the arrangements provided for in Articles 2 to 4 of Council Regulation (EEC) No 1601/92	24
Commission Regulation (EC) No 577/2000 of 16 March 2000 amending Regulation (EEC) No 2219/92 laying down detailed rules for the application of the specific supply arrangements for Madeira relating to milk products regarding the amounts of aid	34
Commission Regulation (EC) No 578/2000 of 16 March 2000 amending the import duties in the cereals sector	40
Commission Regulation (EC) No 579/2000 of 16 March 2000 fixing the export refunds on cereals and on wheat or rye flour, groats and meal	43
Commission Regulation (EC) No 580/2000 of 16 March 2000 fixing the maximum export refund on common wheat in connection with the invitation to tender issued in Regulation (EC) No 1707/1999	45
Commission Regulation (EC) No 581/2000 of 16 March 2000 fixing the maximum export refund on common wheat in connection with the invitation to tender issued in Regulation (EC) No 2010/1999	46
Commission Regulation (EC) No 582/2000 of 16 March 2000 fixing the maximum export refund on barley in connection with the invitation to tender issued in Regulation (EC) No 1701/1999	47
Commission Regulation (EC) No 583/2000 of 16 March 2000 fixing the maximum export refund on rye in connection with the invitation to tender issued in Regulation (EC) No 1758/1999	48
Commission Regulation (EC) No 584/2000 of 16 March 2000 concerning tenders notified in response to the invitation to tender for the export of oats issued in Regulation (EC) No 1897/1999	49
Commission Regulation (EC) No 585/2000 of 16 March 2000 fixing the rates of the refunds applicable to certain milk products exported in the form of goods not covered by Annex I to the Treaty	50
Commission Regulation (EC) No 586/2000 of 16 March 2000 providing for the rejection of applications for export licences in relation to cereal products	52

II Acts whose publication is not obligatory

Council

2000/219/EC:

- ★ **Decision No 1/2000 of the EU-Czech Republic Association Council of 17 February 2000 extending the double-checking system established by Decision No 3/97 of the Association Council for the period from 1 January to 31 December 2000** 53

Commission

2000/220/EC:

- ★ **Commission Decision of 7 March 2000 listing the areas of Sweden eligible under Objective 2 of the Structural Funds for the period 2000 to 2006 (notified under document number C(2000) 554)** 54

EFTA Surveillance Authority

- ★ **EFTA Surveillance Authority Decision No 200/99/COL of 15 September 1999 establishing that the exploitation of geographical areas for the purpose of exploring for or extracting oil or gas does not constitute in Norway an activity defined in Article 2(2)(b)(i) of the Act referred to in point 4 of Annex XVI to the EEA Agreement (Council Directive 93/38/EEC) and that entities carrying on such an activity are not to be considered in Norway as operating under special or exclusive rights within the meaning of Article 2(3)(b) of the Act 61**

I

(Acts whose publication is obligatory)

**COUNCIL REGULATION (EC) No 567/2000
of 14 February 2000
concerning the export of certain ECSC and EC steel products from the Czech Republic to the
Community for the period 1 January to 31 December 2000 (extension of the double-checking
system)**

THE COUNCIL OF THE EUROPEAN UNION,

HAS ADOPTED THIS REGULATION:

Having regard to the Treaty establishing the European Community, and in particular Article 133 thereof,

Article 1

Having regard to the proposal from the Commission,

Regulation (EC) No 87/98 shall continue to apply for the period 1 January to 31 December 2000, in accordance with the provisions of Decision No 1/2000 of the Association Council between the European Communities and their Member States, of the one part, and the Czech Republic, of the other part.

Whereas:

Article 2

(1) The Europe Agreement establishing an association between the European Communities and their Member States, of the one part, and the Czech Republic, of the other part ⁽¹⁾, entered into force on 1 February 1995.

Regulation (EC) No 87/98 shall in consequence be amended as follows:

(2) The Parties decided by Decision No 1/2000 of the Association Council ⁽²⁾ to extend the double-checking system introduced by Decision No 3/97 of the Association Council ⁽³⁾, for the period 1 January to 31 December 2000.

In the title, preamble and Article 1(1) and (4), references to the period '1 January to 31 December 1999' shall be replaced by references to '1 January to 31 December 2000'.

(3) It is consequently necessary to extend the Community implementing legislation introduced by Council Regulation (EC) No 87/98 of 19 December 1997 concerning the export of certain ECSC and EC steel products from the Czech Republic to the Community for the period 1 January to 31 December 1998 (extension of the double-checking system) ⁽⁴⁾,

Article 3

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

It shall apply with effect from 1 January 2000.

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

Done at Brussels, 14 February 2000.

For the Council

The President

J. GAMA

⁽¹⁾ OJ L 360, 31.12.1994, p. 2.

⁽²⁾ See page 53 of this Official Journal.

⁽³⁾ OJ L 13, 19.1.1998, p. 99. Decision as amended by Decision No 7/98 of the Association Council (OJ L 29, 3.2.1999, p. 26).

⁽⁴⁾ OJ L 13, 19.1.1998, p. 43. Regulation as amended by Regulation (EC) No 248/1999. (OJ L 29, 3.2.1999, p. 1).

COMMISSION REGULATION (EC) No 568/2000
of 16 March 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 17 March 2000.

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

Done at Brussels, 16 March 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 16 March 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	154,0
	204	99,0
	624	165,4
	999	139,5
0707 00 05	052	109,0
	068	130,6
	628	152,5
	999	130,7
0709 10 00	220	180,1
	999	180,1
0709 90 70	052	103,3
	204	54,1
	999	78,7
0805 10 10, 0805 10 30, 0805 10 50	052	67,1
	204	36,3
	212	42,1
	220	31,0
	600	41,9
	624	54,1
	999	45,4
0805 30 10	052	33,7
	600	57,4
	999	45,5
0808 10 20, 0808 10 50, 0808 10 90	388	123,4
	400	90,5
	404	87,5
	508	87,3
	512	91,3
	528	94,3
	720	64,2
	728	97,0
	999	91,9
	388	81,5
0808 20 50	400	106,6
	512	75,2
	528	71,1
	999	83,6

⁽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 569/2000
of 16 March 2000
amending Regulation (EC) No 2805/95 fixing the export refunds in the wine sector

THE COMMISSION OF THE EUROPEAN COMMUNITIES,

Having regard to the Treaty establishing the European Community,

Having regard to Council Regulation (EEC) No 822/87 of 16 March 1987 on the common organisation of the market in wine ⁽¹⁾, as last amended by Regulation (EC) No 1677/1999 ⁽²⁾, and in particular Article 55(3) thereof,

Whereas:

- (1) Pursuant to Article 55 of Regulation (EEC) No 822/87 to the extent necessary to enable the products listed in Article 1(2)(a) and (b) of that Regulation to be exported on the basis of the prices for those products on the world market and within the limits of the Agreements concluded in accordance with Article 228 of the Treaty, the difference between those prices and the prices in the Community may be covered by an export refund.
- (2) Pursuant to Article 56(3) of Regulation (EEC) No 822/87, refunds are to be fixed taking into account the situation and likely trends with regard to:
 - prices and availability of the products in question on the Community market,
 - world market prices for those products.
- (3) Account must also be taken of the other criteria and objectives referred to in Article 56(3) of Regulation (EEC) No 822/87. In particular, consideration must be

given to the limits of the Agreements concluded in accordance with Article 228 of the Treaty, and in particular those resulting from the agreements concluded in the framework of the Uruguay Round of multilateral trade negotiations.

- (4) When applying the abovementioned rules to the current market situation, the refunds should be fixed in accordance with the Annex to this Regulation; whereas Commission Regulation (EC) No 2805/95 of 5 December 1995 fixing the export refunds in the wine sector ⁽³⁾, as last amended by Regulation (EC) No 2131/1999 ⁽⁴⁾, should be amended accordingly and provision made to implement it immediately.
- (5) The measures provided for in this Regulation are in accordance with the opinion of the Management Committee for Wines,

HAS ADOPTED THIS REGULATION:

Article 1

The Annex to Regulation (EC) No 2805/95 is hereby replaced by the Annex to this Regulation.

Article 2

This Regulation shall enter into force on 17 March 2000.

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

Done at Brussels, 16 March 2000.

For the Commission

Franz FISCHLER

Member of the Commission

⁽¹⁾ OJ L 84, 27.3.1987, p. 1.
⁽²⁾ OJ L 199, 30.7.1999, p. 8.

⁽³⁾ OJ L 291, 6.12.1995, p. 10.
⁽⁴⁾ OJ L 261, 7.10.1999, p. 31.

ANNEX

ANNEX

CN code	Product code	For export to (1)	Refund (EUR/hl)
2009 60 11 2009 60 19 2009 60 51 2009 60 71 2204 30 92 2204 30 94 2204 30 96 2204 30 98	9100	01	43,359 43,359 43,359 43,359 43,359 11,488 43,359 11,488
2204 21 79 2204 21 79 2204 21 83	9120 9220 9120	02 and 03 02 and 03	4,543
2204 21 79	9180	02	7,419
2204 21 80	9180	02	9,742
2204 21 79	9180	03	7,172
2204 21 80	9180	03	9,419
2204 21 79	9280	02	8,685
2204 21 80	9280	02	11,406
2204 21 79	9280	03	8,396
2204 21 80	9280	03	11,027
2204 21 83	9180	02	10,132
2204 21 84	9180	02	13,307
2204 21 83	9180	03	9,795
2204 21 84	9180	03	12,865
2204 21 79	9910	02 and 03	4,543
2204 21 94 2204 21 98	9910	02 and 03	14,250
2204 29 62 2204 29 64 2204 29 65 2204 29 83	9120	02 and 03	4,543
2204 29 62 2204 29 64 2204 29 65	9220	02 and 03	4,543
2204 29 62 2204 29 64 2204 29 65	9180	02	7,419
2204 29 71 2204 29 72 2204 29 75	9180	02	9,742

CN code	Product code	For export to ⁽¹⁾	Refund (EUR/hl)
2204 29 62 2204 29 64 2204 29 65	9180	03	7,172
2204 29 71 2204 29 72 2204 29 75	9180	03	9,419
2204 29 62 2204 29 64 2204 29 65	9280	02	8,685
2204 29 71 2204 29 72 2204 29 75	9280	02	11,406
2204 29 62 2204 29 64 2204 29 65	9280	03	8,396
2204 29 71 2204 29 72 2204 29 75	9280	03	11,027
2204 29 83	9180	02	10,132
2204 29 84	9180	02	13,307
2204 29 83	9180	03	9,795
2204 29 84	9180	03	12,865
2204 29 62 2204 29 64 2204 29 65	9910	02 and 03	4,543
2204 29 94 2204 29 98	9910	02 and 03	14,250

⁽¹⁾ The destinations are as follows:

- 01 — Libya — Nigeria — Cameroon — Gabon,
 - Saudi Arabia, United Arab Emirates, India, Thailand, Vietnam, Indonesia, Malaysia, Brunei, Singapore, Philippines, China, Hong Kong SAR, South Korea, Japan, Taiwan, Equatorial Guinea,
- 02 all countries of the African continent with the exception of:
 - Algeria,
 - Morocco,
 - Tunisia,
 - South Africa,
- 03 all destinations, with the exception of:
 - Africa,
 - America,
 - Australia,
 - Bosnia-Herzegovina,
 - Croatia,
 - Cyprus,
 - Israel,
 - The Republic of Serbia and Montenegro,
 - Slovenia,
 - Switzerland,
 - The former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia,
 - Turkey,
 - Hungary,
 - Bulgaria,
 - Romania.'

**COMMISSION REGULATION (EC) No 570/2000
of 16 March 2000**

**concerning applications for import licences for oat grains otherwise worked qualifying for the
conditions referred to in Commission Regulation (EC) No 2369/96**

THE COMMISSION OF THE EUROPEAN COMMUNITIES,

Having regard to the Treaty establishing the European Community,

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

Whereas:

- (1) Commission Regulation (EC) No 2369/96 of 12 December 1996 opening and providing for the administration of a Community tariff quota for 10 000 tonnes of oat grains otherwise worked falling within CN code 1104 22 98 ⁽²⁾, as amended by Regulation (EC) No 630/97 ⁽³⁾, establishes special rules governing the organisation of imports under the quota.
- (2) Article 3(3) of Regulation (EC) No 2369/96 lays down that the Commission must set a percentage for the reduction of quantities if the applications for import licences exceed the quantities that may be allocated.

Applications for licences submitted on 13 March 2000 relate to 1 039,92 tonnes of oat grains otherwise worked and the maximum quantity to be allocated is 1 000 tonnes. The appropriate percentage of reduction for import licence applications submitted on 13 March 2000 and qualifying for the conditions provided for in Regulation (EC) No 2369/96 must therefore be set,

HAS ADOPTED THIS REGULATION:

Article 1

Applications for import licences for oat grains otherwise worked qualifying for the conditions provided for in Regulation (EC) No 2369/96 submitted on 13 March 2000 and notified to the Commission shall be accepted for the tonnage indicated therein multiplied by a coefficient of 0,96. Applications not notified to the Commission shall be refused.

Article 2

This Regulation shall enter into force on 19 March 2000.

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

Done at Brussels, 16 March 2000.

For the Commission

Franz FISCHLER

Member of the Commission

⁽¹⁾ OJ L 146, 20.6.1996, p. 1.

⁽²⁾ OJ L 323, 13.12.1996, p. 8.

⁽³⁾ OJ L 96, 11.4.1997, p. 5.

**COMMISSION REGULATION (EC) No 571/2000
of 16 March 2000**

**temporarily suspending the issuing of export licences for certain milk products and determining
what proportion of the amounts covered by pending applications for export licences may be
allocated**

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⁾,

Having regard to Commission Regulation (EC) No 174/1999 of 26 January 1999 laying down special detailed rules for the application of Regulation (EEC) No 804/68 as regards export licences and export refunds in the case of milk and milk products ⁽²⁾, as amended by Regulation (EC) No 1596/1999 ⁽³⁾, and in particular Article 10(3) thereof,

Whereas:

- (1) Uncertainty is a feature of the market in certain milk products; It is necessary to prevent speculative applications that may lead to a distortion in competition between traders, threatening the continuity of exports of those products for the remainder of the current period; The issuing of export licences for the products concerned should be temporarily suspended, and

licences for some of these products should not be issued in respect of applications pending.

- (2) The measures provided for in this Regulation are in accordance with the opinion of the Management Committee for Milk and Milk Products,

HAS ADOPTED THIS REGULATION:

Article 1

1. The issuing of export licences for products falling within CN codes 0402 21 and 0402 29 is hereby suspended from 17 March 2000.

2. No further action shall be taken in respect of applications for licences pending for products falling within CN codes 0402 21 and 0402 29 which would have been issued from 17 March 2000 with the exception of those referred to in Article 8(1) of Regulation (EC) No 174/1999.

Article 2

This Regulation shall enter into force on 17 March 2000.

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

Done at Brussels, 16 March 2000.

For the Commission

Franz FISCHLER

Member of the Commission

⁽¹⁾ OJ L 160, 26.6.1999, p. 48.

⁽²⁾ OJ L 20, 27.1.1999, p. 8.

⁽³⁾ OJ L 188, 21.7.1999, p. 39.

COMMISSION REGULATION (EC) No 572/2000
of 16 March 2000
fixing the export refunds on milk and milk 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 Article 31(3) thereof,

Whereas:

(1) Article 31 of Regulation (EC) No 1255/1999 provides that the difference between prices in international trade for the products listed in Article 1 of that Regulation and prices for those products within the Community may be covered by an export refund within the limits resulting from agreements concluded in accordance with Article 300 of the Treaty.

(2) Regulation (EC) No 1255/1999 provides that when the refunds on the products listed in Article 1 of the above-mentioned Regulation, exported in the natural state, are being fixed, account must be taken of:

- the existing situation and the future trend with regard to prices and availabilities of milk and milk products on the Community market and prices for milk and milk products in international trade,
- marketing costs and the most favourable transport charges from Community markets to ports or other points of export in the Community, as well as costs incurred in placing the goods on the market of the country of destination,
- the aims of the common organisation of the market in milk and milk products which are to ensure equilibrium and the natural development of prices and trade on this market,
- the limits resulting from agreements concluded in accordance with Article 300 of the Treaty, and
- the need to avoid disturbances on the Community market, and
- the economic aspect of the proposed exports.

(3) Article 31(5) of Regulation (EC) No 1255/1999 provides that when prices within the Community are being determined account should be taken of the ruling prices which are most favourable for exportation, and that

when prices in international trade are being determined particular account should be taken of:

- (a) prices ruling on third country markets;
- (b) the most favourable prices in third countries of destination for third country imports;
- (c) producer prices recorded in exporting third countries, account being taken, where appropriate, of subsidies granted by those countries; and
- (d) free-at-Community-frontier offer prices.

(4) Article 31(3) of Regulation (EC) No 1255/1999 provides that the world market situation or the specific requirements of certain markets may make it necessary to vary the refund on the products listed in Article 1 of the abovementioned Regulation according to destination.

(5) Article 31(3) of Regulation (EC) No 1255/1999 provides that the list of products on which export refunds are granted and the amount of such refunds should be fixed at least once every four weeks; the amount of the refund may, however, remain at the same level for more than four weeks.

