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(Acts whose publication is obligatory)

**COMMISSION REGULATION (EC) No 868/2000
of 28 April 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 29 April 2000.

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

Done at Brussels, 28 April 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 28 April 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	125,0
	068	103,4
	204	74,1
	999	100,8
0707 00 05	052	89,4
	628	128,8
	999	109,1
0709 90 70	052	77,7
	999	77,7
0805 10 10, 0805 10 30, 0805 10 50	052	68,8
	204	32,5
	212	44,1
	220	30,2
	600	41,5
	624	46,2
	999	43,9
0808 10 20, 0808 10 50, 0808 10 90	388	90,9
	400	105,1
	404	83,4
	508	88,7
	512	93,7
	528	86,4
	720	105,0
	804	99,5
	999	94,1
	388	79,7
0808 20 50	512	78,1
	528	77,0
	720	59,5
	804	142,7
	999	87,4

⁽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 869/2000
of 28 April 2000
fixing 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) Article 10 of Regulation (EEC) No 1766/92 provides that the rates of duty in the Common Customs Tariff are to be charged on import of the products referred to in Article 1 of that Regulation. However, in the case of the products referred to in paragraph 2 of that Article, the import duty is to be equal to the intervention price valid for such products on importation and increased by 55 %, minus the cif import price applicable to the consignment in question. However, that duty may not exceed the rate of duty in the Common Customs Tariff.
- (2) Pursuant to Article 10 (3) of Regulation (EEC) No 1766/92, the cif import prices are calculated on the basis of the representative prices for the product in question on the world market.

- (3) Regulation (EC) No 1249/96 lays down detailed rules for the application of Council Regulation (EEC) No 1766/92 as regards import duties in the cereals sector.
- (4) The import duties are applicable until new duties are fixed and enter into force. They also remain in force in cases where no quotation is available for the reference exchange referred to in Annex II to Regulation (EC) No 1249/96 during the two weeks preceding the next periodical fixing.
- (5) In order to allow the import duty system to function normally, the representative market rates recorded during a reference period should be used for calculating the duties.
- (6) Application of Regulation (EC) No 1249/96 results in import duties being fixed as set out in the Annex to this Regulation,

HAS ADOPTED THIS REGULATION:

Article 1

The import duties in the cereals sector referred to in Article 10 (2) of Regulation (EEC) No 1766/92 shall be those fixed in Annex I to this Regulation on the basis of the information given in Annex II.

Article 2

This Regulation shall enter into force on 1 May 2000.

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

Done at Brussels, 28 April 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.

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	12,98	2,98
	medium quality ⁽¹⁾	22,98	12,98
1001 90 91	Common wheat seed	23,49	13,49
1001 90 99	Common high quality wheat other than for sowing ⁽³⁾	23,49	13,49
	medium quality	68,57	58,57
	low quality	83,83	73,83
1002 00 00	Rye	71,88	61,88
1003 00 10	Barley, seed	71,88	61,88
1003 00 90	Barley, other ⁽³⁾	71,88	61,88
1005 10 90	Maize seed other than hybrid	85,73	75,73
1005 90 00	Maize other than seed ⁽³⁾	85,73	75,73
1007 00 90	Grain sorghum other than hybrids for sowing	71,88	61,88

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

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

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

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

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

ANNEX II

Factors for calculating duties

(period from 14 April 2000 to 27 April 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)	124,69	108,79	98,20	95,12	165,70 (**)	155,70 (**)	106,80 (**)
Gulf premium (EUR/t)	—	10,12	5,45	6,63	—	—	—
Great Lakes premium (EUR/t)	30,50	—	—	—	—	—	—

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

(**) Fob Great Lakes.

2. Freight/cost: Gulf of Mexico — Rotterdam: 18,11 EUR/t; Great Lakes — Rotterdam: 26,91 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 870/2000
of 28 April 2000
fixing the refunds applicable to cereal and rice sector products supplied as Community and national food aid

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 the third subparagraph of Article 13(2) 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 2 of Council Regulation (EEC) No 2681/74 of 21 October 1974 on Community financing of expenditure incurred in respect of the supply of agricultural products as food aid ⁽⁵⁾ lays down that the portion of the expenditure corresponding to the export refunds on the products in question fixed under Community rules is to be charged to the European Agricultural Guidance and Guarantee Fund, Guarantee Section.
- (2) In order to make it easier to draw up and manage the budget for Community food aid actions and to enable the Member States to know the extent of Community participation in the financing of national food aid

actions, the level of the refunds granted for these actions should be determined.

- (3) The general and implementing rules provided for in Article 13 of Regulation (EEC) No 1766/92 and in Article 13 of Regulation (EC) No 3072/95 on export refunds are applicable *mutatis mutandis* to the abovementioned operations.
- (4) The specific criteria to be used for calculating the export refund on rice are set out in Article 13 of Regulation (EC) No 3072/95.
- (5) The measures provided for this Regulation are in accordance with the opinion of the Management Committee for Cereals,

HAS ADOPTED THIS REGULATION:

Article 1

For Community and national food aid operations under international agreements or other supplementary programmes, and other Community free supply measures, the refunds applicable to cereals and rice sector products shall be as set out in the Annex.

Article 2

This Regulation shall enter into force on 1 May 2000.

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

Done at Brussels, 28 April 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 329, 30.12.1995, p. 18.

⁽⁴⁾ OJ L 265, 30.9.1998, p. 4.

⁽⁵⁾ OJ L 288, 25.10.1974, p. 1.

ANNEX

to the Commission Regulation of 28 April 2000 fixing the refunds applicable to cereal and rice sector products supplied as Community and national food aid

(EUR/t)

Product code	Refund
1001 10 00 9400	0,00
1001 90 99 9000	28,00
1002 00 00 9000	65,00
1003 00 90 9000	21,00
1004 00 00 9400	50,00
1005 90 00 9000	35,00
1006 30 92 9100	159,00
1006 30 92 9900	159,00
1006 30 94 9100	159,00
1006 30 94 9900	159,00
1006 30 96 9100	159,00
1006 30 96 9900	159,00
1006 30 98 9100	159,00
1006 30 98 9900	159,00
1006 30 65 9900	159,00
1006 40 00 9000	—
1007 00 90 9000	35,00
1101 00 15 9100	38,00
1101 00 15 9130	38,00
1102 20 10 9200	54,04
1102 20 10 9400	46,32
1102 30 00 9000	—
1102 90 10 9100	30,92
1103 11 10 9200	0,00
1103 11 90 9200	0,00
1103 13 10 9100	69,48
1103 14 00 9000	—
1104 12 90 9100	70,22
1104 21 50 9100	41,22

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

COMMISSION REGULATION (EC) No 871/2000
of 28 April 2000
amending Regulation (EEC) No 391/92 setting the amounts of aid for the supply of cereals products
from the Community to the French overseas departments

THE COMMISSION OF THE EUROPEAN COMMUNITIES,

Having regard to the Treaty establishing the European Community,

Having regard to Council Regulation (EEC) No 3763/91 of 16 December 1991 introducing specific measures in respect of certain agricultural products for the benefit of the French overseas departments ⁽¹⁾, as last amended by Regulation (EC) No 1257/1999 ⁽²⁾, and in particular Article 2(6) thereof,

Whereas:

- (1) The amounts of aid for the supply of cereals products to the French overseas departments (FOD) has been settled by Commission Regulation (EEC) No 391/92 ⁽³⁾, as last amended by Regulation (EC) No 674/2000 ⁽⁴⁾; as a consequence of the changes of the rates and prices for cereals products in the European part of the Community

and on the world market, the aid for supply to the FOD should be set at the amounts given in the Annex.

- (2) 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 Annex of amended Regulation (EEC) No 391/92 is replaced by the Annex to the present Regulation.

Article 2

This Regulation shall enter into force on 1 May 2000.

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

Done at Brussels, 28 April 2000.

For the Commission

Franz FISCHLER

Member of the Commission

⁽¹⁾ OJ L 356, 24.12.1991, p. 1.

⁽²⁾ OJ L 160, 26.6.1999, p. 80.

⁽³⁾ OJ L 43, 19.2.1992, p. 23.

⁽⁴⁾ OJ L 81, 1.4.2000, p. 11.

ANNEX

to the Commission Regulation of 28 April 2000 amending Regulation (EEC) No 391/92 setting the amounts of aid for the supply of cereals products from the Community to the French overseas departments

(EUR/t)

Product (CN code)	Amount of aid			
	Destination			
	Guadeloupe	Martinique	French Guiana	Réunion
Common wheat (1001 90 99)	34,00	34,00	34,00	37,00
Barley (1003 00 90)	27,00	27,00	27,00	30,00
Maize (1005 90 00)	41,00	41,00	41,00	44,00
Durum wheat (1001 10 00)	12,00	12,00	12,00	12,00
Oats (1004 00 00)	56,00	56,00	—	—

COMMISSION REGULATION (EC) No 872/2000
of 28 April 2000
amending Regulation (EEC) No 1832/92 setting the amounts of aid for the supply of cereals
products from the Community to the Canary Islands

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 introducing specific measures in respect of certain agricultural products for the benefit of the Canary Islands ⁽¹⁾, as last amended by Regulation (EC) No 1257/1999 ⁽²⁾, and in particular Article 3(4) thereof,

Whereas:

- (1) The amounts of aid for the supply of cereals products to the Canary Islands has been settled by Commission Regulation (EEC) No 1832/92 ⁽³⁾, as last amended by Regulation (EC) No 675/2000 ⁽⁴⁾; as a consequence of the changes of the rates and prices for cereals products in the European part of the Community and on the

world market, the aid for supply to the Canary Islands should be set at the amounts given in the Annex.

- (2) 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 Annex of amended Regulation (EEC) No 1832/92 is replaced by the Annex to the present Regulation.

Article 2

This Regulation shall enter into force on 1 May 2000.

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

Done at Brussels, 28 April 2000.

For the Commission

Franz FISCHLER

Member of the Commission

⁽¹⁾ OJ L 173, 27.6.1992, p. 13.

⁽²⁾ OJ L 160, 26.6.1999, p. 80.

⁽³⁾ OJ L 185, 4.7.1992, p. 26.

⁽⁴⁾ OJ L 81, 1.4.2000, p. 13.

ANNEX

to the Commission Regulation of 28 April 2000 amending Regulation (EEC) No 1832/92 setting the amounts of aid for the supply of cereals products from the Community to the Canary Islands

		(EUR/t)
Product (CN code)		Amount of aid
Common wheat	(1001 90 99)	31,00
Barley	(1003 00 90)	24,00
Maize	(1005 90 00)	38,00
Durum wheat	(1001 10 00)	8,00
Oats	(1004 00 00)	53,00

COMMISSION REGULATION (EC) No 873/2000
of 28 April 2000
amending Regulation (EEC) No 1833/92 setting the amounts of aid for the supply of cereals
products from the Community to the Azores and Madeira

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 introducing specific measures in respect of certain agricultural products for the benefit of the Azores and Madeira ⁽¹⁾, as last amended by Regulation (EC) No 1257/1999 ⁽²⁾, and in particular Article 10 thereof,

Whereas:

- (1) The amounts of aid for the supply of cereals products to the Azores and Madeira has been settled by Commission Regulation (EEC) No 1833/92 ⁽³⁾, as last amended by Regulation (EC) No 676/2000 ⁽⁴⁾; whereas, as a consequence of the changes of the rates and prices for cereals products in the European part of the Community and on the world market, the aid for supply to the Azores and

Madeira should be set at the amounts given in the Annex.

- (2) 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 Annex of amended Regulation (EEC) No 1833/92 is replaced by the Annex to the present Regulation.

Article 2

This Regulation shall enter into force on 1 May 2000.

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

Done at Brussels, 28 April 2000.

For the Commission

Franz FISCHLER

Member of the Commission

⁽¹⁾ OJ L 173, 27.6.1992, p. 1.

⁽²⁾ OJ L 160, 26.6.1999, p. 80.

⁽³⁾ OJ L 185, 4.7.1992, p. 28.

⁽⁴⁾ OJ L 81, 1.4.2000, p. 15.

ANNEX

to the Commission Regulation of 28 April 2000 amending Regulation (EEC) No 1833/92 setting the amounts of aid for the supply of cereals products from the Community to the Azores and Madeira

		(EUR/t)	
Product (CN code)		Amount of aid	
		Destination	
		Azores	Madeira
Common wheat	(1001 90 99)	31,00	31,00
Barley	(1003 00 90)	24,00	24,00
Maize	(1005 90 00)	38,00	38,00
Durum wheat	(1001 10 00)	8,00	8,00

COMMISSION REGULATION (EC) No 874/2000
of 28 April 2000
altering the export refunds on white sugar and raw sugar exported in the natural state

THE COMMISSION OF THE EUROPEAN COMMUNITIES,

Having regard to the Treaty establishing the European Community,

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

Whereas:

- (1) The refunds on white sugar and raw sugar exported in the natural state were fixed by Commission Regulation (EC) No 834/2000 ⁽²⁾.
- (2) It follows from applying the detailed rules contained in Regulation (EC) No 834/2000 to the information known to the Commission that the export refunds at present in

force should be altered to the amounts set out in the Annex hereto,

HAS ADOPTED THIS REGULATION:

Article 1

The export refunds on the products listed in Article 1(1)(a) of Regulation (EC) No 2038/1999, undenatured and exported in the natural state, as fixed in the Annex to Regulation (EC) No 834/2000 are hereby altered to the amounts shown in the Annex hereto.

Article 2

This Regulation shall enter into force on 1 May 2000.

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

Done at Brussels, 28 April 2000.

For the Commission

Franz FISCHLER

Member of the Commission

⁽¹⁾ OJ L 252, 25.9.1999, p. 1.

⁽²⁾ OJ L 102, 27.4.2000, p. 6.

ANNEX

to the Commission Regulation of 28 April 2000 altering the export refunds on white sugar and raw sugar exported in its unaltered state

Product code	Amount of refund
	— EUR/100 kg —
1701 11 90 9100	40,15 ⁽¹⁾
1701 11 90 9910	40,03 ⁽¹⁾
1701 11 90 9950	⁽²⁾
1701 12 90 9100	40,15 ⁽¹⁾
1701 12 90 9910	40,03 ⁽¹⁾
1701 12 90 9950	⁽²⁾
	— EUR/1 % of sucrose × 100 kg —
1701 91 00 9000	0,4365
	— EUR/100 kg —
1701 99 10 9100	43,65
1701 99 10 9910	45,71
1701 99 10 9950	43,65
	— EUR/1 % of sucrose × 100 kg —
1701 99 90 9100	0,4365

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

⁽²⁾ Fixing suspended by Commission Regulation (EEC) No 2689/85 (OJ L 255, 26. 9. 1985, p. 12), as amended by Regulation (EEC) No 3251/85 (OJ L 309, 21. 11. 1985, p. 14).

**COMMISSION REGULATION (EC) No 875/2000
of 28 April 2000**

fixing the export refunds on syrups and certain other sugar products exported in the natural state

THE COMMISSION OF THE EUROPEAN COMMUNITIES,

Having regard to the Treaty establishing the European Community,

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

Whereas:

(1) Article 18 of Regulation (EC) No 2038/1999 provides that the difference between quotations or prices on the world market for the products listed in Article 1(1)(d) of that Regulation and prices for those products within the Community may be covered by an export refund.

(2) Article 3 of Commission Regulation (EC) No 2135/95 of 7 September 1995 laying down detailed rules of application for the grant of export refunds in the sugar sector⁽²⁾, provides that the export refund on 100 kilograms of the products listed in Article 1 (1) (d) of Regulation (EC) No 2038/1999 is equal to the basic amount multiplied by the sucrose content, including, where appropriate, other sugars expressed as sucrose; the sucrose content of the product in question is determined in accordance with Article 3 of Commission Regulation (EC) No 2135/95.