(6) In accordance with Article 16 of Commission Regulation (EC) No 174/1999 of 26 January 1999 on specific detailed rules for the application of Council Regulation (EC) No 804/68 as regards export licences and export refunds on milk and milk products ⁽²⁾, as amended by Regulation (EC) No 1596/1999 ⁽³⁾; the refund granted for milk products containing added sugar is equal to the sum of the two components; one is intended to take account of the quantity of milk products and is calculated by multiplying the basic amount by the milk products content in the product concerned; the other is intended to take account of the quantity of added sucrose and is calculated by multiplying the sucrose content of the entire product by the basic amount of the refund valid on the day of exportation for the products listed in Article 1(1)(d) of Council Regulation (EC) No 2038/1999 of 13 September 1999 on the common organisation of the markets in the sugar sector ⁽⁴⁾, however, this second component is applied only if the added sucrose has been produced using sugar beet or cane harvested in the Community.

⁽²⁾ OJ L 20, 27.1.1999, p. 8.

⁽³⁾ OJ L 188, 21.7.1999, p. 39.

⁽⁴⁾ OJ L 252, 25.9.1999, p. 1.

⁽¹⁾ OJ L 160, 26.6.1999, p. 48.

- (7) Commission Regulation (EEC) No 896/84 ⁽¹⁾, as last amended by Regulation (EEC) No 222/88 ⁽²⁾, laid down additional provisions concerning the granting of refunds on the change from one milk year to another; those provisions provide for the possibility of varying refunds according to the date of manufacture of the products.
- (8) For the calculation of the refund for processed cheese provision must be made where casein or caseinates are added for that quantity not to be taken into account.
- (9) It follows from applying the rules set out above to the present situation on the market in milk and in particular to quotations or prices for milk products within the Community and on the world market that the refund should be as set out in the Annex to this Regulation.
- (10) The Management Committee for Milk and Milk Products has not delivered an opinion within the time limit set by its chairman,

HAS ADOPTED THIS REGULATION:

Article 1

1. The export refunds referred to in Article 31 of Regulation (EC) No 1255/1999 on products exported in the natural state shall be as set out in the Annex.
2. There shall be no refunds for exports to destination No 400 for products falling within CN codes 0401, 0402, 0403, 0404, 0405 and 2309.
3. There shall be no refunds for exports to destinations No 021, 023, 024, 028, 043, 044, 045, 046, 052, 404, 600, 800 and 804 for products falling within CN code 0406.

Article 2

This Regulation shall enter into force on 17 March 2000.

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

Done at Brussels, 16 March 2000.

For the Commission

Franz FISCHLER

Member of the Commission

⁽¹⁾ OJ L 91, 1.4.1984, p. 71.

⁽²⁾ OJ L 28, 1.2.1988, p. 1.

ANNEX

to the Commission Regulation of 16 March 2000 fixing the export refunds on milk and milk products

(in EUR/100 kg net weight unless otherwise indicated)

Product code	Destination (*)	Amount of refund	Product code	Destination (*)	Amount of refund
0401 10 10 9000	970	2,327	0402 21 91 9900	+	138,00
	***	—	0402 21 99 9100	+	104,30
0401 10 90 9000	970	2,327	0402 21 99 9200	+	105,00
	***	—	0402 21 99 9300	+	106,30
0401 20 11 9100	970	2,327	0402 21 99 9400	+	113,60
	***	—	0402 21 99 9500	+	116,20
0401 20 11 9500	970	3,597	0402 21 99 9600	+	125,90
	***	—	0402 21 99 9700	+	131,60
0401 20 19 9100	970	2,327	0402 21 99 9900	+	138,00
	***	—	0402 29 15 9200	+	0,7220
0401 20 19 9500	970	3,597	0402 29 15 9300	+	0,9140
	***	—	0402 29 15 9500	+	0,9630
0401 20 91 9100	970	4,551	0402 29 15 9900	+	1,0360
	***	—	0402 29 19 9200	+	0,7220
0401 20 91 9500	+	—	0402 29 19 9300	+	0,9140
0401 20 99 9100	970	4,551	0402 29 19 9500	+	0,9630
	***	—	0402 29 19 9900	+	1,0360
0401 20 99 9500	+	—	0402 29 91 9100	+	1,0430
0401 30 11 9100	+	—	0402 29 91 9500	+	1,1360
0401 30 11 9400	970	10,50	0402 29 99 9100	+	1,0430
	***	—	0402 29 99 9500	+	1,1360
0401 30 11 9700	970	15,77	0402 91 11 9110	+	—
	***	—	0402 91 11 9120	+	—
0401 30 19 9100	+	—	0402 91 11 9310	+	11,31
0401 30 19 9400	+	—	0402 91 11 9350	+	13,85
0401 30 19 9700	970	15,77	0402 91 11 9370	+	16,84
	***	—	0402 91 19 9110	+	—
0401 30 31 9100	+	38,32	0402 91 19 9120	+	—
0401 30 31 9400	+	59,85	0402 91 19 9310	+	11,31
0401 30 31 9700	+	66,00	0402 91 19 9350	+	13,85
0401 30 39 9100	+	38,32	0402 91 19 9370	+	16,84
0401 30 39 9400	+	59,85	0402 91 31 9100	+	—
0401 30 39 9700	+	66,00	0402 91 31 9300	+	19,91
0401 30 91 9100	+	75,22	0402 91 39 9100	+	—
0401 30 91 9400	+	110,55	0402 91 39 9300	+	19,91
0401 30 91 9700	+	129,01	0402 91 51 9000	+	—
0401 30 99 9100	+	75,22	0402 91 59 9000	+	—
0401 30 99 9400	+	110,55	0402 91 91 9000	+	63,94
0401 30 99 9700	+	129,01	0402 91 99 9000	+	63,94
0402 10 11 9000	+	72,20	0402 99 11 9110	+	—
0402 10 19 9000	+	72,20	0402 99 11 9130	+	—
0402 10 91 9000	+	0,7200	0402 99 11 9150	+	—
0402 10 99 9000	+	0,7200	0402 99 11 9310	+	0,2689
0402 21 11 9200	+	72,20	0402 99 11 9330	+	0,3228
0402 21 11 9300	+	91,40	0402 99 11 9350	+	0,4291
0402 21 11 9500	+	96,30	0402 99 19 9110	+	—
0402 21 11 9900	+	103,60	0402 99 19 9130	+	—
0402 21 17 9000	+	72,20	0402 99 19 9150	+	—
0402 21 19 9300	+	91,40	0402 99 19 9310	+	0,2689
0402 21 19 9500	+	96,30	0402 99 19 9330	+	0,3228
0402 21 19 9900	+	103,60	0402 99 19 9350	+	0,4291
0402 21 91 9100	+	104,30	0402 99 31 9110	+	—
0402 21 91 9200	+	105,00	0402 99 31 9150	+	0,4467
0402 21 91 9300	+	106,30	0402 99 31 9300	+	0,3832
0402 21 91 9400	+	113,60	0402 99 31 9500	+	0,6600
0402 21 91 9500	+	116,20	0402 99 39 9110	+	—
0402 21 91 9600	+	125,90	0402 99 39 9150	+	0,4467
0402 21 91 9700	+	131,60	0402 99 39 9300	+	0,3832

Product code	Destination (*)	Amount of refund	Product code	Destination (*)	Amount of refund
0402 99 39 9500	+	0,6600	0404 90 29 9160	+	131,60
0402 99 91 9000	+	0,7522	0404 90 29 9180	+	138,00
0402 99 99 9000	+	0,7522	0404 90 81 9100	+	0,7220
0403 10 11 9400	+	—	0404 90 81 9910	+	—
0403 10 11 9800	+	—	0404 90 81 9950	+	0,2689
0403 10 13 9800	+	—	0404 90 83 9110	+	0,7220
0403 10 19 9800	+	—	0404 90 83 9130	+	0,9140
0403 10 31 9400	+	—	0404 90 83 9150	+	0,9630
0403 10 31 9800	+	—	0404 90 83 9170	+	1,0360
0403 10 33 9800	+	—	0404 90 83 9911	+	—
0403 10 39 9800	+	—	0404 90 83 9913	+	—
0403 90 11 9000	+	71,00	0404 90 83 9915	+	—
0403 90 13 9200	+	71,00	0404 90 83 9917	+	—
0403 90 13 9300	+	90,50	0404 90 83 9919	+	—
0403 90 13 9500	+	95,40	0404 90 83 9931	+	0,2689
0403 90 13 9900	+	102,60	0404 90 83 9933	+	0,3228
0403 90 19 9000	+	103,40	0404 90 83 9935	+	0,4291
0403 90 31 9000	+	0,7100	0404 90 83 9937	+	0,4467
0403 90 33 9200	+	0,7100	0404 90 89 9130	+	1,0430
0403 90 33 9300	+	0,9050	0404 90 89 9150	+	1,1360
0403 90 33 9500	+	0,9540	0404 90 89 9930	+	0,4601
0403 90 33 9900	+	1,0260	0404 90 89 9950	+	0,6600
0403 90 39 9000	+	1,0340	0404 90 89 9990	+	0,7522
0403 90 51 9100	970	2,327	0405 10 11 9500	+	165,85
	***	—	0405 10 11 9700	+	170,00
0403 90 51 9300	+	—	0405 10 19 9500	+	165,85
0403 90 53 9000	+	—	0405 10 19 9700	+	170,00
0403 90 59 9110	+	—	0405 10 30 9100	+	165,85
0403 90 59 9140	+	—	0405 10 30 9300	+	170,00
0403 90 59 9170	970	15,77	0405 10 30 9500	+	165,85
	***	—	0405 10 30 9700	+	170,00
0403 90 59 9310	+	38,32	0405 10 50 9100	+	165,85
0403 90 59 9340	+	59,85	0405 10 50 9300	+	170,00
0403 90 59 9370	+	64,80	0405 10 50 9500	+	165,85
0403 90 59 9510	+	64,80	0405 10 50 9700	+	170,00
0403 90 59 9540	+	64,80	0405 10 90 9000	+	176,22
0403 90 59 9570	+	64,80	0405 20 90 9500	+	155,49
0403 90 61 9100	+	—	0405 20 90 9700	+	161,71
0403 90 61 9300	+	—	0405 90 10 9000	+	216,00
0403 90 63 9000	+	—	0405 90 90 9000	+	170,00
0403 90 69 9000	+	—	0406 10 20 9100	+	—
0404 90 21 9100	+	72,20	0406 10 20 9230	037	—
0404 90 21 9910	+	—		039	—
0404 90 21 9950	+	11,31		097	37,68
0404 90 23 9120	+	72,20		098	37,68
0404 90 23 9130	+	91,40		400	21,50
0404 90 23 9140	+	96,30		***	37,68
0404 90 23 9150	+	103,60	0406 10 20 9290	037	—
0404 90 23 9911	+	—		039	—
0404 90 23 9913	+	—		097	35,05
0404 90 23 9915	+	—		098	35,05
0404 90 23 9917	+	—		400	14,40
0404 90 23 9919	+	—		***	35,05
0404 90 23 9931	+	11,31	0406 10 20 9300	037	—
0404 90 23 9933	+	13,85		039	—
0404 90 23 9935	+	16,84		097	15,39
0404 90 23 9937	+	19,91		098	15,39
0404 90 23 9939	+	20,81		400	7,360
0404 90 29 9110	+	104,30		***	15,39
0404 90 29 9115	+	105,00			
0404 90 29 9120	+	106,30			
0404 90 29 9130	+	113,60			
0404 90 29 9135	+	116,20			
0404 90 29 9150	+	125,90			

Product code	Destination (*)	Amount of refund	Product code	Destination (*)	Amount of refund
0406 10 20 9610	037	—	0406 20 90 9990	+	—
	039	—	0406 30 31 9710	037	—
	097	51,11		039	—
	098	51,11		097	17,88
	400	29,10		098	9,536
0406 10 20 9620	***	51,11		400	7,850
	037	—		***	17,88
	039	—	0406 30 31 9730	037	—
	097	51,83		039	—
	098	51,83		097	26,24
0406 10 20 9630	400	29,50		098	13,99
	***	51,83		400	11,50
	037	—		***	26,24
	039	—	0406 30 31 9910	037	—
	097	57,86		039	—
0406 10 20 9640	098	57,86		097	17,88
	400	33,00		098	9,536
	***	57,86		400	7,850
	037	—		***	17,88
	039	—	0406 30 31 9930	037	—
0406 10 20 9650	097	85,03		039	—
	098	85,03		097	26,24
	400	45,40		098	13,99
	***	85,03		400	11,50
	037	—		***	26,24
0406 10 20 9660	039	—	0406 30 31 9950	037	—
	097	70,86		039	—
	098	70,86		097	38,17
	400	23,90		098	20,36
	***	70,86		400	16,70
0406 10 20 9830	+	—		***	38,17
0406 10 20 9850	037	—	0406 30 39 9500	037	—
	039	—		039	—
	097	26,28		097	26,24
	098	26,28		098	13,99
	400	12,60		400	11,50
0406 10 20 9870	***	26,28		***	26,24
	037	—	0406 30 39 9700	037	—
	039	—		039	—
	097	31,87		097	38,17
	098	31,87		098	20,36
0406 10 20 9900	400	15,20		400	16,70
0406 20 90 9100	***	31,87		***	38,17
0406 20 90 9913	+	—	0406 30 39 9930	037	—
	037	—		039	—
	039	—		097	38,17
	097	58,77		098	20,36
	098	58,77		400	16,70
0406 20 90 9915	400	29,70		***	38,17
	***	58,77	0406 30 39 9950	037	—
	037	—		039	—
	039	—		097	43,16
	097	77,56		098	23,02
0406 20 90 9917	098	77,56		400	19,90
	400	39,60		***	43,16
	***	77,56	0406 30 90 9000	037	—
	037	—		039	—
	039	—		097	45,28
0406 20 90 9919	097	82,41		098	24,15
	098	82,41		400	19,90
	400	42,10		***	45,28
	***	82,41	0406 40 50 9000	037	—
	037	—		039	—
	039	—		097	90,00
	097	92,10		098	90,00
	098	92,10		400	31,00
	400	47,00		***	90,00
	***	92,10			

Product code	Destination (*)	Amount of refund	Product code	Destination (*)	Amount of refund
0406 40 90 9000	037	—	0406 90 33 9951	037	—
	039	—		039	—
	097	92,42		097	78,66
	098	92,42		098	68,98
	400	31,00		400	18,80
	***	92,42		***	78,66
0406 90 13 9000	037	—	0406 90 35 9190	037	33,29
	039	—		039	33,29
	097	116,37		097	121,56
	098	101,62		098	105,71
	400	56,60		400	57,70
	***	116,37		***	121,56
0406 90 15 9100	037	—	0406 90 35 9990	037	—
	039	—		039	—
	097	120,25		097	121,56
	098	105,01		098	105,71
	400	58,40		400	37,80
	***	120,25		***	121,56
0406 90 17 9100	037	—	0406 90 37 9000	037	—
	039	—		039	—
	097	120,25		097	116,37
	098	105,01		098	101,62
	400	58,40		400	56,60
	***	120,25		***	116,37
0406 90 21 9900	037	—	0406 90 61 9000	037	47,01
	039	—		039	47,01
	097	117,54		097	129,64
	098	102,90		098	112,00
	400	41,90		400	53,80
	***	117,54		***	129,64
0406 90 23 9900	037	—	0406 90 63 9100	037	42,83
	039	—		039	42,83
	097	103,92		097	128,55
	098	90,36		098	111,41
	400	17,50		400	60,10
	***	103,92		***	128,55
0406 90 25 9900	037	—	0406 90 63 9900	037	34,22
	039	—		039	34,22
	097	102,80		097	124,18
	098	89,77		098	107,11
	400	19,90		400	46,00
	***	102,80		***	124,18
0406 90 27 9900	037	—	0406 90 69 9100	+	—
	039	—	0406 90 69 9910	037	—
	097	93,10		039	—
	098	81,30		097	124,18
	400	17,50		098	107,11
	***	93,10		400	46,00
0406 90 31 9119	037	—		***	124,18
	039	—	0406 90 73 9900	037	—
	097	85,71		039	—
	098	74,72		097	106,91
	400	24,00		098	93,28
	***	85,71		400	49,50
0406 90 33 9119	037	—		***	106,91
	039	—	0406 90 75 9900	037	—
	097	85,71		039	—
	098	74,72		097	108,07
	400	24,00		098	93,90
	***	85,71		400	20,90
0406 90 33 9919	037	—		***	108,07
	039	—	0406 90 76 9300	037	—
	097	78,60		039	—
	098	68,29		097	96,98
	400	19,10		098	84,68
	***	78,60		400	18,90
				***	96,98