(3) Article 21(3) of Regulation (EC) No 2038/1999 provides that the basic amount of the refund on sorbose exported in the natural state must be equal to the basic amount of the refund less one-hundredth of the production refund applicable, pursuant to Council Regulation (EEC) No 1010/86 of 25 March 1986 laying down general rules for the production refund on sugar used in the chemical industry⁽³⁾, as last amended by Commission Regulation (EC) No 1148/98⁽⁴⁾, to the products listed in the Annex to the last mentioned Regulation;

(4) According to the terms of Article 21(1) of Regulation (EC) No 2038/1999, the basic amount of the refund on the other products listed in Article 1(1)(d) of the said

Regulation exported in the natural state must be equal to one-hundredth of an amount which takes account, on the one hand, of the difference between the intervention price for white sugar for the Community areas without deficit for the month for which the basic amount is fixed and quotations or prices for white sugar on the world market and, on the other, of the need to establish a balance between the use of Community basic products in the manufacture of processed goods for export to third countries and the use of third country products brought in under inward processing arrangements.

(5) According to the terms of Article 21(4) of Regulation (EC) No 2038/1999, the application of the basic amount may be limited to some of the products listed in Article 1(1)(d) of the said Regulation.

(6) Article 18 of Regulation (EC) No 2038/1999 makes provision for setting refunds for export in the natural state of products referred to in Article 1(1)(f) and (g) and (h) of that Regulation; the refund must be fixed per 100 kilograms of dry matter, taking account of the export refund for products falling within CN code 1702 30 91 and for products referred to in Article 1(1)(d) of Regulation (EC) No 2038/1999 and of the economic aspects of the intended exports; in the case of the products referred to in the said Article 1(1)(f) and (g), the refund is to be granted only for products complying with the conditions in Article 5 of Regulation (EC) No 2135/95; for the products referred to in Article 1(1)(h), the refund shall be granted only for products complying with the conditions in Article 6 of Regulation (EC) No 2135/95.

(7) The refunds referred to above must be fixed every month; they may be altered in the intervening period.

(8) Application of these quotas results in fixing refunds for the products in question at the levels given in the Annex to this Regulation.

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

⁽¹⁾ OJ L 252, 25.9.1999, p. 1.

⁽²⁾ OJ L 214, 8.9.1995, p. 16.

⁽³⁾ OJ L 94, 9.4.1986, p. 9.

⁽⁴⁾ OJ L 159, 3.6.1998, p. 38.

HAS ADOPTED THIS REGULATION:

Article 1

The export refunds on the products listed in Article 1(1)(d)(f)(g) and (h) of Regulation (EC) No 2038/1999, exported in the natural state, shall be set out in the Annex hereto.

Article 2

This Regulation shall enter into force on 1 May 2000.

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

Done at Brussels, 28 April 2000.

For the Commission

Franz FISCHLER

Member of the Commission

ANNEX

to the Commission Regulation of 28 April 2000 fixing the export refunds on syrups and certain other sugar products exported in the natural state

Product code	Amount of refund
	— EUR/100 kg dry matter —
1702 40 10 9100	43,65 ⁽²⁾
1702 60 10 9000	43,65 ⁽²⁾
1702 60 80 9100	82,94 ⁽⁴⁾
	— EUR/1 % sucrose × 100 kg —
1702 60 95 9000	0,4365 ⁽¹⁾
	— EUR/100 kg dry matter —
1702 90 30 9000	43,65 ⁽²⁾
	— EUR/1 % sucrose × 100 kg —
1702 90 60 9000	0,4365 ⁽¹⁾
1702 90 71 9000	0,4365 ⁽¹⁾
1702 90 99 9900	0,4365 ⁽¹⁾ ⁽³⁾
	— EUR/100 kg dry matter —
2106 90 30 9000	43,65 ⁽²⁾
	— EUR/1 % sucrose × 100 kg —
2106 90 59 9000	0,4365 ⁽¹⁾

⁽¹⁾ The basic amount is not applicable to syrups which are less than 85 % pure (Regulation (EC) No 2135/95). Sucrose content is determined in accordance with Article 3 of Regulation (EC) No 2135/95.

⁽²⁾ Applicable only to products referred to in Article 5 of Regulation (EC) No 2135/95.

⁽³⁾ The basic amount is not applicable to the product defined under point 2 of the Annex to Regulation (EEC) No 3513/92 (OJ L 355, 5.12.1992, p. 12).

⁽⁴⁾ Applicable only to products defined under Article 6 of Regulation (EC) No 2135/95.

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

COMMISSION REGULATION (EC) No 876/2000**of 28 April 2000****setting the amounts of aid for the supply of rice products from the Community to the Canary Islands**

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 introducing specific measures in respect of certain agricultural products for the benefit of the Canary Islands ⁽¹⁾, as last amended by Regulation (EC) No 1257/1999 ⁽²⁾, and in particular Article 3 thereof,

Whereas:

- (1) Pursuant to Article 3 of Regulation (EEC) No 1601/92, the requirements of the Canary Islands for rice are to be covered in terms of quantity, price and quality by the mobilisation, on disposal terms equivalent to exemption from the levy, of Community rice, which involves the grant of an aid for supplies of Community origin. This aid is to be fixed with particular reference to the costs of the various sources of supply and in particular is to be based on the prices applied to exports to third countries.
- (2) Commission Regulation (EC) No 2790/94 ⁽³⁾, as last amended by Regulation (EC) No 1620/1999 ⁽⁴⁾, lays down common detailed rules for implementation of the

specific arrangements for the supply of certain agricultural products, including rice, to the Canary Islands.

- (3) As a result of the application of these detailed rules to the current market situation in the rice sector, and in particular to the rates of prices for these products in the European part of the Community and on the world market, the aid for supply to the Canary Islands should be set at the amounts given in the Annex.
- (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

Pursuant to Article 3 of Regulation (EEC) No 1601/92, the amount of aid for the supply of rice of Community origin under the specific arrangements for the supply of the Canary Islands shall be as set out in the Annex hereto.

Article 2

This Regulation shall enter into force on 1 May 2000.

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

Done at Brussels, 28 April 2000.

For the Commission

Franz FISCHLER

Member of the Commission

⁽¹⁾ OJ L 173, 27.6.1992, p. 13.

⁽²⁾ OJ L 160, 26.6.1999, p. 80.

⁽³⁾ OJ L 296, 17.11.1994, p. 23.

⁽⁴⁾ OJ L 192, 24.7.1999, p. 19.

ANNEX

to the Commission Regulation of 28 April 2000 setting the amounts of aid for the supply of rice products from the Community to the Canary Islands

(EUR/t)

Product (CN code)	Amount of aid
Milled rice (1006 30)	156,00
Broken rice (1006 40)	34,00

COMMISSION REGULATION (EC) No 877/2000**of 28 April 2000****setting the amounts of aid for the supply of rice products from the Community to the Azores and Madeira**

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 introducing specific measures in respect of certain agricultural products for the benefit of the Azores and Madeira ⁽¹⁾, as last amended by Regulation (EC) No 1257/1999 ⁽²⁾, and in particular Article 10 thereof,

Whereas:

- (1) Pursuant to Article 10 of Regulation (EEC) No 1600/92, the requirements of the Azores and Madeira for rice are to be covered in terms of quantity, price and quality by the mobilization, on disposal terms equivalent to exemption from the levy, of Community rice, which involves the grant of an aid for supplies of Community origin. This aid is to be fixed with particular reference to the costs of the various sources of supply and in particular is to be based on the prices applied to exports to third countries.
- (2) Commission Regulation (EEC) No 1696/92 ⁽³⁾, as last amended by Regulation (EEC) No 2596/93 ⁽⁴⁾, lays down common detailed rules for implementation of the specific arrangements for the supply of certain agricultural products, including rice, to the Azores and Madeira. Commission Regulation (EEC) No 1983/92 of 16 July 1992 laying down detailed rules for implementation of the specific arrangements for the supply of rice

products to the Azores and Madeira and establishing the forecast supply balance for these products ⁽⁵⁾, as last amended by Regulation (EC) No 1683/94 ⁽⁶⁾, lays down detailed rules which complement or derogate from the provisions of the aforementioned Regulation.

- (3) As a result of the application of these detailed rules to the current market situation in the rice sector, and in particular to the rates of prices for these products in the European part of the Community and on the world market the aid for supply to the Azores and Madeira should be set at the amounts given in the Annex.
- (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

Pursuant to Article 10 of Regulation (EEC) No 1600/92, the amount of aid for the supply of rice of Community origin under the specific arrangements for the supply of the Azores and Madeira shall be as set out in the Annex hereto.

Article 2

This Regulation shall enter into force on 1 May 2000.

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

Done at Brussels, 28 April 2000.

For the Commission

Franz FISCHLER

Member of the Commission

⁽¹⁾ OJ L 173, 27.6.1992, p. 1.

⁽²⁾ OJ L 160, 26.6.1999, p. 80.

⁽³⁾ OJ L 179, 1.7.1992, p. 6.

⁽⁴⁾ OJ L 238, 23.9.1993, p. 24.

⁽⁵⁾ OJ L 198, 17.7.1992, p. 37.

⁽⁶⁾ OJ L 178, 12.7.1994, p. 53.

ANNEX

to the Commission Regulation of 28 April 2000 setting the amounts of aid for the supply of rice products from the Community to the Azores and Madeira

(EUR/t)

Product (CN code)	Amount of aid	
	Destination	
	Azores	Madeira
Milled rice (1006 30)	156,00	156,00

COMMISSION REGULATION (EC) No 878/2000
of 28 April 2000
fixing the import duties in the rice sector

THE COMMISSION OF THE EUROPEAN COMMUNITIES,

Having regard to the Treaty establishing the European Community,

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

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

Whereas:

- (1) Article 11 of Regulation (EC) No 3072/95 provides that the rates of duty in the Common Customs Tariff are to be charged on import of the products referred to in Article 1 of that Regulation; whereas, however, in the case of the products referred to in paragraph 2 of that Article, the import duty is to be equal to the intervention price valid for such products on importation and increased by a certain percentage according to whether it is husked or milled rice, minus the cif import price provided that duty does not exceed the rate of the Common Customs Tariff duties.
- (2) Pursuant to Article 12(3) of Regulation (EC) No 3072/95, the cif import prices are calculated on the basis of the representative prices for the product in question on the world market or on the Community import market for the product.

- (3) Regulation (EC) No 1503/96 lays down detailed rules for the application of Regulation (EC) No 3072/95 as regards import duties in the rice sector.
- (4) The import duties are applicable until new duties are fixed and enter into force; whereas they also remain in force in cases where no quotation is available from the source referred to in Article 5 of Regulation (EC) No 1503/96 during the two weeks preceding the next periodical fixing.
- (5) In order to allow the import duty system to function normally, the market rates recorded during a reference period should be used for calculating the duties.
- (6) Application of Regulation (EC) No 1503/96 results in import duties being fixed as set out in the Annexes to this Regulation,

HAS ADOPTED THIS REGULATION:

Article 1

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

Article 2

This Regulation shall enter into force on 1 May 2000.

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

Done at Brussels, 28 April 2000.

For the Commission

Franz FISCHLER

Member of the Commission

⁽¹⁾ OJ L 329, 30.12.1995, p. 18.

⁽²⁾ OJ L 265, 30.9.1998, p. 4.

⁽³⁾ OJ L 189, 30.7.1996, p. 71.

⁽⁴⁾ OJ L 351, 29.12.1998, p. 25.

ANNEX I

Import duties on rice and broken rice

(EUR/t)

CN code	Duties ⁽¹⁾				
	Third countries (except ACP and Bangladesh) ⁽²⁾	ACP ⁽¹⁾ ⁽²⁾ ⁽³⁾	Bangladesh ⁽⁴⁾	Basmati India and Pakistan ⁽⁵⁾	Egypt ⁽⁶⁾
1006 10 21	(7)	76,44	111,06		173,10
1006 10 23	(7)	76,44	111,06		173,10
1006 10 25	(7)	76,44	111,06		173,10
1006 10 27	(7)	76,44	111,06		173,10
1006 10 92	(7)	76,44	111,06		173,10
1006 10 94	(7)	76,44	111,06		173,10
1006 10 96	(7)	76,44	111,06		173,10
1006 10 98	(7)	76,44	111,06		173,10
1006 20 11	126,43	39,91	58,88		94,82
1006 20 13	126,43	39,91	58,88		94,82
1006 20 15	126,43	39,91	58,88		94,82
1006 20 17	203,91	67,03	97,62	0,00	152,93
1006 20 92	126,43	39,91	58,88		94,82
1006 20 94	126,43	39,91	58,88		94,82
1006 20 96	126,43	39,91	58,88		94,82
1006 20 98	203,91	67,03	97,62	0,00	152,93
1006 30 21	(7)	146,86	212,59		341,25
1006 30 23	(7)	146,86	212,59		341,25
1006 30 25	(7)	146,86	212,59		341,25
1006 30 27	(7)	146,86	212,59		341,25
1006 30 42	(7)	146,86	212,59		341,25
1006 30 44	(7)	146,86	212,59		341,25
1006 30 46	(7)	146,86	212,59		341,25
1006 30 48	(7)	146,86	212,59		341,25
1006 30 61	(7)	146,86	212,59		341,25
1006 30 63	(7)	146,86	212,59		341,25
1006 30 65	(7)	146,86	212,59		341,25
1006 30 67	(7)	146,86	212,59		341,25
1006 30 92	(7)	146,86	212,59		341,25
1006 30 94	(7)	146,86	212,59		341,25
1006 30 96	(7)	146,86	212,59		341,25
1006 30 98	(7)	146,86	212,59		341,25
1006 40 00	(7)	45,38	(7)		105,00

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

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

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

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

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

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

⁽⁷⁾ Duties fixed in the Common Customs Tariff.

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

ANNEX II

Calculation of import duties for rice

	Paddy	Indica rice		Japonica rice		Broken rice
		Husked	Milled	Husked	Milled	
1. Import duty (EUR/tonne)	(¹)	203,91	455,00	126,43	455,00	(¹)
2. Elements of calculation:						
(a) Arag cif price (EUR/tonne)	—	340,32	302,37	441,99	339,51	—
(b) fob price (EUR/tonne)	—	—	—	409,25	306,77	—
(c) Sea freight (EUR/tonne)	—	—	—	32,74	32,74	—
(d) Source	—	USDA	USDA	Operators	Operators	—

(¹) Duties fixed in the Common Customs Tariff.

**COMMISSION REGULATION (EC) No 879/2000
of 28 April 2000**

fixing the minimum selling price for skimmed-milk powder for the eighth individual invitation to tender issued under the standing invitation to tender referred to in Regulation (EC) No 2799/1999

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 10 thereof,

Whereas:

- (1) Pursuant to Article 26 of Commission Regulation (EC) No 2799/1999 of 17 December 1999 laying down detailed rules for applying Council Regulation (EC) No 1255/1999 as regards the grant of aid for skimmed milk and skimmed-milk powder intended for animal feed and the sale of such skimmed-milk powder ⁽²⁾, as last amended by Regulation (EC) No 779/2000 ⁽³⁾, intervention agencies have put up for sale by standing invitation to tender certain quantities of skimmed-milk powder held by them.
- (2) According to Article 30 of the said Regulation, in the light of the tenders received in response to each individual invitation to tender a minimum selling price shall be fixed or a decision shall be taken to make no award; whereas the amount of the processing security shall also be fixed taking account of the difference between the market price of skimmed-milk powder and the minimum selling price.

- (3) In the light of the tenders received, the minimum selling price should be fixed at the level specified below and the processing security determined accordingly.
- (4) 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

For the eighth individual invitation to tender pursuant to Regulation (EC) No 2799/1999, in respect of which the time limit for the submission of tenders expired on 25 April 2000, the minimum selling price and the processing security are fixed as follows:

- minimum selling price:
- | | |
|----------------------|--------------------|
| Germany: | EUR 207,52/100 kg, |
| other Member States: | EUR 203,52/100 kg, |
- processing security: EUR 40,00/100 kg.

Article 2

This Regulation shall enter into force on 29 April 2000.

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

Done at Brussels, 28 April 2000.