Product code	Destination (*)	Amount of refund	Product code	Destination (*)	Amount of refund
0406 90 76 9400	037	—	0406 90 85 9999	+	—
	039	—	0406 90 86 9100	+	—
	097	108,62	0406 90 86 9200	037	—
	098	94,85		039	—
	400	21,80		097	102,23
	***	108,62		098	86,17
0406 90 76 9500	037	—		400	26,00
	039	—		***	102,23
	097	102,45	0406 90 86 9300	037	—
	098	90,24		039	—
	400	21,80		097	103,32
	***	102,45		098	87,41
0406 90 78 9100	037	—		400	28,50
	039	—		***	103,32
	097	102,26	0406 90 86 9400	037	—
	098	87,50		039	—
	400	17,10		097	108,62
	***	102,26		098	92,87
0406 90 78 9300	037	—		400	32,20
	039	—		***	108,62
	097	105,98	0406 90 86 9900	037	—
	098	92,78		039	—
	400	18,90		097	117,90
	***	105,98		098	102,43
0406 90 78 9500	037	—		400	37,80
	039	—		***	117,90
	097	104,35	0406 90 87 9100	+	—
	098	91,91	0406 90 87 9200	037	—
	400	21,80		039	—
	***	104,35		097	85,19
0406 90 79 9900	037	—		098	71,81
	039	—		400	23,30
	097	86,27		***	85,19
	098	75,02	0406 90 87 9300	037	—
	400	18,10		039	—
	***	86,27		097	94,89
0406 90 81 9900	037	—		098	80,27
	039	—		400	26,30
	097	108,62		***	94,89
	098	94,85	0406 90 87 9400	037	—
	400	44,80		039	—
	***	108,62		097	96,33
0406 90 85 9910	037	33,32		098	82,36
	039	33,32		400	28,80
	097	117,90		***	96,33
	098	102,43	0406 90 87 9951	037	—
	400	55,70		039	—
	***	117,90		097	106,68
0406 90 85 9991	037	—		098	93,15
	039	—		400	39,70
	097	117,90		***	106,68
	098	102,43	0406 90 87 9971	037	—
	400	37,80		039	—
	***	117,90		097	106,68
0406 90 85 9995	037	—		098	93,15
	039	—		400	32,30
	097	108,07	0406 90 87 9972	***	106,68
	098	93,90		097	45,63
	400	19,90		098	39,68
	***	108,07		400	12,80
				***	45,63

Product code	Destination (*)	Amount of refund	Product code	Destination (*)	Amount of refund
0406 90 87 9973	037	—	2309 10 19 9100	+	—
	039	—	2309 10 19 9200	+	—
	097	104,74	2309 10 19 9300	+	—
	098	91,46	2309 10 19 9400	+	—
	400	22,60	2309 10 19 9500	+	—
	***	104,74	2309 10 19 9600	+	—
0406 90 87 9974	037	—	2309 10 19 9700	+	—
	039	—	2309 10 19 9800	+	—
	097	113,19	2309 10 70 9010	+	—
	098	99,26	2309 10 70 9100	+	13,85
	400	22,60	2309 10 70 9200	+	18,47
	***	113,19	2309 10 70 9300	+	23,09
0406 90 87 9975	037	—	2309 10 70 9500	+	27,70
	039	—	2309 10 70 9600	+	32,32
	097	114,45	2309 10 70 9700	+	36,94
	098	101,25	2309 10 70 9800	+	40,63
	400	30,00	2309 90 35 9010	+	—
	***	114,45	2309 90 35 9100	+	—
0406 90 87 9979	037	—	2309 90 35 9200	+	—
	039	—	2309 90 35 9300	+	—
	097	103,92	2309 90 35 9400	+	—
	098	90,36	2309 90 35 9500	+	—
	400	22,60	2309 90 35 9700	+	—
	***	103,92	2309 90 39 9010	+	—
0406 90 88 9100	+	—	2309 90 39 9100	+	—
0406 90 88 9300	037	—	2309 90 39 9200	+	—
	039	—	2309 90 39 9300	+	—
	097	83,50	2309 90 39 9400	+	—
	098	70,90	2309 90 39 9500	+	—
	400	28,50	2309 90 39 9600	+	—
	***	83,50	2309 90 39 9700	+	—
2309 10 15 9010	+	—	2309 90 39 9800	+	—
2309 10 15 9100	+	—	2309 90 70 9010	+	—
2309 10 15 9200	+	—	2309 90 70 9100	+	13,85
2309 10 15 9300	+	—	2309 90 70 9200	+	18,47
2309 10 15 9400	+	—	2309 90 70 9300	+	23,09
2309 10 15 9500	+	—	2309 90 70 9500	+	27,70
2309 10 15 9700	+	—	2309 90 70 9600	+	32,32
2309 10 19 9010	+	—	2309 90 70 9700	+	36,94
			2309 90 70 9800	+	40,63

(*) The code numbers for the destinations are those set out in the Annex to Commission Regulation (EC) No 2543/1999 (OJ L 307, 2.12.1999, p. 46).

However:

— '097' covers all destination codes from 072 to 083 inclusive,

— '098' covers all destination codes from 053 to 070 inclusive and from 091 to 096 inclusive,

— '970' covers the exports referred to in Articles 36(1)(a) and (c) and 44(1)(a) and (b) of Commission Regulation (EEC) No 800/1999 (OJ L 107, 17.4.1999, p. 11).

For destinations other than those indicated for each 'product code', the amount of the refund applying is indicated by ***.

Where no destination (+) is indicated, the amount of the refund is applicable for exports to any destination other than those referred to in Article 1(2) and (3).

NB: The product codes and the footnotes are defined in Commission Regulation (EEC) No 3846/87 (OJ L 366, 24.12.1987, p. 1), as amended.

COMMISSION REGULATION (EC) No 573/2000**of 16 March 2000****fixing the export refunds on products processed from cereals and rice**

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 organization of the market in cereals ⁽¹⁾, as last amended by Commission Regulation (EC) No 1253/1999 ⁽²⁾, and in particular Article 13(3) thereof,

Having regard to Council Regulation (EC) No 3072/95 of 22 December 1995 on the common organization of the market in rice ⁽³⁾, as last amended by Regulation (EC) No 2072/98 ⁽⁴⁾, and in particular Article 13(3) thereof,

Whereas:

(1) Article 13 of Regulation (EEC) No 1766/92 and Article 13 of Regulation (EC) No 3072/95 provide that the difference between quotations or prices on the world market for the products listed in Article 1 of those Regulations and prices for those products within the Community may be covered by an export refund.

(2) Article 13 of Regulation (EC) No 3072/95 provides that when refunds are being fixed account must be taken of the existing situation and the future trend with regard to prices and availabilities of cereals, rice and broken rice on the Community market on the one hand and prices for cereals, rice, broken rice and cereal products on the world market on the other. The same Articles provide that it is also important to ensure equilibrium and the natural development of prices and trade on the markets in cereals and rice and, furthermore, to take into account the economic aspect of the proposed exports, and the need to avoid disturbances on the Community market.

(3) Article 4 of Commission Regulation (EC) No 1518/95 ⁽⁵⁾, as amended by Regulation (EC) No 2993/95 ⁽⁶⁾, on the import and export system for products processed from cereals and from rice defines the specific criteria to be taken into account when the refund on these products is being calculated.

(4) The refund to be granted in respect of certain processed products should be graduated on the basis of the ash, crude fibre, tegument, protein, fat and starch content of the individual product concerned, this content being a particularly good indicator of the quantity of basic product actually incorporated in the processed product.

(5) There is no need at present to fix an export refund for manioc, other tropical roots and tubers or flours obtained therefrom, given the economic aspect of potential exports and in particular the nature and origin of these products. For certain products processed from cereals, the insignificance of Community participation in world trade makes it unnecessary to fix an export refund at the present time.

(6) The world market situation or the specific requirements of certain markets may make it necessary to vary the refund for certain products according to destination.

(7) The refund must be fixed once a month; whereas it may be altered in the intervening period.

(8) Certain processed maize products may undergo a heat treatment following which a refund might be granted that does not correspond to the quality of the product; whereas it should therefore be specified that on these products, containing pregelatinized starch, no export refund is to be granted.

(9) The measures provided for in this Regulation are in accordance with the opinion of the Management Committee for Cereals,

HAS ADOPTED THIS REGULATION:

Article 1

The export refunds on the products listed in Article 1(1)(d) of Regulation (EEC) No 1766/92 and in Article 1(1)(c) of Regulation (EC) No 3072/95 and subject to Regulation (EC) No 1518/95 are hereby fixed as shown in the Annex to this Regulation.

⁽¹⁾ OJ L 181, 1.7.1992, p. 21.

⁽²⁾ OJ L 160, 26.6.1999, p. 18.

⁽³⁾ OJ L 329, 30.12.1995, p. 18.

⁽⁴⁾ OJ L 265, 30.9.1998, p. 4.

⁽⁵⁾ OJ L 147, 30.6.1995, p. 55.

⁽⁶⁾ OJ L 312, 23.12.1995, p. 25.

Article 2

This Regulation shall enter into force on 17 March 2000.

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

Done at Brussels, 16 March 2000.

For the Commission

Franz FISCHLER

Member of the Commission

ANNEX

to the Commission Regulation of 16 March 2000 fixing the export refunds on products processed from cereals and rice

(EUR/tonne)		(EUR/tonne)	
Product code	Refund	Product code	Refund
1102 20 10 9200 ⁽¹⁾	55,92	1104 23 10 9100	59,91
1102 20 10 9400 ⁽¹⁾	47,93	1104 23 10 9300	45,93
1102 20 90 9200 ⁽¹⁾	47,93	1104 29 11 9000	30,95
1102 90 10 9100	32,94	1104 29 51 9000	30,34
1102 90 10 9900	22,40	1104 29 55 9000	30,34
1102 90 30 9100	78,95	1104 30 10 9000	7,59
1103 12 00 9100	78,95	1104 30 90 9000	9,99
1103 13 10 9100 ⁽¹⁾	71,89	1107 10 11 9000	54,01
1103 13 10 9300 ⁽¹⁾	55,92	1107 10 91 9000	39,09
1103 13 10 9500 ⁽¹⁾	47,93	1108 11 00 9200	60,68
1103 13 90 9100 ⁽¹⁾	47,93	1108 11 00 9300	60,68
1103 19 10 9000	40,55	1108 12 00 9200	63,90
1103 19 30 9100	34,04	1108 12 00 9300	63,90
1103 21 00 9000	30,95	1108 13 00 9200	63,90
1103 29 20 9000	22,40	1108 13 00 9300	63,90
1104 11 90 9100	32,94	1108 19 10 9200	53,20
1104 12 90 9100	87,72	1108 19 10 9300	53,20
1104 12 90 9300	70,18	1109 00 00 9100	0,00
1104 19 10 9000	30,95	1702 30 51 9000 ⁽²⁾	78,46
1104 19 50 9110	63,90	1702 30 59 9000 ⁽²⁾	60,06
1104 19 50 9130	51,92	1702 30 91 9000	78,46
1104 21 10 9100	32,94	1702 30 99 9000	60,06
1104 21 30 9100	32,94	1702 40 90 9000	60,06
1104 21 50 9100	43,92	1702 90 50 9100	78,46
1104 21 50 9300	35,14	1702 90 50 9900	60,06
1104 22 20 9100	70,18	1702 90 75 9000	82,21
1104 22 30 9100	74,56	1702 90 79 9000	57,06
		2106 90 55 9000	60,06

⁽¹⁾ No refund shall be granted on products given a heat treatment resulting in pregelatinisation of the starch.

⁽²⁾ Refunds are granted in accordance with Council Regulation (EEC) No 2730/75 (OJ L 281, 1.11.1975, p. 20), amended.

NB: The product codes and the footnotes are defined in Commission Regulation (EEC) No 3846/87 (OJ L 366, 24.12.1987, p. 1), amended.

COMMISSION REGULATION (EC) No 574/2000
of 16 March 2000
fixing the export refunds on cereal-based compound feedingstuffs

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 organization of the market in cereals ⁽¹⁾, as last amended by Regulation (EC) No 1253/1999 ⁽²⁾, and in particular Article 13(3) thereof,

Whereas:

- (1) Article 13 of Regulation (EEC) No 1766/92 provides that the difference between quotations or prices on the world market for the products listed in Article 1 of that Regulation and prices for those products within the Community may be covered by an export refund.
- (2) Regulation (EC) No 1517/95 of 29 June 1995 laying down detailed rules for the application of Regulation (EEC) No 1766/92 as regards the arrangements for the export and import of compound feedingstuffs based on cereals and amending Regulation (EC) No 1162/95 laying down special detailed rules for the application of the system of import and export licences for cereals and rice ⁽³⁾ in Article 2 lays down general rules for fixing the amount of such refunds.
- (3) That calculation must also take account of the cereal products content. In the interest of simplification, the refund should be paid in respect of two categories of 'cereal products', namely for maize, the most commonly used cereal in exported compound feeds and maize products, and for 'other cereals', these being eligible cereal products excluding maize and maize products. A

refund should be granted in respect of the quantity of cereal products present in the compound feedingstuff.

- (4) Furthermore, the amount of the refund must also take into account the possibilities and conditions for the sale of those products on the world market, the need to avoid disturbances on the Community market and the economic aspect of the export.
- (5) However, in fixing the rate of refund it would seem advisable to base it at this time on the difference in the cost of raw inputs widely used in compound feedingstuffs as the Community and world markets, allowing more accurate account to be taken of the commercial conditions under which such products are exported.
- (6) The refund must be fixed once a month; whereas it may be altered in the intervening period.
- (7) The measures provided for in this Regulation are in accordance with the opinion of the Management Committee for Cereals,

HAS ADOPTED THIS REGULATION:

Article 1

The export refunds on the compound feedingstuffs covered by Regulation (EEC) No 1766/92 and subject to Regulation (EC) No 1517/95 are hereby fixed as shown in the Annex to this Regulation.

Article 2

This Regulation shall enter into force on 17 March 2000.

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

Done at Brussels, 16 March 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 147, 30.6.1995, p. 51.

ANNEX

to the Commission Regulation of 16 March 2000 fixing the export refunds on cereal-based compound feeding-stuffs

Product code benefiting from export refund ⁽¹⁾:

2309 10 11 9000, 2309 10 13 9000, 2309 10 31 9000,
2309 10 33 9000, 2309 10 51 9000, 2309 10 53 9000,
2309 90 31 9000, 2309 90 33 9000, 2309 90 41 9000,
2309 90 43 9000, 2309 90 51 9000, 2309 90 53 9000.

(EUR/t)

Cereal products ⁽²⁾	Amount of refund ⁽²⁾
Maize and maize products: CN codes 0709 90 60, 0712 90 19, 1005, 1102 20, 1103 13, 1103 29 40, 1104 19 50, 1104 23, 1904 10 10	39,94
Cereal products ⁽²⁾ excluding maize and maize products	26,15

⁽¹⁾ The product codes are defined in Sector 5 of the Annex to Commission Regulation (EEC) No 3846/87 (OJ L 366, 24.12.1987, p. 1), amended.

⁽²⁾ For the purposes of the refund only the starch coming from cereal products is taken into account.

Cereal products means the products falling within subheadings 0709 90 60 and 0712 90 19, Chapter 10, and headings Nos 1101, 1102, 1103 and 1104 (unprocessed and not reconstituted excluding subheading 1104 30) and the cereals content of the products falling within subheadings 1904 10 10 and 1904 10 90 of the combined nomenclature. The cereals content in products under subheadings 1904 10 10 and 1904 10 90 of the combined nomenclature is considered to be equal to the weight of this final product. No refund is paid for cereals where the origin of the starch cannot be clearly established by analysis.

**COMMISSION REGULATION (EC) No 575/2000
of 16 March 2000**

**fixing the rates of the refunds applicable to certain cereal and rice-products exported in the form of
goods not covered by Annex I to the Treaty**

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(3) thereof,

Having regard to Council Regulation (EC) No 3072/95 of 22 December 1995 on the common organisation of the market in rice ⁽³⁾, as amended by Regulation (EC) No 2072/98 ⁽⁴⁾, and in particular Article 13(3) thereof,

Whereas:

- (1) Article 13(1) of Regulation (EEC) No 1766/92 and Article 13(1) of Regulation (EC) No 3072/95 provide that the difference between quotations of prices on the world market for the products listed in Article 1 of each of those Regulations and the prices within the Community may be covered by an export refund.
- (2) Commission Regulation (EC) No 1222/94 of 30 May 1994 laying down common implementing rules for granting export refunds on certain agricultural products exported in the form of goods not covered by Annex I to the Treaty, and the criteria for fixing the amount of such refunds ⁽⁵⁾, as last amended by Regulation (EC) No 238/2000 ⁽⁶⁾, specifies the products for which a rate of refund should be fixed, to be applied where these products are exported in the form of goods listed in Annex B to Regulation (EEC) No 1766/92 or in Annex B to Regulation (EC) No 3072/95 as appropriate.
- (3) In accordance with the first subparagraph of Article 4(1) of Regulation (EC) No 1222/94, the rate of the refund per 100 kilograms for each of the basic products in question must be fixed for each month.
- (4) The commitments entered into with regard to refunds which may be granted for the export of agricultural products contained in goods not covered by Annex I to the Treaty may be jeopardised by the fixing in advance of high refund rates. Whereas it is therefore necessary to take precautionary measures in such situations without, however, preventing the conclusion of long-term

contracts. Whereas the fixing of a specific refund rate for the advance fixing of refunds is a measure which enables these various objectives to be met.

- (5) Now that a settlement has been reached between the European Community and the United States of America on Community exports of pasta products to the United States and has been approved by Council Decision 87/482/EEC ⁽⁷⁾, it is necessary to differentiate the refund on goods falling within CN codes 1902 11 00 and 1902 19 according to their destination.
- (6) Article 4(5)(b) of Regulation (EC) No 1222/94 provides that, in the absence of the proof referred to in Article 4(5)(a) of that Regulation, a reduced rate of export refund has to be fixed, taking account of the amount of the production refund applicable, pursuant to Commission Regulation (EEC) No 1722/93 ⁽⁸⁾, as last amended by Regulation (EC) No 87/1999 ⁽⁹⁾, for the basic product in question, used during the assumed period of manufacture of the goods.
- (7) It is necessary to ensure continuity of strict management taking account of expenditure forecasts and funds available in the budget.
- (8) The Management Committee for Cereals has not delivered an opinion within the time limit set by its chairman,

HAS ADOPTED THIS REGULATION:

Article 1

The rates of the refunds applicable to the basic products appearing in Annex A to Regulation (EC) No 1222/94 and listed either in Article 1 of Regulation (EEC) No 1766/92 or in Article 1(1) of Regulation (EC) No 3072/95, exported in the form of goods listed in Annex B to Regulation (EEC) No 1766/92 or in Annex B to amended Regulation (EC) No 3072/95 respectively, are hereby fixed as shown in the Annex to this Regulation.