For the Commission

Franz FISCHLER

Member of the Commission

⁽¹⁾ OJ L 160, 26.6.1999, p. 48.

⁽²⁾ OJ L 340, 31.12.1999, p. 3.

⁽³⁾ OJ L 95, 15.4.2000, p. 12.

COMMISSION REGULATION (EC) No 880/2000**of 28 April 2000****fixing the maximum purchasing price for butter for the eighth invitation to tender carried out under the standing invitation to tender governed by Regulation (EC) No 2771/1999**

THE COMMISSION OF THE EUROPEAN COMMUNITIES,

Having regard to the Treaty establishing the European Community,

Having regard to Council Regulation (EEC) No 1255/1999 of 17 May 1999 on the common organisation of the market in milk and milk products ⁽¹⁾, and in particular Article 10 thereof,

Whereas:

- (1) Article 13 of Commission Regulation (EEC) No 2771/1999 of 16 December 1999 laying down detailed rules for the application of Council Regulation (EC) No 1255/1999 as regards intervention on the market in butter and cream ⁽²⁾, provides that, in the light of the tenders received for each invitation to tender, a maximum buying-in price is to be fixed in relation to the intervention price applicable and that it may also be decided not to proceed with the invitation to tender.

- (2) As a result of the tenders received, the maximum buying-in price should be fixed as set out below.
- (3) 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

For the eighth invitation to tender issued under Regulation (EC) No 2771/1999, for which tenders had to be submitted not later than 25 April 2000, the maximum buying-in price is fixed at 295,38 EUR/100 kg.

Article 2

This Regulation shall enter into force on 29 April 2000.

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

Done at Brussels, 28 April 2000.

For the Commission

Franz FISCHLER

Member of the Commission

⁽¹⁾ OJ L 160, 26.6.1999, p. 48.

⁽²⁾ OJ L 333, 24.12.1999, p. 11.

**COMMISSION REGULATION (EC) No 881/2000
of 28 April 2000**

fixing the minimum selling prices for butter and the maximum aid for cream, butter and concentrated butter for the 52nd individual invitation to tender under the standing invitation to tender provided for in Regulation (EC) No 2571/97

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 10 thereof,

Whereas:

- (1) The intervention agencies are, pursuant to 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 ⁽²⁾, as last amended by Regulation (EC) No 635/2000 ⁽³⁾, to sell by invitation to tender certain quantities of butter that they hold and to grant aid for cream, butter and concentrated butter. Article 18 of that Regulation stipulates that in the light of the tenders received in response to each individual invitation to tender a minimum selling price shall be fixed for butter and maximum aid shall be fixed for cream, butter and concentrated butter. It is further stipulated that the price

or aid may vary according to the intended use of the butter, its fat content and the incorporation procedure, and that a decision may also be taken to make no award in response to the tenders submitted. The amount(s) of the processing securities must be fixed accordingly.

- (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

The maximum aid and processing securities applying for the 52nd individual invitation to tender, under the standing invitation to tender provided for in Regulation (EC) No 2571/97, shall be fixed as indicated in the Annex hereto.

Article 2

This Regulation shall enter into force on 29 April 2000.

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

Done at Brussels, 28 April 2000.

For the Commission

Franz FISCHLER

Member of the Commission

⁽¹⁾ OJ L 160, 26.6.1999, p. 48.

⁽²⁾ OJ L 350, 20.12.1997, p. 3.

⁽³⁾ OJ L 76, 25.3.2000, p. 9.

ANNEX

to the Commission Regulation of 28 April 2000 fixing the minimum selling prices for butter and the maximum aid for cream, butter and concentrated butter for the 52nd individual invitation to tender under the standing invitation to tender provided for in Regulation (EC) No 2571/97

(EUR/100 kg)

Formula			A		B	
Incorporation procedure			With tracers	Without tracers	With tracers	Without tracers
Minimum selling price	Butter ≥ 82 %	Unaltered	—	—	—	—
		Concentrated	—	—	—	—
Processing security		Unaltered	—	—	—	—
		Concentrated	—	—	—	—
Maximum aid	Butter ≥ 82 %		95	91	—	91
	Butter < 82 %		92	88	—	—
	Concentrated butter		117	113	117	113
	Cream		—	—	40	38
Processing security	Butter		105	—	—	—
	Concentrated butter		129	—	129	—
	Cream		—	—	44	—

COMMISSION REGULATION (EC) No 882/2000**of 28 April 2000****fixing the maximum aid for concentrated butter for the 224th special invitation to tender opened under the standing invitation to tender provided for in Regulation (EEC) No 429/90**

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 10 thereof,

Whereas:

- (1) In accordance with Commission Regulation (EEC) No 429/90 of 20 February 1990 on the granting by invitation to tender of an aid for concentrated butter intended for direct consumption in the Community ⁽²⁾, as last amended by Regulation (EC) No 124/1999 ⁽³⁾, the intervention agencies are opening a standing invitation to tender for the granting of aid for concentrated butter; Article 6 of that Regulation provides that in the light of the tenders received in response to each special invitation to tender, a maximum amount of aid is to be fixed for concentrated butter with a minimum fat content of 96 % or a decision is to be taken to make no award; whereas the end-use security must be fixed accordingly.

- (2) In the light of the tenders received, the maximum aid should be fixed at the level specified below and the end-use security determined accordingly.

- (3) 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

For the 224th special invitation to tender under the standing invitation to tender opened by Regulation (EEC) No 429/90, the maximum aid and the amount of the end-use security shall be as follows:

- | | |
|---------------------|-----------------|
| — maximum aid: | 117 EUR/100 kg |
| — end-use security: | 129 EUR/100 kg. |

Article 2

This Regulation shall enter into force on 29 April 2000.

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

Done at Brussels, 28 April 2000.

For the Commission

Franz FISCHLER

Member of the Commission

⁽¹⁾ OJ L 160, 26.6.1999, p. 48.

⁽²⁾ OJ L 45, 21.2.1990, p. 8.

⁽³⁾ OJ L 16, 21.1.1999, p. 19.

COMMISSION REGULATION (EC) No 883/2000
of 28 April 2000
on the supply of cereals as food aid

THE COMMISSION OF THE EUROPEAN COMMUNITIES,

Having regard to the Treaty establishing the European Community,

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

Whereas:

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

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

HAS ADOPTED THIS REGULATION:

Article 1

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

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

Article 2

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

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

Done at Brussels, 28 April 2000.

For the Commission

Franz FISCHLER

Member of the Commission

⁽¹⁾ OJ L 166, 5.7.1996, p. 1.

⁽²⁾ OJ L 346, 17.12.1997, p. 23.

ANNEX

LOT A

1. **Action No:** 807/97
2. **Beneficiary** ⁽²⁾: Ethiopia
3. **Beneficiary's representative:** Food Security Unit of the European Communities, Addis Ababa, PO Box 5570; tel. (251-1) 61 09 12; fax 61 26 55
4. **Country of destination:** Ethiopia
5. **Product to be mobilised:** common wheat
6. **Total quantity (tonnes net):** 15 000
7. **Number of lots:** 1
8. **Characteristics and quality of the product** ⁽³⁾ ⁽⁵⁾: see OJ C 114, 29.4.1991, p. 1 (II.A(1)(a))
9. **Packaging** ⁽⁷⁾: see OJ C 267, 13.9.1996, p. 1 (1.0, A(1.c and 2.c) and B(3))
10. **Labelling or marking** ⁽⁶⁾: see OJ C 114, 29.4.1991, p. 1 (II.A(3))
 - language to be used for the markings: English
 - supplementary markings: —
11. **Method of mobilisation of the product:** the Community market
12. **Specified delivery stage:** free at destination ⁽⁹⁾
13. **Alternative delivery stage:** free at port of shipment — fob stowed
14. a) **Port of shipment:** —
b) **Loading address:** —
15. **Port of landing:** Berbera
16. **Place of destination:** EFSR warehouse in Dire Dawa, Shinille, Ethiopia. Contact: Ato Sirak Hallu, tel. (251-1) 51 71 62, fax 51 83 63
 - port or warehouse of transit: —
 - overland transport route: —
17. **Period or deadline of supply at the specified stage:**
 - first deadline: 13.8.2000
 - second deadline: 27.8.2000
18. **Period or deadline of supply at the alternative stage:**
 - first deadline: 5-18.6.2000
 - second deadline: 19.6-2.7.2000
19. **Deadline for the submission of tenders (at 12 noon, Brussels time):**
 - first deadline: 16.5.2000
 - second deadline: 30.5.2000
20. **Amount of tendering guarantee:** EUR 5 per tonne
21. **Address for submission of tenders and tendering guarantees** ⁽¹⁾: Bureau de l'aide alimentaire, Attn. Mr T. Vestergaard, Bâtiment Loi 130, Bureau 7/46, Rue de la Loi/Wetstraat 200, B-1049 Bruxelles; telex 25670 AGREC B; fax (32-2) 296 70 03/296 70 04 (exclusively)
22. **Export refund** ⁽⁴⁾: refund applicable on 28.4.2000, fixed by Commission Regulation (EC) No 673/2000 (OJ L 81, 1.4.2000, p. 9)

LOT B

1. **Action Nos:** 104/99 (B1); 105/99 (B2); 106/99 (B3); 107/99 (B4); 108/99 (B5)
2. **Beneficiary** ⁽²⁾: WFP (World Food Programme), via Cristoforo Colombo 426, I-00145 Roma; tel. (39-06) 65 13 29 88; fax 65 13 28 44/3; telex 626675 WFP I
3. **Beneficiary's representative:** to be designated by the recipient
4. **Country of destination:** B1: Tanzania; B2: Burundi; B3: Uganda; B4: Rwanda; B5: Uganda
5. **Product to be mobilised:** maize
6. **Total quantity (tonnes net):** 22 950
7. **Number of lots:** 1 in 5 parts (B1: 7 650 tonnes; B2: 4 000 tonnes; B3: 1 000 tonnes; B4: 2 300 tonnes; B5: 8 000 tonnes)
8. **Characteristics and quality of the product** ⁽³⁾ ⁽⁵⁾: see OJ C 114, 29.4.1991, p. 1 (IIA(1)(d))
9. **Packaging:** see OJ C 267, 13.9.1996, p. 1 (1.0, A(1.c and 2.c) and B(2))
10. **Labelling or marking** ⁽⁶⁾: see OJ C 114, 29.4.1991, p. 1 (IIA(3))
 - language to be used for the markings: B2 + B4: French; B1 + B3 + B5: English
 - supplementary markings: —
11. **Method of mobilisation of the product:** the Community market
12. **Specified delivery stage:** free at port of shipment — fob stowed and trimmed ⁽⁸⁾
13. **Alternative delivery stage:** —
14. a) **Port of shipment:** —
b) **Loading address:** —
15. **Port of landing:** —
16. **Place of destination:** —
 - port or warehouse of transit: —
 - overland transport route: —
17. **Period or deadline of supply at the specified stage:**
 - first deadline: 5-25.6.2000
 - second deadline: 19.6-9.7.2000
18. **Period or deadline of supply at the alternative stage:**
 - first deadline: —
 - second deadline: —
19. **Deadline for the submission of tenders (at 12 noon, Brussels time):**
 - first deadline: 16.5.2000
 - second deadline: 30.5.2000
20. **Amount of tendering guarantee:** EUR 5 per tonne
21. **Address for submission of tenders and tendering guarantees** ⁽¹⁾: Bureau de l'aide alimentaire, Attn. Mr T. Vestergaard, Bâtiment Loi 130, Bureau 7/46, Rue de la Loi/Wetstraat 200, B-1049 Bruxelles; telex 25670 AGREC B; fax (32-2) 296 70 03/296 70 04(exclusively)
22. **Export refund** ⁽⁴⁾: refund applicable on 28.4.2000, fixed by Commission Regulation (EC) No 673/2000 (OJ L 81, 1.4.2000, p. 9)

Notes:

- (¹) Supplementary information: André Debongnie (tel. (32-2) 295 14 65), Torben Vestergaard (tel. (32-2) 299 30 50).
 - (²) The supplier shall contact the beneficiary or its representative as soon as possible to establish which consignment documents are required.
 - (³) The supplier shall deliver to the beneficiary a certificate from an official entity certifying that for the products to be delivered the standards applicable, relative to nuclear radiation, in the Member State concerned, have not been exceeded. The radioactivity certificate must indicate the caesium-134 and -137 and iodine-131 levels.
 - (⁴) Commission Regulation (EC) No 259/98 (OJ L 25, 31.1.1998, p. 39) is applicable as regards the export refund. The date referred to in Article 2 of the said Regulation is that referred to in point 22 of this Annex. The supplier's attention is drawn to the last subparagraph of Article 4(1) of the above Regulation. The photocopy of the export licence shall be sent as soon as the export declaration has been accepted (fax (32-2) 296 20 05).
 - (⁵) The supplier shall supply to the beneficiary or its representative, on delivery, the following document:
— phytosanitary certificate.
 - (⁶) Notwithstanding OJ C 114, point II.A (3) (c) is replaced by the following: 'the words "European Community"'.
 - (⁷) Since the goods may be rebagged, the supplier must provide 2 % of empty bags of the same quality as those containing the goods, with the marking followed by a capital 'R'.
 - (⁸) The quantity and quality control will be carried out for every 2 500 tonnes.
 - (⁹) In addition to the provisions of Article 14(3) of Regulation (EC) No 2519/97, vessels chartered shall not appear on any of the four most recent quarterly lists of detained vessels as published by the Paris Memorandum of Understanding on Port State Control (Council Directive 95/21/EC, (OJ L 157, 7.7.1995, p. 1)).
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**COMMISSION REGULATION (EC) No 884/2000
of 28 April 2000
amending Regulation (EC) No 797/2000 on the supply of cereals as food aid**

THE COMMISSION OF THE EUROPEAN COMMUNITIES,

Having regard to the Treaty establishing the European Community,

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

Whereas:

Commission Regulation (EC) No 797/2000 ⁽²⁾ issued an invitation to tender for the supply, as food aid, of cereals. For lots A

and C some of the conditions specified in the Annex to that Regulation should be altered at the request of the beneficiary,

HAS ADOPTED THIS REGULATION:

Article 1

For lots A and C the Annex to Regulation (EC) No 797/2000 is replaced by the Annex to this Regulation.

Article 2

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

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

Done at Brussels, 28 April 2000.

For the Commission

Franz FISCHLER

Member of the Commission

⁽¹⁾ OJ L 166, 5.7.1996, p. 1.

⁽²⁾ OJ L 96, 18.4.2000, p. 24.