Article 2

This Regulation shall enter into force on 17 March 2000.

⁽¹⁾ OJ L 181, 1.7.1992, p. 21.

⁽²⁾ OJ L 160, 26.6.1999, p. 18.

⁽³⁾ OJ L 329, 30.12.1995, p. 18.

⁽⁴⁾ OJ L 265, 30.9.1998, p. 4.

⁽⁵⁾ OJ L 136, 31.5.1994, p. 5.

⁽⁶⁾ OJ L 24, 29.1.2000, p. 45.

⁽⁷⁾ OJ L 275, 29.9.1987, p. 36.

⁽⁸⁾ OJ L 159, 1.7.1993, p. 112.

⁽⁹⁾ OJ L 9, 15.1.1999, p. 8.

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

Done at Brussels, 16 March 2000.

For the Commission
Erkki LIIKANEN
Member of the Commission

ANNEX

to the Commission Regulation of 16 March 2000 fixing the rates of the refunds applicable to certain cereals and rice products exported in the form of goods not covered by Annex I to the Treaty

(EUR/100 kg)

CN code	Description of products ⁽¹⁾	Rate of refund per 100 kg of basic product	
		In case of advance fixing of refunds	Other
1001 10 00	Durum wheat: – on exports of goods falling within CN codes 1902 11 and 1902 19 to the United States of America – in other cases	— —	— —
1001 90 99	Common wheat and meslin: – on exports of goods falling within CN codes 1902 11 and 1902 19 to the United States of America – in other cases: – – where pursuant to Article 4 (5) of Regulation (EC) No 1222/94 ⁽²⁾ – – in other cases	1,883 1,573 2,897	1,883 1,573 2,897
1002 00 00	Rye	3,873	3,873
1003 00 90	Barley	2,498	2,498
1004 00 00	Oats	4,189	4,189
1005 90 00	Maize (corn) used in the form of: – starch: – – where pursuant to Article 4 (5) of Regulation (EC) No 1222/94 ⁽²⁾ – – in other cases – glucose, glucose syrup, maltodextrine, maltodextrine syrup of CN codes 1702 30 51, 1702 30 59, 1702 30 91, 1702 30 99, 1702 40 90, 1702 90 50, 1702 90 75, 1702 90 79, 2106 90 55 ⁽³⁾ : – – where pursuant to Article 4 (5) of Regulation (EC) No 1222/94 ⁽²⁾ – – in other cases – other (including unprocessed) Potato starch of CN code 1108 13 00 similar to a product obtained from processed maize: – where pursuant to Article 4 (5) of Regulation (EC) No 1222/94 ⁽²⁾ – in other cases	2,159 3,814 1,930 3,585 3,814 2,159 3,814	2,159 3,814 1,930 3,585 3,814 2,159 3,814
ex 1006 30	Wholly-milled rice: – round grain – medium grain – long grain	14,421 14,421 14,421	14,421 14,421 14,421
1006 40 00	Broken rice	3,343	3,343
1007 00 90	Sorghum	2,498	2,498

⁽¹⁾ As far as agricultural products obtained from the processing of a basic product or/and assimilated products are concerned, the coefficients shown in Annex E of amended Commission Regulation (EC) No 1222/94 shall be applied (OJ L 136, 31.5.1994, p. 5).

⁽²⁾ The goods concerned are listed in Annex I of amended Regulation (EEC) No 1722/93 (OJ L 159, 1.7.1993, p. 112).

⁽³⁾ For syrups of CN codes NC 1702 30 99, 1702 40 90 and 1702 60 90, obtained from mixing glucose and fructose syrup, the export refund may be granted only for the glucose syrup.

**COMMISSION REGULATION (EC) No 576/2000
of 16 March 2000**

amending Regulation (EC) No 2993/94 fixing the aid for the supply of milk products to the Canary Islands under the arrangements provided for in Articles 2 to 4 of Council Regulation (EEC) No 1601/92

THE COMMISSION OF THE EUROPEAN COMMUNITIES,

Having regard to the Treaty establishing the European Community,

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

Whereas:

- (1) Commission Regulation (EC) No 2790/94 ⁽³⁾, as last amended by Regulation (EC) No 1620/1999 ⁽⁴⁾, lays down in particular the detailed rules for the application of the specific arrangements for the supply of certain agricultural products to the Canary Islands.
- (2) Commission Regulation (EC) No 2993/94 ⁽⁵⁾, as last amended by Regulation (EC) No 195/2000 ⁽⁶⁾, fixed the amount of aid for milk products.

(3) Commission Regulation (EC) No 572/2000 of 16 March 2000 fixing the export refunds on milk and milk products ⁽⁷⁾, fixes the refunds on those products; whereas the Annex to Regulation (EC) No 2993/94 should be adapted to take account of those adjustments.

(4) The Management Committee for Milk and Milk Products has not delivered an opinion within the timelimit set by its chairman,

HAS ADOPTED THIS REGULATION:

Article 1

The Annex to Regulation (EC) No 2993/94 is hereby replaced by the Annex hereto.

Article 2

This Regulation shall enter into force on 17 March 2000.

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

Done at Brussels, 16 March 2000.

For the Commission

Franz FISCHLER

Member of the Commission

⁽¹⁾ OJ L 173, 27.6.1992, p. 13.

⁽²⁾ OJ L 320, 11.12.1996, p. 1.

⁽³⁾ OJ L 296, 17.11.1994, p. 23.

⁽⁴⁾ OJ L 192, 24.7.1999, p. 19.

⁽⁵⁾ OJ L 316, 9.12.1994, p. 11.

⁽⁶⁾ OJ L 23, 28.1.2000, p. 11.

⁽⁷⁾ See page 9 of this Official Journal.

ANNEX

(in EUR/100 kg weight, if no other indication)

CN code	Description of goods	Product code	Notes	Amount of aid
0401	Milk and cream, not concentrated nor containing added sugar or other sweetening matter:			
0401 10	– Of a fat content, by weight, not exceeding 1 %:			
0401 10 10	– – In immediate packings of a net content not exceeding 2 litres	0401 10 10 9000		2,327
0401 10 90	– – Other	0401 10 90 9000		2,327
0401 20	– Of a fat content, by weight, exceeding 1 % but not exceeding 6 %:			
	– – Not exceeding 3 %:			
0401 20 11	– – – In immediate packings of a net content not exceeding 2 litres:			
	– Of a fat content, by weight, not exceeding 1,5 %	0401 20 11 9100		2,327
	– Of a fat content, by weight, exceeding 1,5 %	0401 20 11 9500		3,597
0401 20 19	– – – Other:			
	– Of a fat content, by weight, not exceeding 1,5 %	0401 20 19 9100		2,327
	– Of a fat content, by weight, exceeding 1,5 %	0401 20 19 9500		3,597
	– – Exceeding 3 %:			
0401 20 91	– – – In immediate packings of a net content not exceeding 2 litres:			
	– Of a fat content, by weight, not exceeding 4 %	0401 20 91 9100		4,551
	– Of a fat content, by weight, exceeding 4 %	0401 20 91 9500		5,302
0401 20 99	– – – Other:			
	– Of a fat content, by weight, not exceeding 4 %	0401 20 99 9100		4,551
	– Of a fat content, by weight, exceeding 4 %	0401 20 99 9500		5,302
0401 30	– Of a fat content, by weight, exceeding 6 %:			
	– – Not exceeding 21 %:			
0401 30 11	– – – In immediate packings of a net content not exceeding 2 litres:			
	– Of a fat content, by weight:			
	– Not exceeding 10 %	0401 30 11 9100		6,803
	– Exceeding 10 % but not exceeding 17 %	0401 30 11 9400		10,50
	– Exceeding 17 %	0401 30 11 9700		15,77
0401 30 19	– – – Other:			
	– Of a fat content, by weight:			
	– Not exceeding 10 %	0401 30 19 9100		6,803
	– Exceeding 10 % but not exceeding 17 %	0401 30 19 9400		10,50
	– Exceeding 17 %	0401 30 19 9700		15,77
	– – Exceeding 21 % but not exceeding 45 %:			
0401 30 31	– – – In immediate packings of a net content not exceeding 2 litres:			
	– Of a fat content, by weight:			
	– Not exceeding 35 %	0401 30 31 9100		38,32
	– Exceeding 35 % but not exceeding 39 %	0401 30 31 9400		59,85
	– Exceeding 39 %	0401 30 31 9700		66,00

(in EUR/100 kg weight, if no other indication)

CN code	Description of goods	Product code	Notes	Amount of aid
0401 30 39	--- Other: - Of a fat content, by weight: - Not exceeding 35 % - Exceeding 35 % but not exceeding 39 % - Exceeding 39 %	0401 30 39 9100 0401 30 39 9400 0401 30 39 9700		38,32 59,85 66,00
0401 30 91	-- Exceeding 45 %: --- In immediate packings of a net content not exceeding 2 litres: - Of a fat content, by weight: - Not exceeding 68 % - Exceeding 68 % but not exceeding 80 % - Exceeding 80 %	0401 30 91 9100 0401 30 91 9400 0401 30 91 9700		75,22 110,55 129,01
0401 30 99	--- Other: - Of a fat content, by weight: - Not exceeding 68 % - Exceeding 68 % but not exceeding 80 % - Exceeding 80 %	0401 30 99 9100 0401 30 99 9400 0401 30 99 9700		75,22 110,55 129,01
0402	Milk and cream, concentrated or containing added sugar or other sweetening matter:			
0402 10	- In powder, granules or other solid forms, of a fat content, by weight, not exceeding 1,5 % (7): -- Not containing added sugar or other sweetening matter:			
0402 10 11	--- In immediate packings of a net content not exceeding 2,5 kg	0402 10 11 9000	(13)	72,20
0402 10 19	--- Other -- Other:	0402 10 19 9000	(13)	72,20
0402 10 91	--- In immediate packings of a net content not exceeding 2,5 kg	0402 10 91 9000	(14)	0,7220
0402 10 99	--- Other - In powder, granules or other solid forms, of a fat content, by weight, exceeding 1,5 % (7):	0402 10 99 9000	(14)	0,7220
0402 21	-- Not containing added sugar or other sweetening matter: --- Of a fat content, by weight, not exceeding 27 %:			
0402 21 11	---- In immediate packings of a net content not exceeding 2,5 kg: - Of a fat content, by weight: - Not exceeding 11 % - Exceeding 11 % but not exceeding 17 % - Exceeding 17 % but not exceeding 25 % - Exceeding 25 %	0402 21 11 9200 0402 21 11 9300 0402 21 11 9500 0402 21 11 9900	(13) (13) (13) (13)	72,20 91,40 96,30 103,60
0402 21 17	---- Other: ----- Of a fat content, by weight, not exceeding 11 %	0402 21 17 9000	(13)	72,20
0402 21 19	----- Of a fat content, by weight, exceeding 11 % but not exceeding 27 %: - Not exceeding 17 % - Exceeding 17 % but not exceeding 25 % - Exceeding 25 % --- Of a fat content, by weight, exceeding 27 %:	0402 21 19 9300 0402 21 19 9500 0402 21 19 9900	(13) (13) (13)	91,40 96,30 103,60

(in EUR/100 kg weight, if no other indication)

CN code	Description of goods	Product code	Notes	Amount of aid
0402 21 91	----- In immediate packings of a net content not exceeding 2,5 kg: - Of a fat content, by weight: - Not 28 % - Exceeding 28 % but not exceeding 29 % - Exceeding 29 % but not exceeding 41 % - Exceeding 41 % but not exceeding 45 % - Exceeding 45 % but not exceeding 59 % - Exceeding 59 % but not exceeding 69 % - Exceeding 69 % but not exceeding 79 % - Exceeding 7 %	0402 21 91 9100 0402 21 91 9200 0402 21 91 9300 0402 21 91 9400 0402 21 91 9500 0402 21 91 9600 0402 21 91 9700 0402 21 91 9900	(¹³) (¹³) (¹³) (¹³) (¹³) (¹³) (¹³) (¹³)	104,30 105,00 106,30 113,60 116,20 125,90 131,60 138,00
0402 21 99	----- Other: - Of a fat content, by weight: - Not exceeding 28 % - Exceeding 28 % but not exceeding 29 % - Exceeding 29 % but not exceeding 41 % - Exceeding 41 % but not exceeding 45 % - Exceeding 45 % but not exceeding 59 % - Exceeding 59 % but not exceeding 69 % - Exceeding 69 % but not exceeding 79 % - Exceeding 79 %	0402 21 99 9100 0402 21 99 9200 0402 21 99 9300 0402 21 99 9400 0402 21 99 9500 0402 21 99 9600 0402 21 99 9700 0402 21 99 9900	(¹³) (¹³) (¹³) (¹³) (¹³) (¹³) (¹³) (¹³)	104,30 105,00 106,30 113,60 116,20 125,90 131,60 138,00
ex 0402 29	-- Other: --- Of a fat content, by weight, not exceeding 27 %: ----- Other:			
0402 29 15	----- In immediate packings of a net content not exceeding 2,5 kg: - Of a fat content, by weight: - Not exceeding 11 % - Exceeding 11 % but not exceeding 17 % - Exceeding 17 % but not exceeding 25 % - Exceeding 25 %	0402 29 15 9200 0402 29 15 9300 0402 29 15 9500 0402 29 15 9900	(¹⁴) (¹⁴) (¹⁴) (¹⁴)	0,7220 0,9140 0,9630 1,0360
0402 29 19	----- Other: - Of a fat content, by weight: - Not exceeding 11 % - Exceeding 11 % but not exceeding 17 % - Exceeding 17 % but not exceeding 25 % - Exceeding 25 %	0402 29 19 9200 0402 29 19 9300 0402 29 19 9500 0402 29 19 9900	(¹⁴) (¹⁴) (¹⁴) (¹⁴)	0,7220 0,9140 0,9630 1,0360
0402 29 91	--- Of a fat content, by weight, exceeding 27 %: ----- In immediate packings of a net content not exceeding 2,5 kg: - Of a fat content, by weight: - Not exceeding 41 % - Exceeding 41 %	0402 29 91 9100 0402 29 91 9500	(¹⁴) (¹⁴)	1,0430 1,1360
0402 29 99	----- Other: - Of a fat content, by weight: - Not exceeding 41 % - Exceeding 41 %	0402 29 99 9100 0402 29 99 9500	(¹⁴) (¹⁴)	1,0430 1,1360

(in EUR/100 kg weight, if no other indication)

CN code	Description of goods	Product code	Notes	Amount of aid
	– Other:			
0402 91	– – Not containing added sugar or other sweetening matter:			
	– – – Of a fat content, by weight, not exceeding 8 %:			
0402 91 11	– – – – In immediate packings of a net content not exceeding 2,5 kg:			
	– Of a non-fat lactic dry matter content:			
	– Of less than 15 % and of a fat content, by weight:			
	– Not exceeding 3 %	0402 91 11 9110	(¹³)	2,327
	– Exceeding 3 %	0402 91 11 9120	(¹³)	4,551
	– Of 15 % or more and of a fat content, by weight:			
	– Not exceeding 3 %	0402 91 11 9310	(¹³)	13,30
	– Exceeding 3 % but not exceeding 7,4 %	0402 91 11 9350	(¹³)	16,29
	– Exceeding 7,4 %	0402 91 11 9370	(¹³)	19,81
0402 91 19	– – – – Other:			
	– Of a non-fat lactic dry matter content:			
	– Of less than 15 % and of a fat content, by weight:			
	– Not exceeding 3 %	0402 91 19 9110	(¹³)	2,327
	– Exceeding 3 %	0402 91 19 9120	(¹³)	4,551
	– Of 15 % or more and of a fat content, by weight:			
	– Not exceeding 3 %	0402 91 19 9310	(¹³)	13,30
	– Exceeding 3 % but not exceeding 7,4 %	0402 91 19 9350	(¹³)	16,29
	– Exceeding 7,4 %	0402 91 19 9370	(¹³)	19,81
	– – – Of a fat content, by weight, exceeding 8 % but not exceeding 10 %:			
0402 91 31	– – – – In immediate packings of a net content not exceeding 2,5 kg:			
	– Of a non-fat lactic dry matter content:			
	– Of less than 15 %	0402 91 31 9100	(¹³)	8,991
	– Of 15 % or more	0402 91 31 9300	(¹³)	23,42
0402 91 39	– – – – Other:			
	– Of a non-fat lactic dry matter content:			
	– Of less than 15 %	0402 91 39 9100	(¹³)	8,991
	– Of 15 % or more	0402 91 39 9300	(¹³)	23,42
	– – – Of a fat content, by weight, exceeding 10 % but not exceeding 45 %:			
0402 91 51	– – – – In immediate packings of a net content not exceeding 2,5 kg	0402 91 51 9000	(¹³)	10,50
0402 91 59	– – – – Other	0402 91 59 9000	(¹³)	10,50
	– – – Of a fat content, by weight, exceeding 45 %:			
0402 91 91	– – – – In immediate packings of a net content not exceeding 2,5 kg	0402 91 91 9000	(¹³)	75,22
0402 91 99	– – – – Other	0402 91 99 9000	(¹³)	75,22

(in EUR/100 kg weight, if no other indication)