ANNEX

LOT A

1. **Action No:** 92/99
2. **Beneficiary** ⁽²⁾: WFP (World Food Programme), via Cristoforo Colombo 426, I-00145 Roma tel. (39-6) 65 13 29 88; fax 65 13 28 44/3; telex 626675 WFP I
3. **Beneficiary's representative:** to be designated by the recipient
4. **Country of destination:** Tajikistan
5. **Product to be mobilised:** common wheat flour
6. **Total quantity (tonnes net):** 8 000
7. **Number of lots:** 1
8. **Characteristics and quality of the product** ⁽³⁾ ⁽⁵⁾: see OJ C 114, 29.4.1991, p. 1 (II.B.(1)(a))
9. **Packaging** ⁽⁷⁾: see OJ C 267, 13.9.1996, p. 1 (2.1 A 1.d, 2.d and B.1) or (2.2, A(1.d and 2.d) and B(1))
10. **Labelling or marking** ⁽⁶⁾: see OJ C 114, 29.4.1991, p. 1 (II.B.(3))
 - language to be used for the markings: English
 - supplementary markings: —
11. **Method of mobilisation of the product:** the Community market
12. **Specified delivery stage:** free at port of shipment — fob stowed
13. **Alternative delivery stage:** —
14. a) **Port of shipment:** —
b) **Loading address:** —
15. **Port of landing:** —
16. **Place of destination:** —
 - port or warehouse of transit: —
 - overland transport route: —
17. **Period or deadline of supply at the specified stage:**
 - first deadline: 12.6-2.7.2000
 - second deadline: 26.6-16.7.2000
18. **Period or deadline of supply at the alternative stage:**
 - first deadline: —
 - second deadline: —
19. **Deadline for the submission of tenders (at 12 noon, Brussels time):**
 - first deadline: 16.5.2000
 - second deadline: 30.5.2000
20. **Amount of tendering guarantee:** EUR 5 per tonne
21. **Address for submission of tenders and tendering guarantees** ⁽¹⁾: Bureau de l'aide alimentaire, Attn. Mr T. Vestergaard, Bâtiment Loi 130, Bureau 7/46, Rue de la Loi/Wetstraat 200, B-1049 Bruxelles/Brussels; telex 25670 AGREC B; fax (32-2) 296 70 03/296 70 04 (exclusively)
22. **Export refund** ⁽⁴⁾: refund applicable on 28.4.2000, fixed by Commission Regulation (EC) No 673/2000 (OJ L 81, 1.4.2000, p. 9)

LOT C

1. **Action No:** 277/98 (C1); 278/98 (C2); 292/98 (C3)
2. **Beneficiary** ⁽²⁾: Euronaid, PO Box 12, NL-2501 CA Den Haag, Nederland tel. (31-70) 3 305 757; fax 3 641 701; telex 30960 EURON NL
3. **Beneficiary's representative:** to be designated by the recipient
4. **Country of destination:** Ethiopia
5. **Product to be mobilised:** common wheat
6. **Total quantity (tonnes net):** 19 954
7. **Number of lots** 1 in 3 parts (C1: 3 670 tonnes; C2: 12 526 tonnes; C3: 3 758 tonnes)
8. **Characteristics and quality of the product** ⁽³⁾ ⁽⁵⁾: see OJ C 114, 29.4.1991, p. 1 (II.A(1)(a))
9. **Packaging:** ⁽⁷⁾: see OJ C 267, 13.9.1996, p. 1 (1.0, A(1.c and 2.c) and B(3))
10. **Labelling or marking** ⁽⁶⁾: see OJ C 114, 29.4.1991, p. 1 (II.A(3))
 - language to be used for the markings: English
 - supplementary markings: —
11. **Method of mobilisation of the product:** the Community market
12. **Specified delivery stage:** free at port of shipment — fob stowed ⁽⁸⁾:
13. **Alternative delivery stage:** —
14. a) **Port of shipment:** —
 - b) **Loading address:** —
15. **Port of landing:** —
16. **Place of destination:** —
 - port or warehouse of transit: —
 - overland transport route: —
17. **Period or deadline of supply at the specified stage:**
 - first deadline: 5-25.6.2000
 - second deadline: 19.6-9.7.2000
18. **Period or deadline of supply at the alternative stage:**
 - first deadline: —
 - second deadline: —
19. **Deadline for the submission of tenders (at 12 noon, Brussels time):**
 - first deadline: 16.5.2000
 - second deadline: 30.5.2000
20. **Amount of tendering guarantee:** EUR 5 per tonne
21. **Address for submission of tenders and tendering guarantees** ⁽¹⁾: Bureau de l'aide alimentaire, Attn. Mr T. Vestergaard, Bâtiment Loi 130, Bureau 7/46, Rue de la Loi/Wetstraat 200, B-1049 Bruxelles/Brussel; telex 25670 AGREC B; fax (32-2) 296 70 03/296 70 04 (exclusively)
22. **Export refund** ⁽⁴⁾: refund applicable on 28.4.2000, fixed by Commission Regulation (EC) No 673/2000 (OJ L 81, 1.4.2000, p. 9)

Notes:

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

- (⁷) Since the goods may be rebagged, the successful tenderer must provide 2 % of empty bags of the same quality as those containing the goods, with the marking followed by a capital 'R'.
- (⁸) The quantity and quality control will be carried out for every 2 500 tonnes.

COMMISSION REGULATION (EC) No 885/2000**of 28 April 2000****opening and providing for the administration of an import tariff quota for young male bovine animals for fattening (1 July 2000 to 30 June 2001)**

THE COMMISSION OF THE EUROPEAN COMMUNITIES,

Having regard to the Treaty establishing the European Community,

Having regard to Council Regulation (EC) No 1254/1999 of 17 May 1999 on the common organisation of the market in beef and veal ⁽¹⁾, and in particular Article 32(1) thereof,

Having regard to Council Regulation (EC) No 1095/96 of 18 June 1996 on the implementation of the concessions set out in schedule CXL drawn up in the wake of the conclusion of the GATT XXIV.6 negotiations ⁽²⁾, and in particular Article 1(1) thereof,

Whereas:

- (1) Under schedule CXL the Community undertook to open an annual import tariff quota for 169 000 head of young male bovine animals for fattening. The rules for applying that quota for the period 1 July 2000 to 30 June 2001 should be laid down.
- (2) The supply requirements of certain regions of the Community which have a serious shortfall of bovine animals for fattening should be taken into account. As those requirements are particularly evident in Italy and Greece, priority must be given to satisfying demand in those two Member States.
- (3) There should be a guarantee in particular of equal and continuing access to the said quota for all interested traders within the Community and of uninterrupted application of the customs duties laid down for the quota to all imports of the animals in question until the quota is used up.
- (4) In view of the actual market situation, a method of management should be applied which is comparable to that used in the past for quotas bearing the same serial number, involving, in particular, a continuation of the method of allocation between traditional importers and traders actively involved in trade in live animals with third countries.
- (5) Checks of those criteria call for applications to be submitted in the Member State where the trader is entered in the value added tax (VAT) register.
- (6) In order to prevent speculation, import licences should be issued to traders solely for the quantities for which they have been allocated import rights.

- (7) With a view to using up quota quantities completely, a closing date should be set for the submission of import licence applications and provision should be made for a further allocation of quantities not covered by licence applications submitted by that date.
- (8) Provision should be made for the arrangements to be managed using import licences. To that end rules should be laid down in particular on the way applications are to be submitted and the information to be shown in applications and licences, where applicable by waiving or supplementing certain provisions of Commission Regulation (EEC) No 3719/88 of 16 November 1988 laying down common detailed rules for the application of the system of import and export licences and advance fixing certificates for certain agricultural products ⁽³⁾, as last amended by Regulation (EC) No 1127/1999 ⁽⁴⁾, and of Commission Regulation (EC) No 1445/95 of 26 June 1995 on rules of application for import and export licences in the beef and veal sector and repealing Regulation (EEC) No 2377/80 ⁽⁵⁾, as last amended by Regulation (EC) No 2648/98 ⁽⁶⁾.
- (9) The application of this tariff quota requires effective checks on the specific destination of imports. Therefore, the animals must be fattened in the Member State which issues the import licence.
- (10) A security must be lodged in order to guarantee that the animals are fattened for at least 120 days in designated production units. The amount of this security should cover the difference between the Common Customs Tariff (CCT) duty and the reduced duty applicable on the date of release for free circulation of the animals in question.
- (11) The Management Committee for Beef and Veal has not delivered an opinion within the time limit set by its Chairman,

HAS ADOPTED THIS REGULATION:

Article 1

1. A tariff quota for 169 000 young male bovine animals covered by CN codes 0102 90 05, 0102 90 29 or 0102 90 49 and intended for fattening in the Community is hereby opened for the period 1 July 2000 to 30 June 2001.

⁽³⁾ OJ L 331, 2.12.1988, p. 1.

⁽⁴⁾ OJ L 135, 29.5.1999, p. 48.

⁽⁵⁾ OJ L 143, 27.6.1995, p. 35.

⁽⁶⁾ OJ L 335, 10.12.1998, p. 39.

⁽¹⁾ OJ L 160, 26.6.1999, p. 21.

⁽²⁾ OJ L 146, 20.6.1996, p. 1.

The serial number of the quota shall be 09.4005.

2. The customs import duty applicable to the quota referred to in paragraph 1 shall be EUR 582 per tonne plus 16 % *ad valorem*.

That rate of duty shall apply on condition that the imported animals are fattened in the Member State of import for at least 120 days.

Article 2

1. Import rights for the quantities referred to in Article 1(1) shall be allocated to the Member States as follows:

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|--------------------------|--------------|
| (a) Italy: | 143 650 head |
| (b) Greece: | 21 970 head |
| (c) other Member States: | 3 380 head. |

2. Within each of the quantities referred to in paragraph 1(a) and (b), import rights relating to:

- 80 % of the quantity shall be allocated upon application directly to importers who furnish proof of having imported animals under the Regulations referred to in Annex I; the number of head shall be allocated in proportion to the number of head imported under the Regulations in question,
- 20 % of the quantities shall be allocated upon application directly to traders who furnish proof that in 1999 they exported to and/or imported from third countries at least 50 live animals covered by CN code 0102 90, excluding imports under the Regulations referred to in Annex I.

Traders must be entered in the national value added tax (VAT) register.

Applications for import rights shall be presented:

- in Italy for the quantities referred to in paragraph 1(a),
- in Greece for the quantities referred to in paragraph 1(b).

3. The quantities referred to in paragraph 1(c) shall be allocated upon application to traders who furnish proof that in 1999 they exported to and/or imported from third countries at least 50 live animals covered by CN code 0102 90.

Applications for import rights for the quantities referred to in the first subparagraph shall be presented in a Member State — other than Italy or Greece — where the applicant is entered in the national value added tax register.

4. The quantities referred to in the second indent of the first subparagraph of paragraph 2 and in paragraph 3 shall be allocated to eligible traders in proportion to the quantities applied for.

5. Proof of import and/or export shall be provided solely by means of customs documents of release for free circulation or export documents.

Member States may accept copies of those documents duly certified by the competent authorities.

Article 3

1. Traders who are no longer engaged in trade in live bovine animals on 1 June 2000 shall not qualify under the arrangements provided for in this Regulation.

2. Companies arising from mergers where each constituent part has rights pursuant to the first subparagraph of Article 2(2) shall enjoy the same rights as the companies from which they are formed.

Article 4

1. No application shall be made for import rights for a number of head exceeding that available.

Where, under any one category referred to in Article 2(2) and (3), an applicant submits more than one application, all such applications shall be rejected.

2. For the purposes of Article 2(2) and (3), applications accompanied by the necessary proofs must reach the competent authorities not later than 6 June 2000.

3. As regards applications under Article 2(3), after verification of the documents presented, Member States shall forward to the Commission by 20 June 2000 at the latest a list of applicants and quantities applied for using the form set out in Annex II.

The Commission shall decide as soon as possible to what extent applications may be accepted. Where the quantities applied for exceed the quantities available, the Commission shall fix a single percentage reduction to be applied to the quantities applied for.

Where the application of the uniform percentage reduction provided for in the second subparagraph results in less than 50 head being allocated per application, the allocation shall be made by the Member States concerned by drawing lots for batches of 50 head. Where the remainder is less than 50 head, that number shall constitute a single batch.

4. As regards applications under Article 2(2), after verification of the documents presented, Italy and Greece shall forward to the Commission by 27 June 2000 at the latest a list of applicants and quantities applied for using the forms set out in Annexes II and III.

Article 3

1. Any import of animals for which import rights have been allocated shall be subject to presentation of an import licence.

2. Regulations (EEC) No 3719/88 and (EC) No 1445/95 shall apply, subject to this Regulation.

3. Licence applications may be lodged solely:

- in the Member State in which the application for import rights has been lodged, and

— by traders to whom import rights have been allocated in accordance with Articles 2 and 4. Import rights allocated to traders entitle them to import licences for quantities equivalent to the rights allocated.

4. Licences shall be issued up to 30 November 2000 for a maximum of 50 % of the allocated import rights. Import licences for the remaining quantities shall be issued from 1 December 2000.

5. Licence applications and licences shall show:

- (a) the country of origin in box 8;
- (b) one of the eligible CN codes in box 16;
- (c) the following endorsement in box 20:

'Live male bovine animals of a live weight not exceeding 300 kg per head (Regulation (EC) No 885/2000).'

Article 6

1. Notwithstanding Article 3 of Regulation (EC) No 1445/95, import licences shall be valid for 120 days from their date of issue within the meaning of Article 21(2) of Regulation (EEC) No 3719/88. However, no licences shall be valid after 30 June 2001.

2. Licences shall be valid throughout the Community.

3. Article 8(4) of Regulation (EEC) No 3719/88 shall not apply.

Article 7

1. At the time of import, the importer shall provide proof that he has:

- given a written undertaking to inform the competent authority of the Member State that issued the licence within one month of the farm or farms where the young bovine animals are to be fattened,
- lodged a security of an amount as laid down for each eligible CN code in Annex IV with the competent authority of the Member State that issued the licence guaranteeing that the animals imported will be fattened in that Member State for a period of at least 120 days from the date of import.

2. The animals covered by this Regulation shall be fattened in the Member State that issues the import licence.

3. Except in cases of *force majeure*, the security shall be released only if proof is furnished to the competent authority of the Member State that issued the licence that the young bovine animals:

- (a) have been fattened on the farm or farms indicated pursuant to paragraph 1;
- (b) have not been slaughtered before a period of 120 days from the date of import has elapsed;

or

- (c) have been slaughtered for health reasons or have died as a result of sickness or accident before that period has elapsed.

The security shall be released immediately after such proof has been furnished.

However, where the time limit referred to in the first indent of paragraph 1 has not been observed, the security to be released shall be reduced by:

- 15 %, and by
- 2 % of the remaining amount for each day by which it has been exceeded.

The amounts not released shall be forfeited and retained as customs duties.

4. If the proof referred to in paragraph 3 is not furnished within 180 days from the date of import, the security shall be forfeited and retained as customs duty.

However, if such proof is not furnished within 180 days but is produced within six months following the said period of 180 days, the amount forfeited, less 15 % of the security, shall be repaid.

Article 8

1. Quantities not covered by import licence applications at 28 February 2001 shall be awarded under a further allocation, irrespective of the allocation of import rights between Member States referred to in Article 2(1) and of the two different schemes provided for in the first and second indents of Article 2(2).

2. To that end, by 7 March 2001 at the latest the Member States shall send the Commission details of quantities not covered by import licence applications received.

3. The Commission shall take a decision as quickly as possible as regards the quantities remaining.

4. Quantities remaining shall be allocated upon application to traders proving that in 1999 they exported to and/or imported from third countries at least 50 live animals covered by CN code 0102 90.

Applications for import rights shall be presented in the Member State where the applicant is entered in the national value added tax register.

5. For the purposes of applying this Article, Articles 4 to 7 shall apply *mutatis mutandis*. However, the dates mentioned in Article 4(2) and (3) shall be replaced by 30 March 2001 and 6 April 2001 respectively.

Article 9

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

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

Done at Brussels, 28 April 2000.

For the Commission
Franz FISCHLER
Member of the Commission

ANNEX I

Regulations referred to in Article 2(2)

Commission Regulations:

- (EC) No 1376/97 (OJ L 189, 18.7.1997, p. 3),
 - (EC) No 1043/98 (OJ L 149, 20.5.1998, p. 7),
 - (EC) No 1431/1999 (OJ L 166, 1.7.1999, p. 49).
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ANNEX II

Fax: (32-2) 296 60 27/295 36 13

Application of Article 4(3) and (4) of Regulation (EC) No 885/2000

Serial No 09.4005

COMMISSION OF THE EUROPEAN COMMUNITIES

DG AGRI/D/2 — BEEF/VEAL

IMPORT RIGHTS APPLICATION

Date: Period:

Member State:

Number of applicant (l)	Applicant (name and address)	Quantity (head)
Total		

Member State: Fax No:

Tel. No:

(1) Continuous numbering

ANNEX III

Fax: (32-2) 296 60 27/295 36 13

Application of Article 4(4) of Regulation (EC) No 885/2000

Serial No 09.4005

COMMISSION OF THE EUROPEAN COMMUNITIES

DG AGRI/D/2 — BEEF/VEAL

IMPORT RIGHTS APPLICATION

Date: Period:

Member State:

Number of applicant (¹)	Applicant (name and address)	Quantity imported (head)			Total
		Regulation (EC) No 1376/97	Regulation (EC) No 1043/98	Regulation (EC) No 1431/1999	
Total					

Member State: Fax No:

Tel. No:

(¹) Continuous numbering

ANNEX IV

SECURITY AMOUNTS

Male bovine animals for fattening (CN code)	Amount (EUR/head)
0102 90 05	28
0102 90 29	56
0102 90 49	105

COMMISSION REGULATION (EC) No 886/2000**of 28 April 2000****fixing the rates of refunds applicable to certain products from the sugar sector 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 2038/1999 of 13 September 1999 on the common organisation of the market in sugar ⁽¹⁾, and in particular Article 18(5)(a) and (15),

Whereas:

(1) Article 18(1) and (2) of Regulation (EEC) No 1785/81 provides that the differences between the prices in international trade for the products listed in Article 1(1)(a), (c), (d), (f), (g) and (h) of that Regulation and prices within the Community may be covered by an export refund where these products are exported in the form of goods listed in the Annex to that Regulation. 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 ⁽²⁾, as last amended by Regulation (EC) No 701/2000 ⁽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 Annex I to Regulation (EC) No 2038/1999.