CN code	Description of goods	Product code	Notes	Amount of aid
0402 99	-- Other:			
	--- Of a fat content, by weight, not exceeding 9,5 %:			
0402 99 11	---- In immediate packings of a net content not exceeding 2,5 kg:			
	- Of a non-fat lactic dry matter content of less than 15 % and of a fat content, by weight:			
	- Not exceeding 3 %	0402 99 11 9110	(¹⁴)	0,0233
	- Exceeding 3 % but not exceeding 6,9 %	0402 99 11 9130	(¹⁴)	0,0456
	- Exceeding 6,9 %	0402 99 11 9150	(¹⁴)	0,1269
	- Of a non-fat lactic dry matter content of 15 % or more and of a fat content, by weight:			
	- Not exceeding 3 %	0402 99 11 9310	(¹⁴)	0,2689
	- Exceeding 3 % but not exceeding 6,9 %	0402 99 11 9330	(¹⁴)	0,3228
	- Exceeding 6,9 %	0402 99 11 9350	(¹⁴)	0,4291
0402 99 19	---- Other:			
	- Of a non-fat lactic dry matter content of less than 15 % and of a fat content, by weight:			
	- Not exceeding 3 %	0402 99 19 9110	(¹⁴)	0,0233
	- Exceeding 3 % but not exceeding 6,9 %	0402 99 19 9130	(¹⁴)	0,0456
	- Exceeding 6,9 %	0402 99 19 9150	(¹⁴)	0,1269
	- Of a non-fat lactic dry matter content of 15 % or more and of a fat content, by weight:			
	- Not exceeding 3 %	0402 99 19 9310	(¹⁴)	0,2689
	- Exceeding 3 % but not exceeding 6,9 %	0402 99 19 9330	(¹⁴)	0,3228
	- Exceeding 6,9 %	0402 99 19 9350	(¹⁴)	0,4291
	--- Of a fat content, by weight, exceeding 9,5 % but not exceeding 45 %:			
0402 99 31	---- In immediate packings not exceeding 2,5 kg:			
	- Of a fat content, by weight, not exceeding 21 %:			
	- Of a non-fat lactic dry matter content, by weight, of less than 15 %	0402 99 31 9110	(¹⁴)	0,0975
	- Of a non-fat lactic dry matter content, by weight, of 15 % or more	0402 99 31 9150	(¹⁴)	0,4467
	- Of a fat content, by weight, exceeding 21 % but not exceeding 39 %	0402 99 31 9300	(¹⁴)	0,3832
	- Of a fat content, by weight, exceeding 39 %	0402 99 31 9500	(¹⁴)	0,6600
0402 99 39	---- Other:			
	- Of a fat content, by weight, not exceeding 21 %:			
	- Of a non-fat lactic dry matter content, by weight, of less than 15 %	0402 99 39 9110	(¹⁴)	0,0975
	- Of a non-fat lactic dry matter content, by weight, of 15 % or more	0402 99 39 9150	(¹⁴)	0,4467
	- Of a fat content, by weight, exceeding 21 % but not exceeding 39 %	0402 99 39 9300	(¹⁴)	0,3832
	- Of a fat content, by weight, exceeding 39 %	0402 99 39 9500	(¹⁴)	0,6600

(in EUR/100 kg weight, if no other indication)

CN code	Description of goods	Product code	Notes	Amount of aid
	--- Of a fat content, by weight, exceeding 45 %:			
0402 99 91	---- In immediate packings not exceeding 2,5 kg	0402 99 91 9000	(¹⁴)	0,7522
0402 99 99	---- Other	0402 99 99 9000	(¹⁴)	0,7522
ex 0405	Butter and other fats and oils derived from milk; dairy spreads:			
0405 10	- Butter:			
	-- Of a fat content, by weight, not exceeding 85 %:			
	--- Natural butter:			
0405 10 11	---- In immediate packings of a net content not exceeding 1 kg:			
	----- Of a fat content by weight:			
	----- Of 80 % or more but less than 82 %	0405 10 11 9500		176,10
	----- Of 82 % or more	0405 10 11 9700		180,50
0405 10 19	---- Other:			
	----- Of a fat content by weight:			
	----- Of 80 % or more but less than 82 %	0405 10 19 9500		176,10
	----- Of 82 % or more	0405 10 19 9700		180,50
0405 10 30	--- Recombined butter:			
	---- In immediate packings of a net content not exceeding 1 kg:			
	----- Of a fat content by weight:			
	----- Of 80 % or more but less than 82 %	0405 10 30 9100		176,10
	----- Of 82 % or more	0405 10 30 9300		180,50
	---- Other:			
	----- Of a fat content by weight:			
	----- Of 80 % or more but less than 82 %	0405 10 30 9500		176,10
	----- Of 82 % or more	0405 10 30 9700		180,50
0405 10 50	--- Whey butter:			
	---- In immediate packings of a net content not exceeding 1 kg:			
	----- Of a fat content by weight:			
	----- Of 80 % or more but less than 82 %	0405 10 50 9100		176,10
	----- Of 82 % or more	0405 10 50 9300		180,50
	---- Other:			
	----- Of a fat content by weight:			
	----- Of 80 % or more but less than 82 %	0405 10 50 9500		176,10
	----- Of 82 % or more	0405 10 50 9700		180,50
0405 10 90	-- Other	0405 10 90 9000		187,10
ex 0405 20	- Dairy spreads:			
0405 20 90	-- Of a fat content by weight of more than 75 % but less than 80 %:			
	--- Of a fat content by weight:			
	---- Of more than 75 % but less than 78 %	0405 20 90 9500		165,09
	---- Of 78 % or more	0405 20 90 9700		171,69
0405 90	- Other:			
0405 90 10	-- Of a fat content by weight of 99,3 % or more and of a water content by weight not exceeding 0,5 %:	0405 90 10 9000		228,00
0405 90 90	-- Other	0405 90 90 9000		180,50

(in EUR/100 kg weight, if no other indication)

CN code	Description of goods	Additional requirements for using the product code		Product code	Notes	Amount of aid
		Maximum water content in product weight (%)	Minimum fat content in the dry matter (%)			
ex 0406	Cheese and curd ⁽⁵⁾ :					
ex 0406 30	— Processed cheese, not grated or powdered ⁽⁶⁾ :					
	— — Other:					
	— — — Of a fat content, by weight, not exceeding 36 % and of a fat content, by weight, in the dry matter:					
ex 0406 30 31	— — — — Not exceeding 48 %:					
	— — — — — Of a dry matter content, by weight:					
	— — — — — — Of 40 % or more but less than 43 %, and of a fat content, by weight, in the dry matter:					
	— — — — — — — Of less than 20 %	60		0406 30 31 9710	⁽⁵⁾	17,88
	— — — — — — — Of 20 % or more	60	20	0406 30 31 9730	⁽⁵⁾	26,24
	— — — — — — — Of 43 % or more and with a fat content, by weight, in the dry matter:					
	— — — — — — — — Of less than 20 %	57		0406 30 31 9910	⁽⁵⁾	17,88
	— — — — — — — — Of 20 % or more but less than 40 %	57	20	0406 30 31 9930	⁽⁵⁾	26,24
	— — — — — — — — Of 40 % or more	57	40	0406 30 31 9950	⁽⁵⁾	38,17
ex 0406 30 39	— — — — Exceeding 48 %:					
	— — — — — Of a dry matter, content, by weight:					
	— — — — — — Of 40 % or more but less than 43 %	60	48	0406 30 39 9500	⁽⁵⁾	26,24
	— — — — — — — Of 43 % or more but less than 46 %	57	48	0406 30 39 9700	⁽⁵⁾	38,17
	— — — — — — — — Of 46 % or more and with a fat content, by weight, in the dry matter:					
	— — — — — — — — — Of less than 55 %	54	48	0406 30 39 9930	⁽⁵⁾	38,17
	— — — — — — — — — Of 55 % or more	54	55	0406 30 39 9950	⁽⁵⁾	43,16
ex 0406 30 90	— — — — Of a list content exceeding 36 %	54	79	0406 30 90 9000	⁽⁵⁾	45,28
ex 0406 90 23	— — — — Edam	47	40	0406 90 23 9900	⁽⁵⁾	103,92
ex 0406 90 25	— — — — Tilsit	47	45	0406 90 25 9900	⁽⁵⁾	102,80
ex 0406 90 27	— — — — Butterkäse	52	45	0406 90 27 9900	⁽⁵⁾	93,10
ex 0406 90 76	— — — — — — — — — — Danbo, Fontal, Fontina, Fynbo, Havarti, Maribo, Samsøe:					
	— — — — — — — — — — — Of a fat content, by weight, in the dry matter of 45 % or more but less than 55 %:					
	— — — — — — — — — — — — Of a dry matter content, by weight, of 50 % or more but less than 56 %	50	45	0406 90 76 9300	⁽⁵⁾	96,98
	— — — — — — — — — — — — — Of a dry matter content, by weight, of 56 % or more	46	55	0406 90 76 9400	⁽⁵⁾	108,62
	— — — — — — — — — — — — — — Of a fat content, by weight, in the dry matter of 55 % or more	46	55	0406 90 76 9500	⁽⁵⁾	102,45

(in EUR/100 kg weight, if no other indication)

CN code	Description of goods	Additional requirements for using the product code		Product code	Notes	Amount of aid
		Maximum water content in product weight (%)	Minimum fat content in the dry matter (%)			
ex 0406 90 78	----- Gouda:					
	----- Of a fat content, by weight, in the dry matter of less than 48 %	50	20	0406 90 78 9100	(⁵)	102,26
	----- Of a fat content by weight, in the dry matter of 48 % or more but less 55 %	45	48	0406 90 78 9300	(⁵)	105,98
	----- Other	45	55	0406 90 78 9500	(⁵)	104,35
ex 0406 90 79	----- Esrom, Italico, Kernhem, Saint-Nectaire, Saint-Paulin, Taleggio	56	40	0406 90 79 9900	(⁵)	86,27
ex 0406 90 81	----- Cantal, Cheshire, Wensleydale, Lancashire, Double Gloucester, Blarney, Colby, Monterey	44	45	0406 90 81 9900	(⁵)	108,62
ex 0406 90 86	----- Exceeding 47 % but not exceeding 52 %:					
	----- cheeses produced from whey			0406 90 86 9100		—
	----- Other, of a fat content, by weight, in the dry matter:					
	----- Of less than 5 %	52		0406 90 86 9200	(⁵)	102,23
	----- Of 5 % or more but less than 19 %	51	5	0406 90 86 9300	(⁵)	103,32
	----- Of 19 % or more but less than 39 %	47	19	0406 90 86 9400	(⁵)	108,62
	----- Of 39 % or more	40	39	0406 90 86 9900	(⁵)	117,90
ex 0406 90 87	----- Exceeding 52 % but not exceeding 62 %:					
	----- cheeses produced from whey, except for Manouri			0406 90 87 9100		—
	----- Other, of a fat content, by weight, in the dry matter:					
	----- Of less than 5 %	60		0406 90 87 9200	(⁵)	85,19
	----- Of 5 % or more but less than 19 %	55	5	0406 90 87 9300	(⁵)	94,89
	----- Of 19 % or more but less than 40 %	53	19	0406 90 87 9400	(⁵)	96,33
	----- Of 40 % or more:					
	----- Idiazabal, Manchego and Roncal manufactured exclusively from sheep's milk	45	45	0406 90 87 9951	(⁵)	106,68
	----- Maasdam	45	45	0406 90 87 9971	(⁵)	106,68
	----- Manouri	43	53	0406 90 87 9972	(⁵)	45,63
	----- Hushallsost	46	45	0406 90 87 9973	(⁵)	104,74
	----- Murukoloinen	41	50	0406 90 87 9974	(⁵)	113,19
	----- Other	47	40	0406 90 87 9979	(⁵)	103,92

(in EUR/100 kg weight, if no other indication)

CN code	Description of goods	Additional requirements for using the product code		Product code	Notes	Amount of aid
		Maximum water content in product weight (%)	Minimum fat content in the dry matter (%)			
ex 0406 90 88	----- Exceeding 62 % but not exceeding 72 %: ----- cheeses produced from whey ----- Other: ----- Other: ----- Of a fat content, by weight, in the dry matter: ----- Of 10 % or more but less than 19 %	60	10	0406 90 88 9100 0406 90 88 9300	 (⁵)	— 83,50

(⁵) In the case of cheeses presented in containers which also contain conserving liquid, in particular brine, the aid is granted on the net weight, the weight of the liquid being deducted.

(⁶) Where the product contains non-lactic matter and/or casein and/or caseinates and/or whey and/or products derived from whey and/or lactose and/or permeate and/or products falling within CN code 3504, the part corresponding to the added non-lactic matter and/or casein and/or caseinates and/or whey and/or products derived from whey and/or lactose and/or permeate and/or products falling within CN code 3504 will not be taken into account for the purpose of calculating the aid.

When completing customs formalities, the party concerned is to state, on the declaration provided for the purpose, whether or not non-lactic matter and/or casein and/or caseinates and/or whey and/or products derived from whey and/or lactose and/or permeate and/or products falling within CN code 3504 have been added and, if so, the maximum content by weight of added non-lactic matter and/or casein and/or caseinates and/or whey and/or products derived from whey and/or lactose and/or permeate and/or products falling within CN code 3504 per 100 kilograms of finished product.

(⁷) The aid on frozen condensed milk is the same as that on products falling within CN codes 0402 91 or 0402 99.

(¹³) Where the product contains non-lactic matter, the non-lactic matter is not to be taken into account for the purposes of calculating the aid.

When completing customs formalities, the applicant must state on the declaration provided for that purpose whether or not non-lactic matter has been added and, where this is the case, the maximum content by weight of the non-lactic matter added per 100 kilograms of finished product.

(¹⁴) Where the product contains non-lactic matter other than sucrose, the non-lactic matter other than sucrose is not to be taken into account for the purposes of calculating the aid.

The aid on 100 kilograms of product covered by this subheading is equal to the sum of the following components:

(a) the amount per kilogram shown, multiplied by the weight of the lactic matter per 100 kilograms of product;

(b) a component calculated in accordance with Article 12(3) of Commission Regulation (EC) No 1466/95 (OJ L 144, 28.6.1995, p. 22).

When completing customs formalities, the applicant must state on the declaration provided for that purpose the maximum content by weight of sucrose and/or other non-lactic matter added per 100 kilograms of finished product.

**COMMISSION REGULATION (EC) No 577/2000
of 16 March 2000**

**amending Regulation (EEC) No 2219/92 laying down detailed rules for the application of the
specific supply arrangements for Madeira relating to milk products regarding the amounts of aid**

THE COMMISSION OF THE EUROPEAN COMMUNITIES,

Having regard to the Treaty establishing the European Community,

Having regard to Council Regulation (EEC) No 1600/92 of 15 June 1992 concerning specific measures for the Azores and Madeira relating to certain agricultural products⁽¹⁾, as last amended by Commission Regulation (EC) No 562/98⁽²⁾, and in particular Article 10 thereof,

Whereas:

- (1) Commission Regulation (EEC) No 1696/92⁽³⁾, as last amended by Regulation (EEC) No 2596/93⁽⁴⁾, lays down in particular the detailed rules for the application of the specific arrangements for the supply of certain agricultural products to the Azores and Madeira.
- (2) Annex II to Regulation (EEC) No 2219/92 of 30 July 1992 laying down detailed rules for the application of the specific supply arrangements for Madeira relating to milk products and establishing the forecast supply

balance⁽⁵⁾, as last amended by Regulation (EC) No 196/2000⁽⁶⁾, fixes the aid for milk products.

- (3) Commission Regulation (EC) No 572/2000 of 16 March 2000 fixing the export refunds on milk and milk products⁽⁷⁾, fixes the refunds on those products; whereas Annex II to Regulation (EEC) No 2219/92 should be adapted to take account of those adjustments.
- (4) The Management Committee for Milk and Milk Products has not delivered an opinion within the time limit set by its chairman,

HAS ADOPTED THIS REGULATION:

Article 1

Annex II to Regulation (EEC) No 2219/92 is hereby replaced by the Annex hereto.

Article 2

This Regulation shall enter into force on 17 March 2000.

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

Done at Brussels, 16 March 2000.

For the Commission

Franz FISCHLER

Member of the Commission

⁽¹⁾ OJ L 173, 27.6.1992, p. 1.

⁽²⁾ OJ L 76, 13.3.1998, p. 6.

⁽³⁾ OJ L 179, 1.7.1992, p. 6.

⁽⁴⁾ OJ L 238, 23.9.1993, p. 24.

⁽⁵⁾ OJ L 218, 1.8.1992, p. 75.

⁽⁶⁾ OJ L 23, 28.1.2000, p. 21.

⁽⁷⁾ See page 9 of this Official Journal.

ANNEX

ANNEX II

(in EUR/100 kg weight, if no other indication)

CN code	Description of goods	Product code	Notes	Amount of aid
0401	Milk and cream, not concentrated nor containing added sugar or other sweetening matter:			
0401 10	– Of a fat content, by weight, not exceeding 1 %:			
0401 10 10	– – In immediate packings of a net content not exceeding 2 litres	0401 10 10 9000		2,327
0401 10 90	– – Other	0401 10 90 9000		2,327
0401 20	– Of a fat content, by weight, exceeding 1 % but not exceeding 6 %:			
	– – Not exceeding 3 %:			
0401 20 11	– – – In immediate packings of a net content not exceeding 2 litres:			
	– Of a fat content, by weight, not exceeding 1,5 %	0401 20 11 9100		2,327
	– Of a fat content, by weight, exceeding 1,5 %	0401 20 11 9500		3,597
0401 20 19	– – – Other:			
	– Of a fat content, by weight, not exceeding 1,5 %	0401 20 19 9100		2,327
	– Of a fat content, by weight, exceeding 1,5 %	0401 20 19 9500		3,597
	– – Exceeding 3 %:			
0401 20 91	– – – In immediate packings of a net content not exceeding 2 litres:			
	– Of a fat content, by weight, not exceeding 4 %	0401 20 91 9100		4,551
	– Of a fat content, by weight, exceeding 4 %	0401 20 91 9500		5,302
0401 20 99	– – – Other:			
	– Of a fat content, by weight, not exceeding 4 %	0401 20 99 9100		4,551
	– Of a fat content, by weight, exceeding 4 %	0401 20 99 9500		5,302
0401 30	– Of a fat content, by weight, exceeding 6 %:			
	– – Not exceeding 21 %:			
0401 30 11	– – – In immediate packings of a net content not exceeding 2 litres:			
	– Of a fat content, by weight:			
	– Not exceeding 10 %	0401 30 11 9100		6,803
	– Exceeding 10 % but not exceeding 17 %	0401 30 11 9400		10,50
	– Exceeding 17 %	0401 30 11 9700		15,77
0401 30 19	– – – Other:			
	– Of a fat content, by weight:			
	– Not exceeding 10 %	0401 30 19 9100		6,803
	– Exceeding 10 % but not exceeding 17 %	0401 30 19 9400		10,50
	– Exceeding 17 %	0401 30 19 9700		15,77
	– – Exceeding 21 % but not exceeding 45 %:			

(in EUR/100 kg weight, if no other indication)

CN code	Description of goods	Product code	Notes	Amount of aid
0401 30 31	--- In immediate packings of a net content not exceeding 2 litres: - Of a fat content, by weight: - Not exceeding 35 % - Exceeding 35 % but not exceeding 39 % - Exceeding 39 %	0401 30 31 9100 0401 30 31 9400 0401 30 31 9700		38,32 59,85 66,00
0401 30 39	--- Other: - Of a fat content, by weight: - Not exceeding 35 % - Exceeding 35 % but not exceeding 39 % - Exceeding 39 % -- Exceeding 45 %:	0401 30 39 9100 0401 30 39 9400 0401 30 39 9700		38,32 59,85 66,00
0401 30 91	--- In immediate packings of a net content not exceeding 2 litres: - Of a fat content, by weight: - Not exceeding 68 % - Exceeding 68 % but not exceeding 80 % - Exceeding 80 %	0401 30 91 9100 0401 30 91 9400 0401 30 91 9700		75,22 110,55 129,01
0401 30 99	--- Other: - Of a fat content, by weight: - Not exceeding 68 % - Exceeding 68 % but not exceeding 80 % - Exceeding 80 %	0401 30 99 9100 0401 30 99 9400 0401 30 99 9700		75,22 110,55 129,01
ex 0402	Skimmed-milk powder of a fat content, by weight, not exceeding 1,5 %	0402 10 11 9000 0402 10 19 9000	(¹³)	72,20
ex 0402	Whole milk powder of a fat content, by weight, not exceeding 27 %	0402 21 11 9900 0402 21 19 9900	(¹³)	103,60
0402 21 11	---- In immediate packings of a net content not exceeding 2,5 kg: - Of a fat content, by weight: - Not exceeding 11 % - Exceeding 11 % but not exceeding 17 % - Exceeding 17 % but not exceeding 25 % - Exceeding 25 %	0402 21 11 9200 0402 21 11 9300 0402 21 11 9500 0402 21 11 9900	(¹³) (¹³) (¹³) (¹³)	72,20 91,40 96,30 103,60
0402 21 19	---- Other: ----- Of a fat content, by weight, exceeding 11 % but not exceeding 27 %: - Not exceeding 17 % - Exceeding 17 % but not exceeding 25 % - Exceeding 25 %	0402 21 19 9300 0402 21 19 9500 0402 21 19 9900	(¹³) (¹³) (¹³)	91,40 96,30 103,60

(in EUR/100 kg weight, if no other indication)

CN code	Description of goods	Product code	Notes	Amount of aid
ex 0405	Butter and other fats and oils derived from milk; dairy spreads:			
0405 10	– Butter:			
	– – Of a fat content, by weight, not exceeding 85 %:			
	– – – Natural butter:			
0405 10 11	– – – – In immediate packings of a net content not exceeding 1 kg:			
	– – – – – Of a fat content by weight:			
	– – – – – – Of 80 % or more but less than 82 %	0405 10 11 9500		176,10
	– – – – – – Of 82 % or more	0405 10 11 9700		180,50
0405 10 19	– – – – Other:			
	– – – – – Of a fat content by weight:			
	– – – – – – Of 80 % or more but less than 82 %	0405 10 19 9500		176,10
	– – – – – – Of 82 % or more	0405 10 19 9700		180,50
0405 10 30	– – – Recombined butter:			
	– – – – In immediate packings of a net content not exceeding 1 kg:			
	– – – – – Of a fat content by weight:			
	– – – – – – Of 80 % or more but less than 82 %	0405 10 30 9100		176,10
	– – – – – – Of 82 % or more	0405 10 30 9300		180,50
	– – – – Other:			
	– – – – – Of a fat content by weight:			
	– – – – – – Of 80 % or more but less than 82 %	0405 10 30 9500		176,10
	– – – – – – Of 82 % or more	0405 10 30 9700		180,50
0405 10 50	– – – Whey butter:			
	– – – – In immediate packings of a net content not exceeding 1 kg:			
	– – – – – Of a fat content by weight:			
	– – – – – – Of 80 % or more but less than 82 %	0405 10 50 9100		176,10
	– – – – – – Of 82 % or more	0405 10 50 9300		180,50
	– – – – Other:			
	– – – – – Of a fat content by weight:			
	– – – – – – Of 80 % or more but less than 82 %	0405 10 50 9500		176,10
	– – – – – – Of 82 % or more	0405 10 50 9700		180,50
0405 10 90	– – Other	0405 10 90 9000		187,10
ex 0405 20	– Dairy spreads:			
0405 20 90	– – Of a fat content by weight of more than 75 % but less than 80 %:			
	– – – Of a fat content by weight:			
	– – – – Of more than 75 % but less than 78 %	0405 20 90 9500		165,09
	– – – – Of 78 % or more	0405 20 90 9700		171,69
0405 90	– Other:			
0405 90 10	– – Of a fat content by weight of 99,3 % or more and of a water content by weight not exceeding 0,5 %:	0405 90 10 9000		228,00
0405 90 90	– – Other	0405 90 90 9000		180,50

(in EUR/100 kg weight, if no other indication)

CN code	Description of goods	Additional requirements for using the product code		Product code	Notes	Amount of aid
		Maximum water content in product weight (%)	Minimum fat content in the dry matter (%)			
ex 0406	Cheese and curd ⁽³⁾ :					
ex 0406 90 23	--- Edam	47	40	0406 90 23 9900	⁽³⁾	103,92
ex 0406 90 25	--- Tilsit	47	45	0406 90 25 9900	⁽³⁾	102,80
ex 0406 90 76	----- Danbo, Fontal, Fontina, Fynbo, Havarti, Maribo, Samsoe:					
	----- Of a fat content, by weight, in the dry matter of 45 % or more but less than 55 %:					
	----- Of a dry matter content, by weight, of 50 % or more but less than 56 %	50	45	0406 90 76 9300	⁽³⁾	96,98
	----- Of a dry matter content, by weight, of 56 % or more	44	45	0406 90 76 9400	⁽³⁾	108,62
	----- Of a fat content, by weight, in the dry matter of 55 % or more	46	55	0406 90 76 9500	⁽³⁾	102,45
ex 0406 90 78	----- Gouda:					
	----- Of a fat content, by weight, in the dry matter of less than 48 %	50	20	0406 90 78 9100	⁽³⁾	102,26
	----- Of a fat content by weight, in the dry matter of 48 % or more but less than 55 %	45	48	0406 90 78 9300	⁽³⁾	105,98
	----- Other	45	55	0406 90 78 9500	⁽³⁾	104,35
ex 0406 90 79	----- Esrom, Italico, Kernhem, Saint-Nectaire, Saint-Paulin, Taleggio	56	40	0406 90 79 9900	⁽³⁾	86,27
ex 0406 90 81	----- Cantal, Cheshire, Wensleydale, Lancashire, Double Gloucester, Blarney, Colby, Monterey	44	44	0406 90 81 9900	⁽³⁾	108,62
ex 0406 90 86	----- Exceeding 47 % but not exceeding 52 %:					
	----- cheeses produced from whey			0406 90 86 9100		—
	----- Other, of a fat content, by weight, in the dry matter:					
	----- Of less than 5 %	52		0406 90 86 9200	⁽³⁾	102,23
	----- Of 5 % or more but less than 19 %	51	5	0406 90 86 9300	⁽³⁾	103,32
	----- Of 19 % or more but less than 39 %	47	19	0406 90 86 9400	⁽³⁾	108,62
	----- Of 39 % or more	40	39	0406 90 86 9900	⁽³⁾	117,90
ex 0406 90 87	----- Exceeding 52 % but not exceeding 62 %:					
	----- cheeses produced from whey, except for Manouri			0406 90 87 9100		—
	----- Other, of a fat content, by weight, in the dry matter:					
	----- Of less than 5 %	60		0406 90 87 9200	⁽³⁾	85,19
	----- Of 5 % or more but less than 19 %	55	5	0406 90 87 9300	⁽³⁾	94,89
	----- Of 19 % or more but less than 40 %	53	19	0406 90 87 9400	⁽³⁾	96,33

(in EUR/100 kg weight, if no other indication)

CN code	Description of goods	Additional requirements for using the product code		Product code	Notes	Amount of aid
		Maximum water content in product weight (%)	Minimum fat content in the dry matter (%)			
ex 0406 90 87 (cont'd.)	----- Of 40 % or more:					
	----- Idiazabal, Manchego and Roncal manufactured exclusively from sheep's milk	45	45	0406 90 87 9951	(³)	106,68
	----- Maasdam	45	45	0406 90 87 9971	(³)	106,68
	----- Manouri	43	53	0406 90 87 9972	(³)	45,63
	----- Hushallsost	46	45	0406 90 87 9973	(³)	104,74
	----- Murukoloinen	41	50	0406 90 87 9974	(³)	113,19
	----- Other:	47	40	0406 90 87 9979	(³)	103,92
ex 0406 90 88	----- Exceeding 62 % but not exceeding 72 %:					
	----- cheese produced from whey			0406 90 88 9100		—
	----- Other:					
	----- Other:					
	----- Of a fat content, by weight, in the dry matter:					
	----- Of 10 % or more but less than 19 %	60	10	0406 90 88 9300	(³)	83,50

(³) In the case of cheese presented in containers which also contain conserving liquid, in particular brine, the aid is granted on the net weight, the weight of the liquid being deducted.

(¹³) Where the product contains non-lactic matter, the non-lactic matter is not to be taken into account for the purposes of calculating the aid.

When completing customs formalities, the applicant must state on the declaration provided for that purpose whether or not non-lactic matter has been added and, where this is the case, the maximum content by weight of the non-lactic matter added per 100 kilograms of finished product.'

COMMISSION REGULATION (EC) No 578/2000
of 16 March 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 566/2000 ⁽⁵⁾.

- (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. It is therefore necessary to adjust the import duties fixed in Regulation (EC) No 566/2000,

HAS ADOPTED THIS REGULATION:

Article 1

Annexes I and II to Regulation (EC) No 566/2000 are hereby replaced by Annexes I and II to this Regulation.

Article 2

This Regulation shall enter into force on 17 March 2000.

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

Done at Brussels, 16 March 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 68, 16.3.2000, p. 59.

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	17,09	7,09
	medium quality ⁽¹⁾	27,09	17,09
1001 90 91	Common wheat seed	28,23	18,23
1001 90 99	Common high quality wheat other than for sowing ⁽³⁾	28,23	18,23
	medium quality	65,27	55,27
	low quality	84,51	74,51
1002 00 00	Rye	70,07	60,07
1003 00 10	Barley, seed	70,07	60,07
1003 00 90	Barley, other ⁽³⁾	70,07	60,07
1005 10 90	Maize seed other than hybrid	83,42	73,42
1005 90 00	Maize other than seed ⁽³⁾	83,42	73,42
1007 00 90	Grain sorghum other than hybrids for sowing	70,07	60,07

⁽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

(for 15 March 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)	124,26	113,22	96,94	90,86	168,72 (**)	158,72 (**)	114,80 (**)
Gulf premium (EUR/t)	32,37	6,38	4,37	11,53	—	—	—
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: 17,62 EUR/t; Great Lakes — Rotterdam: 29,31 EUR/t.

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

COMMISSION REGULATION (EC) No 579/2000**of 16 March 2000****fixing the export refunds on cereals and on wheat or rye flour, groats and meal**

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⁾, and in particular Article 13 (2) thereof,

Whereas:

- (1) Article 13 of Regulation (EEC) No 1766/92 provides that the difference between quotations or prices on the world market for the products listed in Article 1 of that Regulation and prices for those products in the Community may be covered by an export refund.
- (2) The refunds must be fixed taking into account the factors referred to in Article 1 of Commission Regulation (EC) No 1501/95 of 29 June 1995 laying down certain detailed rules under Council Regulation (EEC) No 1766/92 on the granting of export refunds on cereals and the measures to be taken in the event of disturbance on the market for cereals⁽³⁾, as last amended by Regulation (EC) No 2513/98⁽⁴⁾.
- (3) As far as wheat and rye flour, groats and meal are concerned, when the refund on these products is being calculated, account must be taken of the quantities of cereals required for their manufacture; whereas these quantities were fixed in Regulation (EC) No 1501/95.

- (4) The world market situation or the specific requirements of certain markets may make it necessary to vary the refund for certain products according to destination.
- (5) The refund must be fixed once a month; whereas it may be altered in the intervening period.
- (6) It follows from applying the detailed rules set out above to the present situation on the market in cereals, and in particular to quotations or prices for these products within the Community and on the world market, that the refunds should be as set out in the Annex hereto.
- (7) The measures provided for in this Regulation are in accordance with the opinion of the Management Committee for Cereals,

HAS ADOPTED THIS REGULATION:

Article 1

The export refunds on the products listed in Article 1(a), (b) and (c) of Regulation (EEC) No 1766/92, excluding malt, exported in the natural state, shall be as set out in the Annex hereto.

Article 2

This Regulation shall enter into force on 17 March 2000.

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

Done at Brussels, 16 March 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 147, 30.6.1995, p. 7.

⁽⁴⁾ OJ L 313, 21.11.1998, p. 16.

ANNEX

**to the Commission Regulation of 16 March 2000 fixing the export refunds on cereals and on wheat or rye flour,
groats and meal**

(EUR/t)			(EUR/t)		
Product code	Destination ⁽¹⁾	Amount of refund	Product code	Destination ⁽¹⁾	Amount of refund
1001 10 00 9200	—	—	1101 00 11 9000	—	—
1001 10 00 9400	01	0	1101 00 15 9100	01	40,50
1001 90 91 9000	—	—	1101 00 15 9130	01	37,75
1001 90 99 9000	03	19,50	1101 00 15 9150	01	34,75
	02	0	1101 00 15 9170	01	32,75
1002 00 00 9000	03	56,00	1101 00 15 9180	01	30,00
	02	0	1101 00 15 9190	—	—
1003 00 10 9000	—	—	1101 00 90 9000	—	—
1003 00 90 9000	03	18,00	1102 10 00 9500	01	87,00
	02	0	1102 10 00 9700	01	68,50
1004 00 00 9200	—	—	1102 10 00 9900	—	—
1004 00 00 9400	—	—	1103 11 10 9200	01	0 ⁽²⁾
1005 10 90 9000	—	—	1103 11 10 9400	01	0 ⁽²⁾
1005 90 00 9000	03	25,00	1103 11 10 9900	—	—
	02	0	1103 11 90 9200	01	0 ⁽²⁾
1007 00 90 9000	—	—	1103 11 90 9800	—	—
1008 20 00 9000	—	—			

⁽¹⁾ The destinations are identified as follows:

- 01 all third countries,
- 02 other third countries,
- 03 Switzerland, Liechtenstein.

⁽²⁾ No refund is granted when this product contains compressed meal.

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

**COMMISSION REGULATION (EC) No 580/2000
of 16 March 2000**

**fixing the maximum export refund on common wheat in connection with the invitation to tender
issued in Regulation (EC) No 1707/1999**

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 1501/95 of 29 June 1995 laying down certain detailed rules for the application of Council Regulation (EEC) No 1766/92 on the granting of export refunds on cereals and the measures to be taken in the event of disturbance on the market for cereals ⁽³⁾, as last amended by Regulation (EC) No 2513/98 ⁽⁴⁾, and in particular Article 4 thereof,

Whereas:

- (1) An invitation to tender for the refund and/or the tax for the export of common wheat to all third countries was opened pursuant to Commission Regulation (EC) No 1707/1999 ⁽⁵⁾, as amended by Regulation (EC) No 2011/1999 ⁽⁶⁾.
- (2) Article 7 of Regulation (EC) No 1501/95 provides that the Commission may, on the basis of the tenders notified, in accordance with the procedure laid down in Article 23 of Regulation (EEC) No 1766/92, decide to fix

a maximum export refund taking account of the criteria referred to in Article 1 of Regulation (EC) No 1501/95. In that case a contract is awarded to any tenderer whose bid is equal to or lower than the maximum refund, as well as to any tenderer whose bid relates to an export tax.