(2) In accordance with 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 18(3) of Regulation (EC) No 2038/1999 and Article 11 of the Agreement on Agriculture concluded under the Uruguay Round lay down that the export refund for a product contained in a good may not exceed the refund applicable to that product when exported without further processing.

(4) The refunds fixed under this Regulation may be fixed in advance as the market situation over the next few months cannot be established at the moment.

(5) 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 jeopardized by the fixing in advance of high refund rates. It is therefore necessary to take precautionary measures in such situations without, however, preventing the conclusion of long-term contracts. The fixing of a specific refund rate for the advance fixing of refunds is a measure which enables these various objectives to be met.

(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 Council Regulation (EEC) No 1010/86 ⁽⁴⁾, as last amended by Commission Regulation (EC) No 1148/98 ⁽⁵⁾, 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 Sugar 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 in Article 1(1) and (2) of Regulation (EC) No 2038/1999, exported in the form of goods listed in Annex I to Regulation (EC) No 2038/1999, are fixed as shown in the Annex hereto.

Article 2

This Regulation shall enter into force on 1 May 2000.

⁽¹⁾ OJ L 252, 25.9.1999, p. 1.

⁽²⁾ OJ L 136, 31.5.1994, p. 5.

⁽³⁾ OJ L 83, 4.4.2000, p. 6.

⁽⁴⁾ OJ L 94, 9.4.1986, p. 9.

⁽⁵⁾ OJ L 159, 3.6.1998, p. 38.

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

Done at Brussels, 28 April 2000.

For the Commission

Erkki LIIKANEN

Member of the Commission

ANNEX

to the Commission Regulation of 28 April 2000 fixing the rates of the refunds applicable to certain products in the sugar sector exported in the form of goods not covered by Annex I to the Treaty

Product	Rate of refund in EUR/100 kg	
	In case of advance fixing of refunds	Other
White sugar:		
— pursuant to Article 4(5)(b) of Regulation (EC) No 1222/94	—	—
— in all other cases	43,65	43,65

COMMISSION REGULATION (EC) No 887/2000**of 28 April 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 (EEC) No 804/68 of 27 June 1968 on the common organisation of the market in milk and milk products ⁽¹⁾, as last amended by Regulation (EC) No 1587/96 ⁽²⁾, and in particular Article 17 (3) thereof,

Whereas:

(1) Article 17 (1) of Regulation (EEC) No 804/68 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 ⁽³⁾, as last amended by Regulation (EC) No 1702/1999 ⁽⁴⁾, 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 (EEC) No 804/68.

(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 (EEC) No 804/68 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 set

out in Article 1 of Council Regulation (EEC) No 987/68 of 15 July 1968 laying down general rules for granting aid for skimmed milk processed into casein or caseinates ⁽⁵⁾, as last amended by Regulation (EEC) No 1435/90 ⁽⁶⁾.

(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 ⁽⁷⁾, as last amended by Regulation (EC) No 494/1999 ⁽⁸⁾, lays down that butter and cream at reduced prices should be made available to industries which manufacture certain goods.

(6) The measures provided for in this Regulation are in accordance with the opinion of the Management Committee for Milk and Milk Products. Therefore, pursuant to Article 30(3) of Regulation (EEC) No 804/68, they must be notified forthwith to the Council. They should nevertheless be applied without delay, in view of the need to ensure continuity of strict management taking account of expenditure forecasts and funds available in the budget,

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 (EEC) No 804/68, exported in the form of goods listed in the Annex to Regulation (EEC) No 804/68, 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 1 May 2000.

⁽¹⁾ OJ L 148, 28.6.1968, p. 13.

⁽²⁾ OJ L 206, 16.8.1996, p. 21.

⁽³⁾ OJ L 136, 31.5.1994, p. 5.

⁽⁴⁾ OJ L 201, 31.7.1999, p. 30.

⁽⁵⁾ OJ L 169, 18.7.1968, p. 6.

⁽⁶⁾ OJ L 138, 31.5.1990, p. 8.

⁽⁷⁾ OJ L 350, 20.12.1997, p. 3.

⁽⁸⁾ 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, 28 April 2000.

For the Commission
Erkki LIIKANEN
Member of the Commission

ANNEX

to the Commission Regulation of 28 April 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	62,08
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	67,29
	(b) On exportation of other goods	88,82
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	67,35
	(b) On exportation of goods of CN code 2106 90 98 containing 40 % or more by weight of milk fat	169,60
	(c) On exportation of other goods	162,35

COMMISSION REGULATION (EC) No 888/2000
of 28 April 2000
fixing export refunds on fruit and vegetables

THE COMMISSION OF THE EUROPEAN COMMUNITIES,

Having regard to the Treaty establishing the European Community,

Having regard to Council Regulation (EC) No 2200/96 of 28 October 1996 on the common organisation of the market in fruit and vegetables ⁽¹⁾, as last amended by Regulation (EC) No 1257/1999 ⁽²⁾, and in particular Article 35(3) thereof,

Whereas:

- (1) Commission Regulation (EC) No 2190/96 ⁽³⁾, as last amended by Regulation (EC) No 298/2000 ⁽⁴⁾, lays down detailed rules on export refunds on fruit and vegetables.
- (2) Article 35(1) of Regulation (EC) No 2200/96, provides that, to the extent necessary for economically significant quantities of the products listed in that Article to be exported, the difference between the international market prices for those products and their prices in the Community may be covered by export refunds.
- (3) Article 35(4) of Regulation (EC) No 2200/96 provides that refunds must be fixed in the light of the existing situation or the outlook for fruit and vegetable prices on the Community market and supplies available on the one hand, and prices on the international market on the other hand. Account must also be taken of the costs referred to in Article 35(4)(b) of that Regulation and of the economic aspect of the exports planned.
- (4) Pursuant to Article 35(1) of Regulation (EC) No 2200/96, refunds are to be set with due regard to the limits resulting from agreements concluded in accordance with Article 300 of the Treaty.
- (5) In accordance with Article 35(5) of Regulation (EC) No 2200/96, prices on the Community market are to be established in the light of the most favourable prices from the export standpoint. International trade prices are to be established in the light of the prices referred to in the second subparagraph of that paragraph.

- (6) The international trade situation or the special requirements of certain markets may call for the refund on a given product to vary according to its destination.
- (7) Tomatoes, lemons, oranges, apples, peaches and nectarines of classes Extra, I and II of the common quality standards, shelled almonds, hazelnuts and walnuts in shell can currently be exported in economically significant quantities.
- (8) The application of the abovementioned rules to the present and forecast market situation, and in particular to fruit and vegetable prices in the Community and international trade, gives the refund rates set out in the Annex hereto.
- (9) Pursuant to Article 35(2) of Regulation (EC) No 2200/96, the resources available should be used as efficiently as possible while avoiding discrimination between traders. Therefore, care should be taken not to disturb the trade flows previously induced by the refund arrangements. For those reasons and because of the seasonal nature of exports of fruit and vegetables, quotas should be fixed for each product.
- (10) Commission Regulation (EEC) No 3846/87 ⁽⁵⁾, as last amended by Regulation (EC) No 2765/1999 ⁽⁶⁾, establishes an agricultural product nomenclature for export refunds.
- (11) Commission Regulation (EEC) No 3719/88 ⁽⁷⁾, as last amended by Regulation (EC) No 1127/1999 ⁽⁸⁾, lays down common detailed rules for the application of the system of import and export licences and advance fixing certificates for agricultural products.
- (12) Owing to the market situation, in order to make the most efficient use of the resources available and given the structure of Community exports, the most appropriate method should be selected for export refunds on certain products and certain destinations and consequently refunds under the A1 and A2 licence arrangements referred to in Article 1 of Regulation (EC) No 2190/96 should not be fixed simultaneously for the export period in question.

⁽¹⁾ OJ L 297, 21.11.1996, p. 1.

⁽²⁾ OJ L 160, 26.6.1999, p. 80.

⁽³⁾ OJ L 292, 15.11.1996, p. 12.

⁽⁴⁾ OJ L 34, 9.2.2000, p. 16.

⁽⁵⁾ OJ L 366, 24.12.1987, p. 1.

⁽⁶⁾ OJ L 338, 30.12.1999, p. 1.

⁽⁷⁾ OJ L 331, 2.12.1988, p. 1.

⁽⁸⁾ OJ L 135, 29.5.1999, p. 48.

- (13) The quantities laid down for the various products should be distributed in accordance with the different systems for the grant of the refund, taking account in particular of their perishability.
- (14) The measures provided for in this Regulation are in accordance with the opinion of the Management Committee for Fruit and Vegetables,
2. Quantities covered by licences issued for food aid as referred to in Article 14a of Regulation (EEC) No 3719/88 shall not count against the eligible quantities covered by the Annex.
3. Without prejudice to the application of Article 4(5) of Regulation (EC) No 2190/96, the term of validity of A1 and A2 licences shall be two months.

HAS ADOPTED THIS REGULATION:

Article 1

1. The export refunds on fruit and vegetables shall be as set out in the Annex hereto.

Article 2

This Regulation shall enter into force on 10 May 2000.

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

Done at Brussels, 28 April 2000.

For the Commission
Franz FISCHLER
Member of the Commission

ANNEX

EXPORT REFUNDS ON FRUIT AND VEGETABLES

Product (full definitions of eligible products are given in the 'Fruit and vegetables' sector of Commission Regulation (EEC) No 3846/87 amended)	Product code	Destination or destination group ⁽¹⁾	System Application periods					
			A1 10.5 to 23.6.2000		A2 11 to 15.5.2000		B 17.5 to 30.6.2000	
			Refund rate (EUR/t net weight)	Scheduled quantity (t)	Indicative refund rate (EUR/t net weight)	Scheduled quantity (t)	Indicative refund rate (EUR/t net weight)	Scheduled quantity (t)
Tomatoes	0702 00 00 9100	A00	20		20	8 808	20	17 616
Shelled almonds	0802 12 90 9000	A00	50	424			50	424
Hazelnuts in shell	0802 21 00 9000	A00						
Shelled hazelnuts	0802 22 00 9000	A00	114	668			114	668
Walnuts in shell	0802 31 00 9000	A00						
Oranges	0805 10 10 9100 0805 10 30 9100 0805 10 50 9100	A00	50		50	6 920	50	13 839
Lemons	0805 30 10 9100	A00	50		50	11 298	50	11 298
Apples	0808 10 20 9100 0808 10 50 9100 0808 10 90 9100	F07	40		40	5 044	40	3 456
Peaches and nectarines	0809 30 10 9100 0809 30 90 9100	A21	27		27	584	27	1 168

⁽¹⁾ The destination codes are defined as follows:

A00: All destinations.

A21: All destinations except Switzerland.

F07: Norway, Iceland, Greenland, Faeroes, Poland, Hungary, Romania, Bulgaria, Albania, Estonia, Latvia, Lithuania, Bosnia-Herzegovina, Croatia, Slovenia, Former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia, Federal Republic of Yugoslavia (Serbia and Montenegro), Malta, Armenia, Azerbaijan, Belarus, Georgia, Kazakhstan, Kyrgyzstan, Moldova, Russia, Tajikistan, Turkmenistan, Uzbekistan, Ukraine, destinations referred to in Article 36 of Commission Regulation (EC) No 800/1999, African countries and territories except South Africa, countries of the Arabian Peninsula (Saudi Arabia, Bahrain, Qatar, Oman, United Arab Emirates (Abu Dhabi, Dubai, Sharjah, Ajman, Umm al Qalwain, Ras al Khaimah, Fujairah), Kuwait, Yemen), Syria, Iran, Jordan, Bolivia, Brazil, Venezuela, Peru, Panama, Ecuador and Colombia.

COMMISSION REGULATION (EC) No 889/2000
of 28 April 2000
providing for the rejection of applications for export licences in relation to certain processed
products and 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 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 on potato starch and maize- and wheat-based products is of great importance and could give rise to speculation; whereas it has therefore been decided to reject all applications

for export licences of such products made on 26 and 27 April 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 codes 1102 20 10, 1103 13 10, 1104 23 10, 1108 11 00, 1108 12 00, 1108 13 00, 1702 30 51, 1702 30 99, 1702 90 50, 1702 90 79, 2309 10 11, 2309 10 13, 2309 10 31, 2309 10 33, 2309 10 51, 2309 10 53, 2309 90 31, 2309 90 33, 2309 90 41, 2309 90 43, 2309 90 51 and 2309 90 53 made on 26 and 27 April 2000 shall be rejected.

Article 2

This Regulation shall enter into force on 29 April 2000.

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

Done at Brussels, 28 April 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.

COMMISSION REGULATION (EC) No 890/2000**of 28 April 2000****fixing the maximum export refund on wholly milled long grain rice in connection with the invitation to tender issued in Regulation (EC) No 2176/1999**

THE COMMISSION OF THE EUROPEAN COMMUNITIES,

Having regard to the Treaty establishing the European Community,

Having regard to Council Regulation (EC) No 3072/95 of 22 December 1995 on the common organisation of the market in rice ⁽¹⁾, as last amended by Regulation (EC) No 2072/98 ⁽²⁾, and in particular Article 13 (3) thereof,

Whereas:

- (1) An invitation to tender for the export refund on rice was issued pursuant to Commission Regulation (EC) No 2176/1999 ⁽³⁾.
- (2) Article 5 of Commission Regulation (EEC) No 584/75 ⁽⁴⁾, as last amended by Regulation (EC) No 299/95 ⁽⁵⁾, allows the Commission to fix, in accordance with the procedure laid down in Article 22 of Regulation (EC) No 3072/95 and on the basis of the tenders submitted, a maximum export refund. In fixing this maximum, the criteria provided for in Article 13 of Regulation (EC) No 3072/95 must be taken into account. A contract is awarded to any tenderer whose tender is equal to or less than the maximum export refund.

(3) The application of the abovementioned criteria to the current market situation for the rice 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

The maximum export refund on wholly milled long grain rice falling within CN code 1006 30 67 to be exported to certain third countries pursuant to the invitation to tender issued in Regulation (EC) No 2176/1999 is hereby fixed on the basis of the tenders submitted from 21 to 27 April 2000 at 278,00 EUR/t.

Article 2

This Regulation shall enter into force on 29 April 2000.

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

Done at Brussels, 28 April 2000.

For the Commission

Franz FISCHLER

Member of the Commission

⁽¹⁾ OJ L 329, 30.12.1995, p. 18.

⁽²⁾ OJ L 265, 30.9.1998, p. 4.

⁽³⁾ OJ L 267, 15.10.1999, p. 4.

⁽⁴⁾ OJ L 61, 7.3.1975, p. 25.

⁽⁵⁾ OJ L 35, 15.2.1995, p. 8.