- (3) The application of the abovementioned criteria to the current market situation for the cereal in question results in the maximum export refund being fixed at the amount specified in Article 1.
- (4) The measures provided for in this Regulation are in accordance with the opinion of the Management Committee for Cereals,

HAS ADOPTED THIS REGULATION:

Article 1

For tenders notified from 10 to 16 March 2000, pursuant to the invitation to tender issued in Regulation (EC) No 1707/1999, the maximum refund on exportation of common wheat shall be EUR 29,49/t.

Article 2

This Regulation shall enter into force on 17 March 2000.

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

Done at Brussels, 16 March 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 147, 30.6.1995, p. 7.

⁽⁴⁾ OJ L 313, 21.11.1998, p. 16.

⁽⁵⁾ OJ L 201, 31.7.1999, p. 55.

⁽⁶⁾ OJ L 248, 21.9.1999, p. 23.

COMMISSION REGULATION (EC) No 581/2000**of 16 March 2000****fixing the maximum export refund on common wheat in connection with the invitation to tender issued in Regulation (EC) No 2010/1999**

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 1501/95 of 29 June 1995 laying down certain detailed rules for the application of Council Regulation (EEC) No 1766/92 on the granting of export refunds on cereals and the measures to be taken in the event of disturbance on the market for cereals ⁽³⁾, as last amended by Regulation (EC) No 2513/98 ⁽⁴⁾, and in particular Article 7 thereof,

Whereas:

- (1) An invitation to tender for the refund and/or the tax for the export of common wheat to certain ACP States was opened pursuant to Commission Regulation (EC) No 2010/1999 ⁽⁵⁾.
- (2) Article 7 of Regulation (EC) No 1501/95 provides that the Commission may, on the basis of the tenders notified, in accordance with the procedure laid down in Article 23 of Regulation (EEC) No 1766/92, decide to fix a maximum export refund taking account of the criteria

referred to in Article 1 of Regulation (EC) No 1501/95. In that case a contract is awarded to any tenderer whose bid is equal to or lower than the maximum refund, as well as to any tenderer whose bid relates to an export tax.

- (3) The application of the abovementioned criteria to the current market situation for the cereal in question results in the maximum export refund being fixed at the amount specified in Article 1.
- (4) Whereas the measures provided for in this Regulation are in accordance with the opinion of the Management Committee for Cereals,

HAS ADOPTED THIS REGULATION:

Article 1

For tenders notified from 10 to 16 March 2000, pursuant to the invitation to tender issued in Regulation (EC) No 2010/1999, the maximum refund on exportation of common wheat shall be EUR 32,45/t.

Article 2

This Regulation shall enter into force on 17 March 2000.

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

Done at Brussels, 16 March 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 147, 30.6.1995, p. 7.

⁽⁴⁾ OJ L 313, 21.11.1998, p. 16.

⁽⁵⁾ OJ L 248, 21.9.1999, p. 19.

COMMISSION REGULATION (EC) No 582/2000**of 16 March 2000****fixing the maximum export refund on barley in connection with the invitation to tender issued in Regulation (EC) No 1701/1999**

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 1501/95 of 29 June 1995 laying down certain detailed rules for the application of Council Regulation (EEC) No 1766/92 on the granting of export refunds on cereals and the measures to be taken in the event of disturbance on the market for cereals ⁽³⁾, as last amended by Regulation (EC) No 2513/98 ⁽⁴⁾, and in particular Article 4 thereof,

Whereas:

- (1) An invitation to tender for the refund and/or the tax for the export of barley to all third countries except for the United States of America and Canada was opened pursuant to Commission Regulation (EC) No 1701/1999 ⁽⁵⁾, as amended by Regulation (EC) No 2322/1999 ⁽⁶⁾.
- (2) Article 7 of Regulation (EC) No 1501/95 provides that the Commission may, on the basis of the tenders notified, in accordance with the procedure laid down in Article 23 of Regulation (EEC) No 1766/92, decide to fix

a maximum export refund taking account of the criteria referred to in Article 1 of Regulation (EC) No 1501/95. In that case a contract is awarded to any tenderer whose bid is equal to or lower than the maximum refund, as well as to any tenderer whose bid relates to an export tax.

- (3) The application of the abovementioned criteria to the current market situation for the cereal in question results in the maximum export refund being fixed at the amount specified in Article 1.
- (4) The measures provided for in this Regulation are in accordance with the opinion of the Management Committee for Cereals,

HAS ADOPTED THIS REGULATION:

Article 1

For tenders notified from 10 to 16 March 2000, pursuant to the invitation to tender issued in Regulation (EC) No 1701/1999, the maximum refund on exportation of barley shall be EUR 27,94/t.

Article 2

This Regulation shall enter into force on 17 March 2000.

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

Done at Brussels, 16 March 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 147, 30.6.1995, p. 7.

⁽⁴⁾ OJ L 313, 21.11.1998, p. 16.

⁽⁵⁾ OJ L 201, 31.7.1999, p. 27.

⁽⁶⁾ OJ L 280, 30.10.1999, p. 77.

COMMISSION REGULATION (EC) No 583/2000**of 16 March 2000****fixing the maximum export refund on rye in connection with the invitation to tender issued in Regulation (EC) No 1758/1999**

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 1501/95 of 29 June 1995 laying down certain detailed rules for the application of Council Regulation (EEC) No 1766/92 on the granting of export refunds on cereals and the measures to be taken in the event of disturbance on the market for cereals⁽³⁾, as last amended by Regulation (EC) No 2513/98⁽⁴⁾, and in particular Article 7 thereof,

Whereas:

- (1) An invitation to tender for the refund and/or the tax for the export of rye to all third countries except Estonia, Latvia, Lithuania, Poland, the Czech Republic, the Slovak Republic, Hungary, Romania, Bulgaria and Slovenia was opened pursuant to Commission Regulation (EC) No 1758/1999⁽⁵⁾, as amended by Regulation (EC) No 506/2000⁽⁶⁾.
- (2) Article 7 of Regulation (EC) No 1501/95 provides that the Commission may, on the basis of the tenders notified, in accordance with the procedure laid down in

Article 23 of Regulation (EEC) No 1766/92, decide to fix a maximum export refund taking account of the criteria referred to in Article 1 of Regulation (EC) No 1501/95. In that case a contract is awarded to any tenderer whose bid is equal to or lower than the maximum refund, as well as to any tenderer whose bid relates to an export tax.

- (3) The application of the abovementioned criteria to the current market situation for the cereal in question results in the maximum export refund being fixed at the amount specified in Article 1.
- (4) The measures provided for in this Regulation are in accordance with the opinion of the Management Committee for Cereals,

HAS ADOPTED THIS REGULATION:

Article 1

For tenders notified from 10 to 16 March 2000, pursuant to the invitation to tender issued in Regulation (EC) No 1758/1999, the maximum refund on exportation of rye shall be EUR 65,99/t.

Article 2

This Regulation shall enter into force on 17 March 2000.

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

Done at Brussels, 16 March 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 147, 30.6.1995, p. 7.

⁽⁴⁾ OJ L 313, 21.11.1998, p. 16.

⁽⁵⁾ OJ L 210, 10.8.1999, p. 3.

⁽⁶⁾ OJ L 62, 9.3.2000, p. 22.

COMMISSION REGULATION (EC) No 584/2000
of 16 March 2000
concerning tenders notified in response to the invitation to tender for the export of oats issued in
Regulation (EC) No 1897/1999

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 organization of the market in cereals⁽¹⁾, as last amended by Regulation (EC) No 1253/1999⁽²⁾,

Having regard to Commission Regulation (EC) No 1501/95 of 29 June 1995 laying down certain detailed rules for the application of Council Regulation (EEC) No 1766/92 on the granting of export refunds on cereals and the measures to be taken in the event of disturbance on the market for cereals⁽³⁾, as last amended by Regulation (EC) No 2513/98⁽⁴⁾,

Having regard to Commission Regulation (EC) No 1897/1999 of 2 September 1999 on a special intervention measure for cereals in Finland and Sweden⁽⁵⁾, as last amended by Regulation (EC) No 2482/1999⁽⁶⁾, and in particular Article 8 thereof,

Whereas:

- (1) an invitation to tender for the refund for the export of oats produced in Finland and Sweden for export from Finland or Sweden to all third countries was opened pursuant to Regulation (EC) No 1897/1999;

(2) Article 8 of Regulation (EC) No 1897/1999 provides that the Commission may, on the basis of the tenders notified, in accordance with the procedure laid down in Article 23 of Regulation (EEC) No 1766/92, decide to make no award.

(3) On the basis of the criteria laid down in Article 1 of Regulation (EC) No 1501/95 a maximum refund should not be fixed.

(4) The measures provided for in this Regulation are in accordance with the opinion of the Management Committee for Cereals,

HAS ADOPTED THIS REGULATION:

Article 1

No action shall be taken on the tenders notified from 10 to 16 March 2000 in response to the invitation to tender for the refund for the export of oats issued in Regulation (EC) No 1897/1999.

Article 2

This Regulation shall enter into force on 17 March 2000.

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

Done at Brussels, 16 March 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 147, 30.6.1995, p. 7.

⁽⁴⁾ OJ L 313, 21.11.1998, p. 16.

⁽⁵⁾ OJ L 233, 3.9.1999, p. 10.

⁽⁶⁾ OJ L 303, 26.11.1999, p. 3.

COMMISSION REGULATION (EC) No 585/2000**of 16 March 2000****fixing the rates of the refunds applicable to certain milk products exported in the form of goods not covered by Annex I to the Treaty**

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 15 May 1999 on the common organisation of the market in milk and milk products ⁽¹⁾, and in particular Article 31(3) thereof,

Whereas:

(1) Article 31 (1) of Regulation (EC) No 1255/1999 provides that the difference between prices in international trade for the products listed in Article 1 (a), (b), (c), (d), (e), and (g) of that Regulation and prices within the Community may be covered by an export refund. Whereas Commission Regulation (EC) No 1222/94 of 30 May 1994 laying down common implementing rules for granting export refunds on certain agricultural products exported in the form of goods not covered by Annex I to the Treaty, and criteria for fixing the amount of such refunds ⁽²⁾, as last amended by Regulation (EC) No 238/2000 ⁽³⁾, specifies the products for which a rate of refund should be fixed, to be applied where these products are exported in the form of goods listed in the Annex to Regulation (EC) No 1255/1999.

(2) In accordance with the first subparagraph of Article 4 (1) of Regulation (EC) No 1222/94, the rate of the refund per 100 kilograms for each of the basic products in question must be fixed for each month.

(3) Article 4 (3) of Regulation (EC) No 1222/94 provides that, when the rate of the refund is being fixed, account should be taken, where necessary, of production refunds, aids or other measures having equivalent effect applicable in all Member States in accordance with the Regulation on the common organisation of the market in the product in question to the basic products listed in Annex A to that Regulation or to assimilated products.

(4) Article 11 (1) of Regulation (EC) No 1255/1999 provides for the payment of aid for Community-produced skimmed milk processed into casein if such milk and the casein manufactured from it fulfil certain conditions.

(5) Commission Regulation (EC) No 2571/97 of 15 December 1997 on the sale of butter at reduced prices and the granting of aid for cream, butter and concentrated butter for use in the manufacture of pastry products, ice-cream and other foodstuffs ⁽⁴⁾, as last amended by Regulation (EC) No 494/1999 ⁽⁵⁾, lays down that butter and cream at reduced prices should be made available to industries which manufacture certain goods.

(6) It is necessary to ensure continuity of strict management taking account of expenditure forecasts and funds available in the budget.

(7) Whereas the Management Committee for Milk and Milk Products has not delivered an opinion within the time limit set by its chairman,

HAS ADOPTED THIS REGULATION:

Article 1

1. The rates of the refunds applicable to the basic products appearing in Annex A to Regulation (EC) No 1222/94 and listed in Article 1 of Regulation (EC) No 1255/1999, exported in the form of goods listed in the Annex to Regulation (EC) No 1255/1999, are hereby fixed as shown in the Annex to this Regulation.

2. No rates of refund are fixed for any of the products referred to in the preceding paragraph which are not listed in the Annex to this Regulation.

Article 2

This Regulation shall enter into force on 17 March 2000.

⁽¹⁾ OJ L 160, 26.6.1999, p. 48.

⁽²⁾ OJ L 136, 31.5.1994, p. 5.

⁽³⁾ OJ L 24, 29.1.2000, p. 45.

⁽⁴⁾ OJ L 350, 20.12.1997, p. 3.

⁽⁵⁾ OJ L 59, 6.3.1999, p. 17.

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

Done at Brussels, 16 March 2000.

For the Commission
Erkki LIIKANEN
Member of the Commission

ANNEX

to the Commission Regulation of 16 March 2000 fixing the rates of the refunds applicable to certain milk products exported in the form of goods not covered by Annex I to the Treaty

(EUR/100 kg)

CN code	Description	Rate of refund
ex 0402 10 19	Powdered milk, in granules or other solid forms, not containing added sugar or other sweetening matter, with a fat content not exceeding 1,5 % by weight (PG 2): (a) On exportation of goods of CN code 3501 (b) On exportation of other goods	— 68,95
ex 0402 21 19	Powdered milk, in granules or other solid forms, not containing added sugar or other sweetening matter, with a fat content of 26 % by weight (PG 3): (a) Where goods incorporating, in the form of products assimilated to PG 3, reduced-price butter or cream obtained pursuant to Regulation (EC) No 2571/97 are exported (b) On exportation of other goods	72,38 98,94
ex 0405 10	Butter, with a fat content by weight of 82 % (PG 6): (a) Where goods containing reduced-price butter or cream which have been manufactured in accordance with the conditions provided for in Regulation (EC) No 2571/97 are exported (b) On exportation of goods of CN code 2106 90 98 containing 40 % or more by weight of milk fat (c) On exportation of other goods	67,35 169,60 162,35

COMMISSION REGULATION (EC) No 586/2000
of 16 March 2000
providing for the rejection of applications for export licences in relation to cereal products

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 1162/95 of 23 May 1995 laying down special detailed rules for the application of the system of import and export licences for cereals and rice ⁽³⁾, as last amended by Regulation (EC) No 1432/1999 ⁽⁴⁾, and in particular Article 7(3) thereof,

Whereas:

The quantity covered by applications for advance fixing of refunds for flour of common wheat and spelt could give rise to speculation. It has therefore been decided to reject all applica-

tions for export licences for this product made on 15 and 16 March 2000,

HAS ADOPTED THIS REGULATION:

Article 1

In accordance with Article 7(3) of Regulation (EC) No 1162/95, applications for export licences with advance fixing of refunds for products falling within CN code 1101 00 15 made on 15 and 16 March 2000 shall be rejected.

Article 2

This Regulation shall enter into force on 17 March 2000.

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

Done at Brussels, 16 March 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 117, 24.5.1995, p. 2.

⁽⁴⁾ OJ L 166, 1.7.1999, p. 56.

II

(Acts whose publication is not obligatory)

COUNCIL

**DECISION No 1/2000 OF THE EU-CZECH REPUBLIC ASSOCIATION COUNCIL
of 17 February 2000
extending the double-checking system established by Decision No 3/97 of the Association Council
for the period from 1 January to 31 December 2000**

(2000/219/EC)

THE ASSOCIATION COUNCIL,

Whereas:

- (1) The contact group referred to in Article 10 of Protocol 2 to the Europe Agreement establishing an association between the European Communities and their Member States, of the one part, and the Czech Republic, of the other part, which entered into force on 1 February 1995, met on 16 September 1999 and agreed to recommend to the Association Council established under Article 104 of the Agreement that the double-checking system introduced in 1998 by Decision No 3/97 of the Association Council ⁽¹⁾ and extended by Decision No 7/98 ⁽²⁾ thereof for the period from 1 January to 31 December 1999 should be extended for the period from 1 January to 31 December 2000.
- (2) The Association Council, having been supplied with all relevant information, has agreed with this recommendation,

HAS DECIDED AS FOLLOWS:

Article 1

The double-checking system established by Decision No 3/97 shall continue to apply for the period from 1 January to 31 December 2000. In the preamble and Article 1(1) and (3) of the Decision, references to the period '1 January to 31 December 1999' shall be replaced by references to '1 January to 31 December 2000'.

Article 2

This Decision shall enter into force on the date of its adoption.

It shall apply with effect from 1 January 2000.

Done at Brussels, 17 February 2000.

For the Association Council
The President
J. KAVAN

⁽¹⁾ OJ L 13, 19.1.1998, p. 57.

⁽²⁾ OJ L 29, 3.2.1999, p. 26.

COMMISSION

COMMISSION DECISION

of 7 March 2000

listing the areas of Sweden eligible under Objective 2 of the Structural Funds for the period 2000 to 2006

(notified under document number C(2000) 554)

(Only the Swedish text is authentic)

(2000/220/EC)

THE COMMISSION OF THE EUROPEAN COMMUNITIES,

Having regard to the Treaty establishing the European Community,

Having regard to Council Regulation (EC) No 1260/1999 of 21 June 1999 laying down general provisions on the Structural Funds ⁽¹⁾, and in particular the first subparagraph of Article 4(4) thereof,

After consulting the Committee on the development and conversion of regions, the Committee on Agricultural Structures and rural development and the Committee on structures for fisheries and aquaculture,

Whereas:

- (1) Point 2 of the first subparagraph of Article 1 of Regulation (EC) No 1260/1999 provides that Objective 2 of the Structural Funds is to support the economic and social conversion of areas facing structural difficulties.
- (2) The first subparagraph of Article 4(2) of Regulation (EC) No 1260/1999 provides that the Commission and the Member States shall seek to ensure that assistance is genuinely concentrated on the areas most seriously affected and at the most appropriate geographical level.
- (3) Commission Decision 1999/503/EC ⁽²⁾ lays down, in accordance with Article 4(2) of Regulation (EC) No 1260/1999, a population ceiling for each Member State under Objective 2 of the Structural Funds for the period 2000 to 2006. The ceiling for Sweden is 1 223 000 inhabitants.
- (4) Article 4(4) of Regulation (EC) No 1260/1999 states that the Commission, on the basis of proposals from the Member States and in close concertation with each Member State concerned, is to draw up a list of the areas

eligible under Objective 2 with due regard to national priorities, without prejudice to the transitional support provided for in Article 6(2) of that Regulation.