COMMISSION REGULATION (EC) No 891/2000**of 28 April 2000****concerning tenders submitted in response to the invitation to tender for the export of husked long grain rice to the island of Réunion referred to in Regulation (EC) No 2177/1999**

THE COMMISSION OF THE EUROPEAN COMMUNITIES,

Having regard to the Treaty establishing the European Community,

Having regard to Council Regulation (EC) No 3072/95 of 22 December 1995 on the common organisation of the market in rice ⁽¹⁾, as last amended by Regulation (EC) No 2072/98 ⁽²⁾, and in particular Article 10(1) thereof,

Having regard to Commission Regulation (EEC) No 2692/89 of 6 September 1989 laying down detailed rules for exports of rice to Réunion ⁽³⁾, as amended by Regulation (EC) No 1453/1999 ⁽⁴⁾, and in particular Article 9 (1) thereof,

Whereas:

- (1) Commission Regulation (EC) No 2177/1999 ⁽⁵⁾ opens an invitation to tender for the subsidy on rice exported to Réunion.
- (2) Article 9 of Regulation (EEC) No 2692/89 allows the Commission to decide, in accordance with the procedure laid down in Article 22 of Regulation (EC) No 3072/95

and on the basis of the tenders submitted, to make no award.

- (3) On the basis of the criteria laid down in Articles 2 and 3 of Regulation (EEC) No 2692/89, a maximum subsidy 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 submitted from 24 to 27 April 2000 in response to the invitation to tender referred to in Regulation (EC) No 2177/1999 for the subsidy on exports to Réunion of husked long grain rice falling within CN code 1006 20 98.

Article 2

This Regulation shall enter into force on 29 April 2000.

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

Done at Brussels, 28 April 2000.

For the Commission

Franz FISCHLER

Member of the Commission

⁽¹⁾ OJ L 329, 30.12.1995, p. 18.

⁽²⁾ OJ L 265, 30.9.1998, p. 4.

⁽³⁾ OJ L 261, 7.9.1989, p. 8.

⁽⁴⁾ OJ L 167, 2.7.1999, p. 19.

⁽⁵⁾ OJ L 267, 15.10.1999, p. 7.

COMMISSION REGULATION (EC) No 892/2000**of 28 April 2000****concerning tenders submitted in response to the invitation to tender for the export to certain third European countries of wholly milled round, medium and long grain A rice issued in Regulation (EC) No 2178/1999**

THE COMMISSION OF THE EUROPEAN COMMUNITIES,

Having regard to the Treaty establishing the European Community,

Having regard to Council Regulation (EC) No 3072/95 of 22 December 1995 on the common organisation of the market in rice ⁽¹⁾, as last amended by Regulation (EC) No 2072/98 ⁽²⁾, and in particular Article 13 ⁽³⁾ thereof,

Whereas:

- (1) An invitation to tender for the export refund on rice was issued under Commission Regulation (EC) No 2178/99 ⁽³⁾.
- (2) Article 5 of Commission Regulation (EEC) No 584/75 ⁽⁴⁾, as last amended by Regulation (EC) No 299/95 ⁽⁵⁾, allows the Commission to decide, in accordance with the procedure laid down in Article 22 of Regulation (EC) No 3072/95 and on the basis of the tenders submitted, to make no award.

(3) On the basis of the criteria laid down in Article 13 of Regulation (EC) No 3072/95 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 submitted from 21 to 27 April 2000 in response to the invitation to tender for the export refund on wholly milled round, medium and long grain A rice to certain third European countries issued in Regulation (EC) No 2178/1999.

Article 2

This Regulation shall enter into force on 29 April 2000.

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

Done at Brussels, 28 April 2000.

For the Commission

Franz FISCHLER

Member of the Commission

⁽¹⁾ OJ L 329, 30.12.1995, p. 18.

⁽²⁾ OJ L 265, 30.9.1998, p. 4.

⁽³⁾ OJ L 267, 15.10.1999, p. 10.

⁽⁴⁾ OJ L 61, 7.3.1975, p. 25.

⁽⁵⁾ OJ L 35, 15.2.1995, p. 8.

COMMISSION REGULATION (EC) No 893/2000**of 28 April 2000****concerning tenders submitted in response to the invitation to tender for the export to certain third countries of wholly milled medium and long grain A rice issued in Regulation (EC) No 2179/1999**

THE COMMISSION OF THE EUROPEAN COMMUNITIES,

Having regard to the Treaty establishing the European Community,

Having regard to Council Regulation (EC) No 3072/95 of 22 December 1995 on the common organisation of the market in rice ⁽¹⁾, as last amended by Regulation (EC) No 2072/98 ⁽²⁾, and in particular Article 13(3) thereof,

Whereas:

- (1) An invitation to tender for the export refund on rice was issued under Commission Regulation (EC) No 2179/1999 ⁽³⁾.
- (2) Article 5 of Commission Regulation (EEC) No 584/75 ⁽⁴⁾, as last amended by Regulation (EC) No 299/95 ⁽⁵⁾, allows the Commission to decide, in accordance with the procedure laid down in Article 22 of Regulation (EC) No 3072/95 and on the basis of the tenders submitted, to make no award.

(3) On the basis of the criteria laid down in Article 13 of Regulation (EC) No 3072/95 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 submitted from 21 to 27 April 2000 in response to the invitation to tender for the export refund on wholly milled medium and long grain A rice to certain third European countries issued in Regulation (EC) No 2179/1999.

Article 2

This Regulation shall enter into force on 29 April 2000.

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

Done at Brussels, 28 April 2000.

For the Commission

Franz FISCHLER

Member of the Commission

⁽¹⁾ OJ L 329, 30.12.1995, p. 18.

⁽²⁾ OJ L 265, 30.9.1998, p. 4.

⁽³⁾ OJ L 267, 15.10.1999, p. 13.

⁽⁴⁾ OJ L 61, 7.3.1975, p. 25.

⁽⁵⁾ OJ L 35, 15.2.1995, p. 8.

COMMISSION REGULATION (EC) No 894/2000**of 28 April 2000****concerning tenders submitted in response to the invitation to tender for the export to certain third countries of wholly milled round grain A rice issued in Regulation (EC) No 2180/1999**

THE COMMISSION OF THE EUROPEAN COMMUNITIES,

Having regard to the Treaty establishing the European Community,

Having regard to Council Regulation (EC) No 3072/95 of 22 December 1995 on the common organisation of the market in rice ⁽¹⁾, as last amended by Regulation (EC) No 2072/98 ⁽²⁾, and in particular Article 13(3) thereof,

Whereas:

- (1) An invitation to tender for the export refund on rice was issued under Commission Regulation (EC) No 2180/1999 ⁽³⁾;
- (2) Article 5 of Commission Regulation (EEC) No 584/75 ⁽⁴⁾, as last amended by Regulation (EC) No 299/95 ⁽⁵⁾, allows the Commission to decide, in accordance with the procedure laid down in Article 22 of Regulation (EC) No 3072/95 and on the basis of the tenders submitted, to make no award.

(3) On the basis of the criteria laid down in Article 13 of Regulation (EC) No 3072/95 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 submitted from 21 to 27 April 2000 in response to the invitation to tender for the export refund on wholly milled round grain A rice to certain third countries issued in Regulation (EC) No 2180/1999.

Article 2

This Regulation shall enter into force on 29 April 2000.

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

Done at Brussels, 28 April 2000.

For the Commission

Franz FISCHLER

Member of the Commission

⁽¹⁾ OJ L 329, 30.12.1995, p. 18.

⁽²⁾ OJ L 265, 30.9.1998, p. 4.

⁽³⁾ OJ L 267, 15.10.1999, p. 16.

⁽⁴⁾ OJ L 61, 7.3.1975, p. 25.

⁽⁵⁾ OJ L 35, 15.2.1995, p. 8.

COMMISSION REGULATION (EC) No 895/2000**of 28 April 2000****applying a reduction coefficient to refund certificates for goods not covered by Annex I to the Treaty, as provided for by Article 6b of Regulation (EC) No 1222/94**

THE COMMISSION OF THE EUROPEAN COMMUNITIES,

Having regard to the Treaty establishing the European Community,

Having regard to Council Regulation (EC) No 3448/93 of 6 December 1993 laying down the trade arrangements applicable to certain goods resulting from the processing of agricultural products ⁽¹⁾, as last amended by Commission Regulation (EC) No 2491/98 ⁽²⁾, and in particular the first subparagraph of Article 8(3) thereof,

Having regard to Commission Regulation (EC) No 1222/94 of 30 May 1994 laying down common detailed rules for the application of the system of 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 ⁽³⁾, as last amended by Regulation (EC) No 701/2000 ⁽⁴⁾, and in particular Article 6b(6) and (8) thereof,

Whereas:

- (1) The cumulated amounts of the refunds requested for the certificates already issued come to EUR 306 829 327. This sum, when added to the amounts for applications

made from 17 to 21 April 2000 and taken on an annual basis, might prevent the Commission from meeting its commitments under Article 6b(8) of Regulation (EC) No 1222/94.

- (2) A reduction coefficient calculated on the basis of Article 6b(3) and (4) should therefore be applied to amounts requested in the form of certificates during the above-mentioned week,

HAS ADOPTED THIS REGULATION:

Article 1

The amounts of certificates for applications lodged for the period from 17 to 21 April 2000 are subject to a reduction coefficient of 0,48.

Article 2

This Regulation shall enter into force on 1 May 2000.

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

Done at Brussels, 28 April 2000.

For the Commission

Erkki LIIKANEN

Member of the Commission

⁽¹⁾ OJ L 318, 20.12.1993, p. 18.

⁽²⁾ OJ L 309, 19.11.1998, p. 28.

⁽³⁾ OJ L 136, 31.5.1994, p. 5.

⁽⁴⁾ OJ L 83, 4.4.2000, p. 6.

**COMMISSION REGULATION (EC) No 896/2000
of 28 April 2000**

fixing the export refunds on rice and broken rice and suspending the issue of export licences

THE COMMISSION OF THE EUROPEAN COMMUNITIES,

Having regard to the Treaty establishing the European Community,

Having regard to Council Regulation (EC) No 3072/95 of 22 December 1995 on the common organisation of the market in rice ⁽¹⁾, as last amended by Regulation (EC) No 2072/98 ⁽²⁾, and in particular the second subparagraph of Article 13(3) and (15) thereof,

Whereas:

(1) Article 13 of Regulation (EC) No 3072/95 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) Article 13(4) 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 rice and broken rice on the Community market on the one hand and prices for rice and broken rice on the world market on the other. The same Article provides that it is also important to ensure equilibrium and the natural development of prices and trade on the rice market and, furthermore, to take into account the economic aspect of the proposed exports and the need to avoid disturbances of the Community market with limits resulting from agreements concluded in accordance with Article 300 of the Treaty.

(3) Commission Regulation (EEC) No 1361/76 ⁽³⁾ lays down the maximum percentage of broken rice allowed in rice for which an export refund is fixed and specifies the percentage by which that refund is to be reduced where the proportion of broken rice in the rice exported exceeds that maximum.

(4) Export possibilities exist for a quantity of 3 328 tonnes of rice to certain destinations. The procedure laid down in Article 7(4) of Commission Regulation (EC) No 1162/95 ⁽⁴⁾, as last amended by Regulation (EC) No 1432/1999 ⁽⁵⁾ should be used. Account should be taken of this when the refunds are fixed.

(5) Article 13(5) of Regulation (EC) No 3072/95 defines the specific criteria to be taken into account when the export refund on rice and broken rice is being calculated.

(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) A separate refund should be fixed for packaged long grain rice to accommodate current demand for the product on certain markets.

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

(9) It follows from applying these rules and criteria to the present situation on the market in rice and in particular to quotations or prices for rice and broken rice within the Community and on the world market, that the refund should be fixed as set out in the Annex hereto.

(10) For the purposes of administering the volume restrictions resulting from Community commitments in the context of the WTO, the issue of export licences with advance fixing of the refund should be restricted.

(11) 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 of Regulation (EC) No 3072/95 with the exception of those listed in paragraph 1(c) of that Article, exported in the natural state, shall be as set out in the Annex hereto.

Article 2

With the exception of the quantity of 3 328 tonnes provided for in the Annex, the issue of export licences with advance fixing of the refund is suspended.

Article 3

This Regulation shall enter into force on 1 May 2000.

⁽¹⁾ OJ L 329, 30.12.1995, p. 18.

⁽²⁾ OJ L 265, 30.9.1998, p. 4.

⁽³⁾ OJ L 154, 15.6.1976, p. 11.

⁽⁴⁾ OJ L 117, 24.5.1995, p. 2.

⁽⁵⁾ OJ L 166, 1.7.1999, p. 56.

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

Done at Brussels, 28 April 2000.

For the Commission

Franz FISCHLER

Member of the Commission

ANNEX

to the Commission Regulation of 28 April 2000 fixing the export refunds on rice and broken rice and suspending, the issue of export licences

(EUR/t)			(EUR/t)		
Product code	Destination ⁽¹⁾	Amount of refunds	Product code	Destination ⁽¹⁾	Amount of refunds
1006 20 11 9000	01	116,00	1006 30 65 9900	01	145,00
1006 20 13 9000	01	116,00		04	151,00
1006 20 15 9000	01	116,00	1006 30 67 9100	05	151,00
1006 20 17 9000	—	—	1006 30 67 9900	—	—
1006 20 92 9000	01	116,00	1006 30 92 9100	01	145,00
1006 20 94 9000	01	116,00		02	151,00 ⁽²⁾
1006 20 96 9000	01	116,00		03	156,00 ⁽²⁾
1006 20 98 9000	—	—		04	151,00
1006 30 21 9000	01	116,00		05	151,00
1006 30 23 9000	01	116,00	1006 30 92 9900	01	145,00
1006 30 25 9000	01	116,00		04	151,00
1006 30 27 9000	—	—	1006 30 94 9100	01	145,00
1006 30 42 9000	01	116,00		02	151,00 ⁽²⁾
1006 30 44 9000	01	116,00		03	156,00 ⁽²⁾
1006 30 46 9000	01	116,00		04	151,00
1006 30 48 9000	—	—		05	151,00
1006 30 61 9100	01	145,00	1006 30 94 9900	01	145,00
	02	151,00 ⁽²⁾		04	151,00
	03	156,00 ⁽²⁾	1006 30 96 9100	01	145,00
	04	151,00		02	151,00 ⁽²⁾
	05	151,00		03	156,00 ⁽²⁾
1006 30 61 9900	01	145,00		04	151,00
	04	151,00		05	151,00
1006 30 63 9100	01	145,00	1006 30 96 9900	01	145,00
	02	151,00 ⁽²⁾		04	151,00
	03	156,00 ⁽²⁾	1006 30 98 9100	05	151,00
	04	151,00	1006 30 98 9900	—	—
	05	151,00	1006 40 00 9000	—	—
1006 30 63 9900	01	145,00			
	04	151,00			
1006 30 65 9100	01	145,00			
	02	151,00 ⁽²⁾			
	03	156,00 ⁽²⁾			
	04	151,00			
	05	151,00			

⁽¹⁾ The destinations are identified as follows:

01 Liechtenstein, Switzerland, the communes of Livigno and Campione d'Italia, refunds fixed under the procedure laid down in Article 7(4) of Regulation (EC) No 1162/95 in respect of a total quantity of 899 t of wholly milled rice equivalent,

02 Zones I, II, III, VI, excluding Turkey,

03 Zones IV, V, VII (c), Canada and Zone VIII excluding Suriname, Guyana and Madagascar,

04 Destinations mentioned in Article 34 of amended Commission Regulation (EEC) No 3665/87, refunds fixed under the procedure laid down in Article 7(4) of Regulation (EC) No 1162/95 in respect of a total quantity of 800 t,

05 Ceuta and Melilla, refunds fixed under the procedure laid down in Article 7(4) of Regulation (EC) No 1162/95 in respect of a total quantity of 86 t.

⁽²⁾ For rice of destinations 02 and 03, refunds fixed under the procedure laid down in Article 7(4) of Regulation (EC) No 1162/95 in respect of a total quantity of 1 543 t.

NB: The zones are those defined in the Annex to amended Commission Regulation (EEC) No 2145/92.