- (5) Article 4(11) of Regulation (EC) No 1260/1999 provides that each list of areas eligible under Objective 2 is to be valid for seven years from 1 January 2000; however, where there is a serious crisis in a given region, the Commission, acting on a proposal from a Member State, may amend the list of areas during 2003 in accordance with paragraphs 1 to 10 of Article 4, without increasing the proportion of the population within each region referred to in Article 13(2) of that Regulation,

HAS ADOPTED THIS DECISION:

Article 1

The areas in Sweden eligible under Objective 2 of the Structural Funds for the period 2000 to 2006 are listed in the Annex hereto.

This list may be amended in the course of 2003.

Article 2

This Decision is addressed to the Kingdom of Sweden.

Done at Brussels, 7 March 2000.

For the Commission

Michel BARNIER

Member of the Commission

⁽¹⁾ OJ L 161, 26.6.1999, p. 1.

⁽²⁾ OJ L 194, 27.7.1999, p. 58.

ANNEX

**AREAS ELIGIBLE UNDER OBJECTIVE 2 OF THE STRUCTURAL FUNDS IN SWEDEN
(2000 to 2006)**

NUTS level III region	Eligible areas		Population living in the eligible areas of the NUTS level III region (number of inhabitants)
	The whole NUTS level III region with the exception of	Only the following areas are eligible within the NUTS level III region	
Areas satisfying the criteria of Article 4(5) of Regulation (EC) No 1260/1999			
Västmanlands län		<i>The municipalities:</i> Arboga Fagersta Hallstahammar Kugsör Köping Norberg Skinnskatteberg Surahammar Sala Heby Västerås (only the parish of Skultuna and the inhabited islands without fixed link)	136 395
Dalarnas län		<i>The municipalities:</i> Avesta Borlänge Gagnef Hedemora Leksand Ludvika Mora (except the parishes of Venjans and Våmhus) Rättvik Smedjebacken Säter Falun	247 336
Gävleborgs län		<i>The municipalities:</i> Ockelbo Sandviken Söderhamn Ovanåker Bollnäs Nordanstig Hudiksvall Hofors Gävle (except the 'Nyckelkodområden': 105, 106, 115, 121 to 123, 153 to 156, 161, 162, 173, 174, 179, 221 to 226, 231, 232, 234, 236, 304, 315 to 317, 325 to 327)	227 285

NUTS level III region	Eligible areas		Population living in the eligible areas of the NUTS level III region (number of inhabitants)
	The whole NUTS level III region with the exception of	Only the following areas are eligible within the NUTS level III region	
Areas satisfying the criteria of Article 4(9)(a) of Regulation (EC) No 1260/1999			
Örebro län		<i>The municipalities:</i> Degerfors Hällefors Karlskoga Laxå Lindesberg (except the 'Nyckelkodområden': 1114, 1115, 1118) Ljusnarsberg Nora (except the 'Nyckelkodområden': 113311 to 318, 113321 to 322, 113400, 113411 to 413, 113416, 113419, 113431, 113611 to 619, 113621 to 626, 117100, 117111 to 113, 117121 to 124, 117131, 117141 to 145, 117151 to 154, 117200, 117210, 117220, Örebro (only the inhabited islands without a fixed link)	92 385
Värmlands län		<i>The municipalities:</i> Arvika Eda Filipstad Hagfors Kristinehamn Munkfors Storfors Sunne Säffle Årjäng Karlstad (only the inhabited islands without a fixed link)	136 716
Areas satisfying the criteria of Article 4(9)(b) of Regulation (EC) No 1260/1999			
Östergötlands län		<i>The municipalities:</i> Valdemarsvik Ydre Ödeshög Boxholm Norrköping (only the inhabited islands without a fixed link) Söderköping (only the inhabited islands without a fixed link)	24 117

NUTS level III region	Eligible areas		Population living in the eligible areas of the NUTS level III region (number of inhabitants)
	The whole NUTS level III region with the exception of	Only the following areas are eligible within the NUTS level III region	
Jönköpings län		<i>The municipalities:</i> Aneby Nässjö (except the 'Nyckelkodområden': 111111, 111113 to 17, 111121, 111124, 111131 to 34, 111143, 111147, 111151 to 52, 111161, 111211 to 17, 111221 to 23, 111231 to 36, 111241 to 46, 111252 to 53, 111255, 111257, 111271, 111273 to 78, 111511 to 14, 111521 to 25, 111542 to 45, 111547, 111613 to 14, 111624, 111632 to 33, 111642 to 43, 111711 to 13, 111722 to 23, 111725) Sävsjö Vetlanda (except the 'Nyckelkodområden': 501, 50202, 50203, 503, 50412, 50418, 50526, 50703) Eksjö (except the 'Nyckelkodområden': 1101 (excluding 110115), 1103, 1107 (excluding 110711 to 12, 110721 to 24, 110740 to 41, 110799), 1109, 1120 (excluding 112028), 1130, 1715) Tranås (except the 'Nyckelkodområden': 870104, 870110 to 11, 870120, 870124, 870138, to 39, 870143) Jönköpning (only the island Visingsö)	86 991
Kronobergs län		<i>The municipalities:</i> Uppvidinge (except the following streets in the village of Åseda: Fältvägen, Gärdesv., Ängsv., Hasselv., Lakev., Fiskarev., Kräftv., Väktarev., Tärnv., Kantorsv., Prästv., Björkåkrav., Heurlins väg, Norra vägen, Norra Kyrkogatan, Odeng Strömg., Gustavsg. 1-25, Södra Esplanaden 4-30 and 7-23, Åsag., Rönnv., Hagag., Brunnsg. 3-29 and 2-22, Nålg., Torpag., Hjortg., Varendsg., Minervav., Kronobergsg., Stureg., Smedjeg., Dalg. Brinkag) Lessebo (except the 'Nyckelkodområden': 1211 (excluding Västergatan 4, 19 and 26, Sjöparksgatan 1, Gökaskrattområdet and Sågenområdet), 1212 west of Bråtabäcken, 1213 (excluding Storgatan 79 to 87 and the recreation area south of Norrhmsgatan), 1111 north of the extension of Åkerhultsvägen, 1113 (excluding Formaregården))	14 462

NUTS level III region	Eligible areas		Population living in the eligible areas of the NUTS level III region (number of inhabitants)
	The whole NUTS level III region with the exception of	Only the following areas are eligible within the NUTS level III region	
Kalmar län		<i>The municipalities:</i> Högsby Mörbylånga (except the 'Nyckelkodområden': 150100 to 150400 (excluding the Harbour south of Brovägen, Köpsten, the industrial zones and Björnhovda village)) Hultsfred Västervik (except the 'Nyckelkodområden': 112210, 112220, 113110, 113120, 113130, 114110, 114120, 114200, 114210, 114300, 114310, 114320, 114510, 114520, 115100, 115320, 115330, 115340, 121210, 121220, 122110, 122120, 122130, 122210) Vimmerby (except the 'Nyckelkodområden': 1122, 112501, 112503, 112702 to 07, 112709 to 10, 112714 to 22, 1110, 1113, 1124 (excluding 112417, 112418, 112420), 111401 to 403, 111405 to 409, 111411) Borgholm Mönsterås (only the inhabited islands without a fixed link) Oskarshamn (only the inhabited islands without a fixed link)	84 704
Gotlands län		<i>Whole region</i>	57 643
Västra Götalands län		<i>The municipalities:</i> Gullspång Karlsborg Mariestad (except the 'Nyckelkodområden': 111303 to 111309, 111313, 111316 to 111319, 111322, 111324, 111325, 111501, 111502, 111604, 111607, 111609 to 111612, 111614 to 111619, 111705, 111707, 111709, 111710) Töreboda Bengtsfors Dals-Ed Färgelanda Mellerud Åmal	86 632

NUTS level III region	Eligible areas		Population living in the eligible areas of the NUTS level III region (number of inhabitants)
	The whole NUTS level III region with the exception of	Only the following areas are eligible within the NUTS level III region	
Areas satisfying the criteria of Article 4(9)(c) of Regulation (EC) No 1260/1999			
Stockholms län		<i>The municipalities:</i> Österåker (only the inhabited islands without a fixed link) Värmdö (only the inhabited islands without a fixed link) Ekerö (only the inhabited islands without a fixed link) Haninge (only the inhabited islands without a fixed link) Tyresö (only the inhabited islands without a fixed link) Uppslands-Bro (only the inhabited islands without a fixed link) Stockholm (only the inhabited islands without a fixed link) Södertälje (only the inhabited islands without a fixed link) Nacka (only the inhabited islands without a fixed link) Vaxholm (only the inhabited islands without a fixed link) Norrtälje (only the inhabited islands without a fixed link) Nynäshamn (only the inhabited islands without a fixed link) Lidingö (only the inhabited islands without a fixed link) Danderyd (only the inhabited islands without a fixed link) Täby (only the inhabited islands without a fixed link)	7 177
Uppsala län		<i>The municipalities:</i> Enköping (only the inhabited islands without a fixed link) Östhammar (only the inhabited islands without a fixed link)	851
Södermanlands län		<i>The municipalities:</i> Nyköping (only the inhabited islands without a fixed link) Oxelösund (only the inhabited islands without a fixed link) Katrineholm (only the inhabited islands without a fixed link) Strängnäs (only the inhabited islands without a fixed link) Trosa (only the inhabited islands without a fixed link)	49

NUTS level III region	Eligible areas		Population living in the eligible areas of the NUTS level III region (number of inhabitants)
	The whole NUTS level III region with the exception of	Only the following areas are eligible within the NUTS level III region	
Blekinge län		<i>The municipalities:</i> Karlskrona (only the inhabited islands without a fixed link) Ronneby (only the inhabited islands without a fixed link) Karlshamn (only the inhabited islands without a fixed link) Sölvesborg (only the inhabited islands without a fixed link)	713
Skåne län		<i>The municipality:</i> Landskrona (only the island Ven)	354
Hallands län		<i>The municipalities:</i> Varberg (only the inhabited islands without a fixed link) Kungsbacka (only the inhabited islands without a fixed link)	4
Västra Götalands län		<i>The municipalities:</i> Öckerö (only the inhabited islands without a fixed link) Tjörn (only the inhabited islands without a fixed link) Orust (only the inhabited islands without a fixed link) Sotenäs (only the inhabited islands without a fixed link) Tanum (only the inhabited islands without a fixed link) Göteborg (only the inhabited islands without a fixed link) Kungälv (only the inhabited islands without a fixed link) Lysekil (only the inhabited islands without a fixed link) Strömstad (only the inhabited islands without a fixed link)	18 887

EUROPEAN ECONOMIC AREA

EFTA SURVEILLANCE AUTHORITY

EFTA SURVEILLANCE AUTHORITY DECISION

No 200/99/COL

of 15 September 1999

establishing that the exploitation of geographical areas for the purpose of exploring for or extracting oil or gas does not constitute in Norway an activity defined in Article 2(2)(b)(i) of the Act referred to in point 4 of Annex XVI to the EEA Agreement (Council Directive 93/38/EEC) and that entities carrying on such an activity are not to be considered in Norway as operating under special or exclusive rights within the meaning of Article 2(3)(b) of the Act

THE EFTA SURVEILLANCE AUTHORITY,

Having regard to the Agreement of the European Economic Area ⁽¹⁾,

Having regard to the Act referred to in point 4 of Annex XVI to the EEA Agreement (Council Directive 93/38/EEC of 14 June 1993 coordinating the procurement procedures of entities operating in the water, energy, transport and telecommunications sectors, as amended) and in particular Articles 3(4) and (5) and 40(5) to (8) thereof,

Having regard to the Act referred to in point 12 of Annex IV to the EEA Agreement (Council Directive 94/22/EC of the European Parliament and of the Council of 30 May 1994 on the conditions for granting and using authorisations for the prospection, exploration and production of hydrocarbons), and in particular Article 12 thereof,

Whereas, pursuant to Article 3 of the Act referred to in point 4 of Annex XVI to the EEA Agreement (Council Directive 93/38/EEC), an EFTA State may request the EFTA Surveillance Authority to provide that exploitation of geographical areas for the purpose of exploring for or extracting oil, gas, coal or other solid fuels is not to be considered to be an activity defined in Article 2(2)(b)(i) of the Act and that entities are not to be considered as operating under special or exclusive rights within the meaning of Article 2(3)(b) by virtue of carrying on one or more of those activities, provided that a number of precise conditions laid down in its paragraphs 1 and 3 are satisfied with respect to the relevant national provisions concerning such activities and that, pursuant to its paragraph 2, any EFTA State requesting such a decision ensures that entities observe the principles of non-discrimination and competitive procurement in awarding contracts and communicate to the EFTA Surveillance Authority information relating to the award of such contracts;

Whereas EFTA States, which have complied with the provisions of the Act referred to in point 12 of Annex IV to the EEA Agreement (Council Directive 94/22/EC), shall be considered to satisfy the conditions laid down in Article 3(1) of the Act referred to in point 4 of Annex XVI to the EEA Agreement (Council Directive 93/38/EEC);

Whereas, by letters dated 11 July 1996 and 1 July 1999 the Norwegian Government requested the EFTA Surveillance Authority to provide that exploitation of geographical areas for the purpose of exploring for or extracting oil or gas should not be considered in Norway to be an activity defined in Article 2(2)(b)(i) of the Act referred to in point 4 of Annex XVI to the EEA Agreement (Council Directive 93/38/EEC) and the entities carrying on such an activity are not to be considered in Norway as operating under special or exclusive rights within the meaning of Article 2(3)(b) of the Act; whereas that request as amended did not cover the exploitation of geographical areas for the purpose of exploring for or extracting coal or other solid fuels;

⁽¹⁾ Hereinafter referred to as the 'EEA Agreement'.

Whereas, Norway has complied with the Act referred to in point 12 of Annex IV to the EEA Agreement (Council Directive 94/22/EC) by Act No 72 of 29 November 1996 relating to petroleum activities and by the Regulation of 27 June 1997 relating to petroleum activities, which was amended by the Regulation of 17 July 1998;

Whereas, the Norwegian Regulation of 16 December 1994 coordinating the procurement procedures of entities operating in the water, energy, transport and telecommunication sectors (the utilities), as last amended on 18 June 1999, implements the Act referred to in point 4 of Annex XVI to the EEA Agreement (Council Directive 93/38/EEC) into Norwegian law;

Whereas, in accordance with Article 3(2)(b) of that Act, the Regulation, as amended on 18 June 1999, is in compliance with the principles of non-discrimination and competitive procurement by entities carrying out exploration or extraction of oil and gas, in particular as regards the information they make available to enterprises concerning their intentions with respect to the award of contracts, and with the obligation to transmit to the EFTA Surveillance Authority information of the award of such contracts;

Whereas, as the Regulation applies to contract award procedures relating to activities in connection with the exploitation of hydrocarbon licenses, independently of when such licenses were granted, Norway has complied with the conditions pursuant to Article 3(3) of the Act referred to in point 4 of Annex XVI to the EEA Agreement (Council Directive 93/38/EEC);

Whereas, in accordance with Article 40(5) to (8) of the Act referred to in point 4 of Annex XVI to the EEA Agreement (Council Directive 93/38/EEC), the EFTA Public Procurement Committee assisting the EFTA Surveillance Authority (EPPC) has delivered its opinion on this Decision,

HAS ADOPTED THIS DECISION:

1. From 15 September 1999 the exploitation of geographical areas for the purpose of exploring for or extracting oil or gas shall not be considered in Norway as an activity defined in Article 2(2)(b)(i) of the Act referred to, in point 4 of Annex XVI to the EEA Agreement (Council Directive 93/38/EEC of 14 June 1993 coordinating the procurement procedures of entities operating in the water, energy, transport and telecommunications sectors, as amended) and entities carrying on such an activity shall not be considered in Norway as operating under special or exclusive rights within the meaning of Article 2(3)(b) of that Act.
2. 1. This Decision is taken on the basis of the provisions adopted by Norway as of 18 June 1999 implementing the Act referred to in point 12 of Annex IV to the EEA Agreement (Council Directive 94/22/EC of the European Parliament and of the Council of 30 May 1994 on the conditions for granting and using authorisations for the prospection, exploration and production of hydrocarbons) and Articles 3(2) and (3) of the Act referred to in point 4 of Annex XVI to the EEA Agreement (Council Directive 93/38/EEC) and communicated to the EFTA Surveillance Authority.
2. Any laws, regulations or administrative provisions amending the rules mentioned under paragraph 1 shall be communicated to the EFTA Surveillance Authority as soon as they are adopted.
3. The information referred to in paragraph 2 is notified to the EFTA Surveillance Authority in order to enable it to assess if it is appropriate to amend, withdraw or maintain this Decision.
3. This Decision is addressed to the Kingdom of Norway.

Done at Brussels, 15 September 1999.

For the EFTA Surveillance Authority

Hannes HAFSTEIN

College Member