COMMISSION REGULATION (EC) No 897/2000
of 28 April 2000
amending Regulation (EC) No 658/96 on certain conditions for granting compensatory payments
under the support system for producers of certain arable crops

THE COMMISSION OF THE EUROPEAN COMMUNITIES,

Having regard to the Treaty establishing the European Community,

Having regard to Council Regulation (EEC) No 1765/92 of 30 June 1992 establishing a support system for producers of certain arable crops ⁽¹⁾, as last amended by Regulation (EC) No 1624/98 ⁽²⁾, and in particular Article 11(1) thereof,

Whereas:

- (1) Commission Regulation (EC) No 658/96 ⁽³⁾, as last amended by Regulation (EC) No 610/1999 ⁽⁴⁾, restricts the producers of rapeseed eligible for the compensatory payments to those producers sowing seed of specified qualities and varieties.
- (2) Additional varieties of rapeseed which meet the eligibility criteria are now also available to producers. These varieties should also be added to the list.
- (3) The measures provided for in this Regulation are in accordance with the opinion of the Joint Meeting of Management Committees for Cereals, Oils and Fats and Dried Fodder,

HAS ADOPTED THIS REGULATION:

Article 1

The following varieties shall be added to the list in Annex II to Regulation (EC) No 658/96:

‘Agat, Agenda, Ankla, Calisto, Canasta, Canberra, Catinka, Cohort, Complice, Corinto, CSH 11, CSH 20, CSHP 003, CSHP 005, Danisco, Duet, Ebonite, Ethno, Fortress, Futuris, Glen, H5, H6, ISH 95/1, ISH97-1 P(Mistral), ISL 97.2P, Jura, Kapitan, Kimber, Kumbre, Kvintett, Lara, Licondor, Licongo, Life, Lipan, Lutin, Madras, Max, Minerva, Mistral, Mozart, Olindigo, Olivia, Orlando, Parade, Passat, Pastell, Pegasus, PF 7410/94, Plenty, Pluchino, Pyramid, Roller, RPGP 720-27, Samsine, SH 96017, SPE 420, Status, Talent, Tenor, Tornado, Tosca, Toucan, Tradition, Tuli, Turner, VDH 9041-97, VDH 9043-97, Walker’

Article 2

This Regulation shall enter into force on the 20th day following its publication in the *Official Journal of the European Communities*.

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

Done at Brussels, 28 April 2000.

For the Commission

Franz FISCHLER

Member of the Commission

⁽¹⁾ OJ L 181, 1.7.1992, p. 12.

⁽²⁾ OJ L 210, 28.7.1998, p. 3.

⁽³⁾ OJ L 91, 12.4.1996, p. 46.

⁽⁴⁾ OJ L 75, 20.3.1999, p. 24.

COMMISSION REGULATION (EC) No 898/2000**of 28 April 2000****determining the extent to which applications lodged in April 2000 for import licences for certain poultrymeat products under the regime provided for in Council Regulation (EC) No 774/94 opening and providing for the administration of certain Community tariff quotas for poultrymeat and certain other agricultural products can be accepted**

THE COMMISSION OF THE EUROPEAN COMMUNITIES,

Having regard to the Treaty establishing the European Community,

Having regard to Commission Regulation (EC) No 1431/94 of 22 June 1994, laying down detailed rules for the application in the poultrymeat sector of the import arrangements provided for in Council Regulation (EC) No 774/94 opening and providing for the administration of certain Community tariff quotas for poultrymeat and certain other agricultural products ⁽¹⁾, as last amended by Regulation (EC) No 2719/1999 ⁽²⁾, and in particular Article 4(4) thereof,

Whereas:

The applications for import licences lodged for the period 1 April to 30 June 2000 are greater than the quantities available

and must therefore be reduced by a fixed percentage to ensure a fair distribution,

HAS ADOPTED THIS REGULATION:

Article 1

Applications for import licences for the period 1 April to 30 June 2000 submitted under Regulation (EC) No 1431/94 shall be met as referred to in the Annex.

Article 2

This Regulation shall enter into force on 29 April 2000.

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

Done at Brussels, 28 April 2000.

For the Commission

Franz FISCHLER

Member of the Commission

⁽¹⁾ OJ L 156, 23.6.1994, p. 9.

⁽²⁾ OJ L 327, 21.12.1999, p. 48.

ANNEX

Group No	Percentage of acceptance of import certificates submitted for the period 1 April to 30 June 2000
1	1,79
2	1,75
3	1,94
4	100,00
5	2,31

COMMISSION REGULATION (EC) No 899/2000**of 28 April 2000****determining the extent to which applications lodged in April 2000 for import licences for certain poultrymeat sector products pursuant to Regulation (EC) No 509/97 can be accepted**

THE COMMISSION OF THE EUROPEAN COMMUNITIES,

Having regard to the Treaty establishing the European Community,

Having regard to Commission Regulation (EC) No 509/97 of 20 March 1997 laying down procedures for applying in the poultrymeat sector the Interim Agreement on trade and accompanying measures between the European Community, the European Coal and Steel Community and the European Atomic Energy Community, of the one part, and the Republic of Slovenia, of the other part ⁽¹⁾, as amended by Regulation (EC) No 1514/97 ⁽²⁾, and in particular Article 4(5) thereof,

Whereas:

- (1) The applications for import licences lodged for the second quarter of 2000 are for quantities less than the quantities available and can therefore be met in full;

- (2) The surplus to be added to the quantity available for the following period should be determined,

HAS ADOPTED THIS REGULATION:

Article 1

1. Applications for import licences for the period 1 April to 30 June 2000 submitted pursuant to Regulation (EC) No 509/97 shall be met as referred to in Annex I.
2. During the first 10 days of the period 1 July to 30 September 2000 applications may be lodged pursuant to Regulation (EC) No 509/97 for import licences for the total quantities as referred to in Annex II.

Article 2

This Regulation shall enter into force on 29 April 2000.

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

Done at Brussels, 28 April 2000.

For the Commission

Franz FISCHLER

Member of the Commission

⁽¹⁾ OJ L 80, 21.3.1997, p. 3.

⁽²⁾ OJ L 204, 31.7.1997, p. 16.

ANNEX I

Group No	Percentage of acceptance of import licences submitted for the period 1 April to 30 June 2000
80	100,00
90	76,92
100	100,00

ANNEX II

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Group No	Available quantities for the period 1 July to 30 September 2000
80	1 002,00
90	326,00
100	903,90

COMMISSION REGULATION (EC) No 900/2000**of 28 April 2000****determining the extent to which applications lodged in April 2000 for licences for certain eggs and poultrymeat products under the regime provided for by the Interim Agreements concluded by the Community with the Republic of Poland, the Republic of Hungary, the Czech Republic, Slovakia, Romania and Bulgaria can be accepted**

THE COMMISSION OF THE EUROPEAN COMMUNITIES,

Having regard to the Treaty establishing the European Community,

Having regard to Commission Regulation (EC) No 1899/97, of 29 September 1997, setting rules of application in the poultrymeat and egg sectors for the arrangements covered by Council Regulation (EC) No 3066/95 and repealing Regulations (EEC) No 2699/93 and (EC) No 1559/94 ⁽¹⁾, as amended by Regulation (EC) No 2719/98 ⁽²⁾ and in particular Article 4(5) thereof, Whereas:

The applications for import licences lodged for the second quarter of 2000 are, in the case of some products, for quantities less than or equal to the quantities available and can therefore be met in full, but in the case of other products the

said applications are for quantities greater than the quantities available and must therefore be reduced by a fixed percentage to ensure a fair distribution,

HAS ADOPTED THIS REGULATION:

Article 1

Applications for import licences for the period 1 April to 30 June 2000 submitted under Regulation (EC) No 1899/97 shall be met as referred to in the Annex.

Article 2

This Regulation shall enter into force on 29 April 2000.

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

Done at Brussels, 28 April 2000.

For the Commission

Franz FISCHLER

Member of the Commission

⁽¹⁾ OJ L 267, 30.9.1997, p. 67.

⁽²⁾ OJ L 342, 17.12.1998, p. 16.

ANNEX

Group No	Percentage of acceptance of import licences submitted for the period 1 April to 30 June 2000
1	3,58
2	3,68
4	100,00
7	2,07
8	3,68
9	1,92
10	100,00
11	—
44	3,13
45	100,00
12	100,00
14	—
15	50,00
16	2,30
17	—
18	—
19	100,00
21	100,00
23	100,00
24	4,93
25	100,00
26	100,00
27	—
28	—
30	—
32	—
33	—
34	—
35	—
36	—
37	5,59
38	100,00
39	—
40	—
43	—

COMMISSION REGULATION (EC) No 901/2000**of 28 April 2000****determining the extent to which applications lodged in April 2000 for import licences for certain egg sector products and poultrymeat pursuant to Regulations (EC) No 1474/95 and (EC) No 1251/96 can be accepted**

THE COMMISSION OF THE EUROPEAN COMMUNITIES,

Having regard to the Treaty establishing the European Community,

Having regard to Commission Regulation (EC) No 1474/95 ⁽¹⁾ opening and providing for the administration of the tariff quotas in the egg sector and for egg albumin, as last amended by Regulation (EC) No 1323/1999 ⁽²⁾, and in particular Article 5(5) thereof,

Having regard to Commission Regulation (EC) No 1251/96 of 28 June 1996 opening and providing for the administration of tariff quotas in the poultrymeat sector and albumin ⁽³⁾, as last amended by Regulation (EC) No 1327/1999 ⁽⁴⁾ and in particular Article 5(5) thereof,

Whereas:

The applications for import licences lodged for the second quarter of 2000 are, in the case of certain products, for quantities less than or equal to the quantities available and can

therefore be met in full, but in the case of other products the said applications are for quantities greater than the quantities available and must therefore be reduced by a fixed percentage to ensure a fair distribution,

HAS ADOPTED THIS REGULATION:

Article 1

Applications for import licences for the period 1 April to 30 June 2000 submitted pursuant to Regulations (EC) No 1474/95 and (EC) No 1251/96 shall be met as referred to in the Annex.

Article 2

This Regulation shall enter into force on 29 April 2000.

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

Done at Brussels, 28 April 2000.

For the Commission

Franz FISCHLER

Member of the Commission

⁽¹⁾ OJ L 145, 29.6.1995, p. 19.

⁽²⁾ OJ L 157, 24.6.1999, p. 29.

⁽³⁾ OJ L 161, 29.6.1996, p. 136.

⁽⁴⁾ OJ L 157, 24.6.1999, p. 37.

ANNEX

Group No	Percentage of acceptance of import licences submitted for the period 1 April to 30 June 2000
E1	100,00
E2	99,04
E3	100,00
P1	100,00
P2	100,00
P3	2,70
P4	4,27

COMMISSION REGULATION (EC) No 902/2000
of 28 April 2000
amending the corrective amount applicable to the refund on cereals

THE COMMISSION OF THE EUROPEAN COMMUNITIES,

Having regard to the Treaty establishing the European Community,

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

Whereas:

- (1) The corrective amount applicable to the refund on cereals was fixed by Commission Regulation (EC) No 770/2000 ⁽³⁾, as amended by Regulation (EC) No 843/2000 ⁽⁴⁾.
- (2) On the basis of today's cif prices and cif forward delivery prices, taking foreseeable developments on the market into account, the corrective amount at present applicable to the refund on cereals should be altered.

- (3) The corrective amount must be fixed according to the same procedure as the refund. It may be altered in the period between fixings,

HAS ADOPTED THIS REGULATION:

Article 1

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

Article 2

This Regulation shall enter into force on 1 May 2000.

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

Done at Brussels, 28 April 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 94, 14.4.2000, p. 24.

⁽⁴⁾ OJ L 102, 27.4.2000, p. 46.

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to the Commission Regulation of 28 April 2000 amending the corrective amount applicable to the refund on cereals

(EUR/t)

Product code	Destination ⁽¹⁾	Current 5	1st period 6	2nd period 7	3rd period 8	4th period 9	5th period 10	6th period 11
1001 10 00 9200	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
1001 10 00 9400	01	0	0	0	-1,00	-2,00	—	—
1001 90 91 9000	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
1001 90 99 9000	03	0	-12,50	-20,00	-20,00	-20,00	-20,00	-20,00
	02	0	-12,50	-20,00	-20,00	-20,00	—	—
1002 00 00 9000	01	0	0	-50,00	-50,00	-50,00	—	—
1003 00 10 9000	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
1003 00 90 9000	01	0	-20,00	-20,00	-20,00	-20,00	—	—
1004 00 00 9200	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
1004 00 00 9400	01	0	0	-50,00	-50,00	-50,00	—	—
1005 10 90 9000	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
1005 90 00 9000	01	0	0	0	0	0	—	—
1007 00 90 9000	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
1008 20 00 9000	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
1101 00 11 9000	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
1101 00 15 9100	01	0	0	-27,40	-27,40	-27,40	—	—
1101 00 15 9130	01	0	0	-25,60	-25,60	-25,60	—	—
1101 00 15 9150	01	0	0	-23,60	-23,60	-23,60	—	—
1101 00 15 9170	01	0	0	-21,80	-21,80	-21,80	—	—
1101 00 15 9180	01	0	0	-20,40	-20,40	-20,40	—	—
1101 00 15 9190	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
1101 00 90 9000	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
1102 10 00 9500	01	0	0	-68,50	-68,50	-68,50	—	—
1102 10 00 9700	01	0	0	-54,00	-54,00	-54,00	—	—
1102 10 00 9900	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
1103 11 10 9200	01	0	0	0	-1,50	-3,00	—	—
1103 11 10 9400	01	0	0	0	-1,34	-2,68	—	—
1103 11 10 9900	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
1103 11 90 9200	01	0	0	0	-1,37	2,74	—	—
1103 11 90 9800	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—

⁽¹⁾ The destinations are identified as follows:

01 all third countries,

02 other third countries,

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

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

COMMISSION REGULATION (EC) No 903/2000
of 28 April 2000
altering the corrective amount applicable to the refund on malt

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(8) thereof,

Whereas:

- (1) The corrective amount applicable to the refund on malt was fixed by Commission Regulation (EC) No 2060/98 ⁽³⁾.
- (2) On the basis of today's cif prices and cif forward delivery prices, taking foreseeable developments on the market

into account, the corrective amount at present applicable to the refund on malt should be altered,

HAS ADOPTED THIS REGULATION:

Article 1

The corrective amount referred to in Article 13(4) of Regulation (EEC) No 1766/92 which is applicable to the export refunds fixed in advance in respect of the products referred to is hereby altered to the amount set out in the Annex hereto.

Article 2

This Regulation shall enter into force on 1 May 2000.

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

Done at Brussels, 28 April 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 264, 29.9.1998, p. 40.

ANNEX

to the Commission Regulation of 28 April 2000 amending the corrective amount applicable to the refund on malt

(EUR/t)

Product code	Current	1st period	2nd period	3rd period	4th period	5th period
1107 10 11 9000	0	0	0	0	0	0
1107 10 19 9000	0	0	0	-1,27	-2,54	0
1107 10 91 9000	0	0	0	0	0	0
1107 10 99 9000	0	0	0	-1,27	-2,54	0
1107 20 00 9000	0	0	0	-1,49	-2,98	0

(EUR/t)

Product code	6th period	7th period	8th period	9th period	10th period	11th period
1107 10 11 9000	0	0	0	0	0	0
1107 10 19 9000	0	0	0	0	0	0
1107 10 91 9000	0	0	0	0	0	0
1107 10 99 9000	0	0	0	0	0	0
1107 20 00 9000	0	0	0	0	0	0

II

(Acts whose publication is not obligatory)

COMMISSION

COMMISSION DECISION

of 7 April 2000

approving the programme concerning infectious haematopoietic necrosis and viral haemorrhagic septicaemia submitted by Italy for fish farms in the Udine province

(notified under document number C(2000) 920)

(Only the Italian text is authentic)

(Text with EEA relevance)

(2000/310/EC)

THE COMMISSION OF THE EUROPEAN COMMUNITIES,

Having regard to the Treaty establishing the European Community,

Having regard to Council Directive 91/67/EEC of 28 January 1991 concerning the animal health conditions governing the placing on the market of aquaculture animals and products ⁽¹⁾, as last amended by Directive 98/45/EC ⁽²⁾, and in particular Article 10(2) thereof,

Whereas:

- (1) Member States may submit to the Commission a programme designed to enable them to obtain the status of approval farm situated in a non-approved zone, with regard to certain diseases affecting fish.
- (2) Italy has submitted to the Commission a programme concerning infectious haematopoietic necrosis (IHN) and viral haemorrhagic septicaemia (VHS), with a view to obtaining the status of approved farm for five farms situated in the Udine province.
- (3) This programme specifies the geographical situation of the farm concerned, the measures to be taken by the official services, the procedures to be followed by the approved laboratories, the prevalence of the diseases concerned and the measures to combat these diseases where detected.
- (4) On scrutiny the programme has been found to comply with Article 10 of Directive 91/67/EEC.
- (5) The measures provided for in this Decision are in accordance with the opinion of the Standing Veterinary Committee,

HAS ADOPTED THIS DECISION:

Article 1

The control programme for IHN and VHS in five farms situated in the upper basin of the river Tagliamento in the Udine province, presented by Italy, is hereby approved.

⁽¹⁾ OJ L 46, 19.2.1991, p. 1.

⁽²⁾ OJ L 189, 3.7.1998, p. 12.

Article 2

Italy should bring into force the laws, regulations and administrative provisions necessary to comply with the programme referred to in Article 1.

Article 3

This Decision is addressed to the Italian Republic.

Done at Brussels, 7 April 2000.

For the Commission

David BYRNE

Member of the Commission

COMMISSION DECISION

of 7 April 2000

amending Decision 98/361/EC establishing the list of approved zones, with regard to infectious haematopoietic necrosis and viral haemorrhagic septicaemia in Spain*(notified under document number C(2000) 943)***(Text with EEA relevance)**

(2000/311/EC)

THE COMMISSION OF THE EUROPEAN COMMUNITIES,

Having regard to the Treaty establishing the European Community,

Having regard to Council Directive 91/67/EEC of 28 January 1991 concerning the animal health conditions governing the placing on the market of aquaculture animals and products ⁽¹⁾, as last amended by Directive 98/45/EC ⁽²⁾, and in particular Article 5(2) thereof,

Whereas:

- (1) Member States may obtain for one or more continental or coastal zones the status of approved zones free of infectious haematopoietic necrosis (IHN) and viral haemorrhagic septicaemia (VHS).
- (2) The status of approved continental zone and approved coastal zone in respect of IHN and VHS was granted to certain catchment areas and coastal areas in Spain, by Commission Decision 98/361/EC ⁽³⁾, as last amended by Decision 2000/187/EC ⁽⁴⁾.
- (3) Spain has submitted to the Commission evidence in support of granting the status of approved zone for certain other catchment areas in the Autonomous Region of Cantabria in respect of IHN and VHS, as well

as the national provisions ensuring compliance with the rules on maintenance of approval.

- (4) Scrutiny of this information allows this status to be granted for these catchment areas.
- (5) The measures provided for in this Decision are in accordance with the opinion of the Standing Veterinary Committee,

HAS ADOPTED THIS DECISION:

Article 1

The Annex to Decision 98/361/EC is replaced by the Annex hereto.

Article 2

This Decision is addressed to the Member States.

Done at Brussels, 7 April 2000.

For the Commission

David BYRNE

Member of the Commission⁽¹⁾ OJ L 46, 19.2.1991, p. 1.⁽²⁾ OJ L 189, 3.7.1998, p. 12.⁽³⁾ OJ L 163, 6.6.1998, p. 46.⁽⁴⁾ OJ L 59, 4.3.2000, p. 14.

ANNEX

A. LIST OF APPROVED ZONES WITH REGARD TO IHN AND VHS IN SPAIN

I. REGION: AUTONOMOUS COMMUNITY OF ASTURIAS

1. **Continental zones**

All water catchment areas of Asturias, excluding the river Eo

2. **Coastal zones**

The entire coast of Asturias

II. REGION: GALICIA

1. **Continental zones**

The water catchment areas of Galicia:

- including the water catchment areas of the river Eo, the river Sil from its source in the province of León, the river Miño from its source to the barrier of Frieir, and the river Limia from its source to the barrier Das Conchas,
- excluding the water catchment area of the river Tamega.

2. **Coastal zones**

The coastal area in Galicia from the mouth of the river Eo (Isla Pancha) to the Cabo Silliero of the Ría de Vigo;

The coastal area from Cabo Silliero to the Punta Picos (mouth of the river Miño) is considered as a buffer zone.

III. REGION: AUTONOMOUS COMMUNITY OF ARAGÓN

Continental zones

- River Aragón from its source to the barrier of Caparroso in the municipality of Navarra,
- River Gállego from its source to the barrier of Ardisa,
- River Sotón from its source to the barrier of Sotonera,
- River Isuela from its source to the barrier of Arguis,
- River Flúmen from its source to the barrier of Santa María de Belsue,
- River Guatizalema from its source to the barrier of Vadiello,
- River Cinca from its source to barrier of Grado,
- River Esera from its source to the barrier of Barasona,
- River Noguera-Ribagorzana from its source to the barrier of Santa Ana,
- River Huecha from its source to the dam of Alcalá de Moncayo,
- River Jalón from its source to the dam of Alagón,
- River Huerva from its source to barrier of Mezalocha,
- River Aguasvivas from its source to the barrier of Moneva,
- River Martín from its source to the barrier of Cueva Foradada,
- River Ecuriza from its source to the barrier of Ecuriza,
- River Guadalope from its source to the barrier of Caspe,
- River Matarraña from its source to the barrier of Aguas de Pena,

- River Pena from its source to the barrier of Pena,
- River Guadalaviar-Turia from its source to the barrier of the Generalísimo in the Province of Valencia,
- River Mijares from its source to the barrier of Arenós in the Province of Castellon.

The other watercourses of the Comunidad de Aragón and the river Ebro along its course in the said Comunidad are considered as a buffer zone.

IV. REGION: AUTONOMOUS COMMUNITY OF NAVARRA

Continental zones:

- River Bidasoa from its source to its mouth,
- River Leizarán from its source to the barrier of Leizarán (Muga),
- River Arakil-Arga from its source to the barrier of Falces,
- River Ega from its source to the barrier of Allo,
- River Aragón from its source in the Province of Huesca (Aragón) to the barrier of Caparroso (Navarra).

The other watercourses of the Comunidad de Navarra and the river Ebro along its course through the said Comunidad are considered as a buffer zone.

V. REGION: AUTONOMOUS COMMUNITY OF CASTILLA AND LEÓN

Continental zones

- River Duero from its source to the barrier of Aldéavila,
- River Ebro from its source in the region of Cantabria to the barrier of Sobrón,
- River Queiles from its source to the barrier of los Fayos,
- River Tiétar from its source to the barrier of Rosarito,
- River Alberche from its source to the barrier of Burguillo.

The other watercourses of the region of Castilla and León are considered as a buffer zone.

VI. REGION: AUTONOMOUS COMMUNITY OF CANTABRIA

1. Continental zones

The water catchment areas of the following rivers from their source to the sea:

- River Deva,
- River Nansa,
- River Saja-Besaya,
- River Pas-Pisveña,
- River Ansón,
- River Agüera.

The water catchment areas of the rivers Gandarillas, Escudo, Miera y Campiazo are considered as a buffer zone.

2. Coastal zones

The entire coast of Cantabria from the mouth of the river Deva to the creek of Ontón.

B. LIST OF APPROVED FARMS WITH REGARD TO IHN AND VHS IN SPAIN

REGION: AUTONOMOUS COMMUNITY OF ARAGÓN

- Truchas del Prado located in Alcalá de Ebro, Province of Zaragoza (Aragón).

COMMISSION DECISION
of 7 April 2000
approving the programme concerning infectious haematopoietic necrosis and viral haemorrhagic
septicaemia submitted by Germany

(notified under document number C(2000) 996)

(Only the German text is authentic)

(Text with EEA relevance)

(2000/312/EC)

THE COMMISSION OF THE EUROPEAN COMMUNITIES,

Having regard to the Treaty establishing the European Community,

Having regard to Council Directive 91/67/EEC of 28 January 1991 concerning the animal health conditions governing the placing on the market of aquaculture animals and products ⁽¹⁾, as last amended by Directive 98/45/EC ⁽²⁾, and in particular Article 10(2) thereof,

Whereas:

- (1) Member States may submit to the Commission a programme designed to enable them to obtain the status of approved zone with regard to certain diseases affecting fish.
- (2) Germany has submitted to the Commission a programme concerning infectious haematopoietic necrosis (IHN) and viral haemorrhagic septicaemia (VHS), with a view to obtaining the status of approved zone for water catchment areas situated in Baden-Württemberg and Bavaria.
- (3) This programme specifies the geographical situation of the zones concerned, the measures to be taken by the official services, the procedures to be followed by the approved laboratories, the prevalence of the diseases concerned and the measures to combat these diseases where detected.
- (4) On scrutiny the programme has been found to comply for certain zones with Article 10 of Directive 91/67/EEC.
- (5) The measures provided for in this Decision are in accordance with the opinion of the Standing Veterinary Committee,

HAS ADOPTED THIS DECISION:

Article 1

The control programme for IHN and VHS for the following zones, presented by the Federal Republic of Germany, is hereby approved:

- a zone in the water catchment area 'Wolfegger Aach und Rohrsee',
- a zone in the water catchment area 'Obern Nagold',
- the zone 'Große Lauter' in the water catchment area of the Danube.

Article 2

The Federal Republic of Germany shall bring into force the laws, regulations and administrative provisions necessary to comply with the programme referred to in Article 1.

Article 3

This Decision is addressed to the Federal Republic of Germany.

Done at Brussels, 7 April 2000.

For the Commission

David BYRNE

Member of the Commission

⁽¹⁾ OJ L 46, 19.2.1991, p. 1.
⁽²⁾ OJ L 189, 3.7.1998, p. 12.

COMMISSION DECISION
of 18 April 2000
amending for the second time Decision 1999/549/EC concerning certain protective measures
relating to Newcastle disease in Australia

(notified under document number C(2000) 1033)

(Text with EEA relevance)

(2000/313/EC)

THE COMMISSION OF THE EUROPEAN COMMUNITIES,

Having regard to the Treaty establishing the European Community,

Having regard to Council Directive 97/78/EC of 18 December 1997 laying down the principles governing the organisation of veterinary checks on products entering the Community from third countries ⁽¹⁾, and in particular Article 22 paragraph 6 thereof,

Having regard to Council Directive 91/496/EEC of 15 July 1991 laying down the principles governing the organisation of veterinary checks on animals entering the Community from third countries and amending Directives 89/662/EEC, 90/425/EEC and 90/675/EEC ⁽²⁾, as last amended by Council Directive 96/43/EC ⁽³⁾, and in particular Article 18 paragraph 7 thereof,

Whereas:

- (1) Due to outbreaks of Newcastle disease in the State of New South Wales in Australia the Commission adopted on 19 July 1999 Decision 1999/549/EC ⁽⁴⁾, which suspended the importation of live birds, hatching eggs, fresh meat of poultry and farmed and wild feathered game meat from the said region until 1 December 1999.
- (2) Due to further occurrence of Newcastle disease in the Sydney area of the State of New South Wales and awaiting the results of a serological survey, which should have given a clearer picture on the disease situation the Commission adopted on 30 of November 1999 Decision 1999/868/EC amending Decision 1999/549/EC concerning certain protective measures relating to Newcastle disease in Australia ⁽⁵⁾, which prolonged the protective measures until 1 May 2000.
- (3) By Commission Decision 1999/868/EC the region subject to protective measures was reduced to the eastern part of the State of New South Wales.

- (4) During early 2000 further outbreaks have occurred within the area covered by the established protective measures.
- (5) Australia has not applied a stamping out policy in relation to some outbreaks and has commenced a vaccination programme.
- (6) It is necessary in the light of the disease evolution to prolong the established protective measures.
- (7) The protective measures shall be in place until a clear picture has been obtained of the disease situation and the Newcastle disease control measures enforced in New South Wales.
- (8) The measures provided for in this Decision are in accordance with the opinion of the Standing Veterinary Committee,

HAS ADOPTED THIS DECISION:

Article 1

In Article 5 of Decision 1999/549/EC the date of '1 May 2000' is replaced by the date '1 November 2000'.

Article 2

This Decision is addressed to the Member States.

Done at Brussels, 18 April 2000.

For the Commission

David BYRNE

Member of the Commission

⁽¹⁾ OJ L 24, 31.1.1998, p. 9.

⁽²⁾ OJ L 268, 24.9.1991, p. 56.

⁽³⁾ OJ L 162, 1.7.1996, p. 1.

⁽⁴⁾ OJ L 209, 7.8.1999, p. 36.

⁽⁵⁾ OJ L 334, 28.12.1999, p. 51.

COMMISSION DECISION

of 28 April 2000

on the clearance of the accounts of Member States' expenditure financed by the European Agricultural Guidance and Guarantee Fund (EAGGF), Guarantee Section, for the 1999 financial year*(notified under document number C(2000) 1077)*

(2000/314/EC)

THE COMMISSION OF THE EUROPEAN COMMUNITIES,

Having regard to the Treaty establishing the European Community,

Having regard to Council Regulation (EEC) No 729/70 of 21 April 1970 on the financing of the common agricultural policy ⁽¹⁾, as last amended by Regulation (EC) No 1287/95 ⁽²⁾, and in particular Article 5(2)(b) thereof,

After consulting the Fund Committee,

Whereas:

- (1) Under Article 5(2)(b) of Regulation (EEC) No 729/70, the Commission, on the basis of the annual accounts submitted by the Member States, accompanied by the information required for clearance and a certificate regarding the veracity, completeness, and accuracy of the accounts transmitted clears the accounts of the paying agencies referred to in Article 4(1) of that Regulation.
- (2) With regard to Article 7(1) of Commission Regulation (EC) No 296/96 of 16 February 1996 on data to be transmitted by the Member States and the monthly booking of expenditure financed under the Guarantee Section of the European Agricultural Guidance and Guarantee Fund (EAGGF) and laying down certain detailed rules of application for Council Regulation (EC) No 1259/1999 ⁽³⁾, as last amended by Regulation (EC) No 2761/1999 ⁽⁴⁾, account is taken for the 1999 financial year of expenditure incurred by the Member States between 16 October 1998 and 15 October 1999.
- (3) The time limits granted to the Member States for the submission to the Commission of the documents referred to in Article 5(1)(b) of Regulation (EEC) No 729/70 and in Article 4(1), (3) and (4) of Commission Regulation (EC) No 1663/95 of 7 July 1995 laying down detailed rules for the application of Council Regulation (EEC) No 729/70 regarding the procedure for the clearance of accounts of the EAGGF Guarantee Section ⁽⁵⁾, as last amended by Regulation (EC) No 2245/1999 ⁽⁶⁾, have expired.
- (4) The Commission has checked the information submitted and communicated to the Member States before the 31

March 2000 the results of its verifications with the necessary amendments.

- (5) Under the first subparagraph of Article 7(1) of Regulation (EC) No 1663/95, the accounts clearance decision referred to in Article 5(2)(b) of Regulation (EEC) No 729/70 must determine, without prejudice to decisions taken subsequently in accordance with paragraph 2(c) of that Article, the amount of expenditure effected in each Member State during the financial year in question recognised as being chargeable to the EAGGF Guarantee Section, on the basis of the accounts referred to in Article 5(1)(b) of the abovementioned Regulation and the reductions and suspensions of advances for the financial year concerned, including the reductions referred to in the second subparagraph of Article 4(3) of Regulation (EC) No 296/96. Under Article 102 of the Financial Regulation of 21 December 1977 ⁽⁷⁾, as last amended by Regulation (EC, ECSC, Euratom) No 2673/1999 ⁽⁸⁾, the outcome of the clearance decision, that is to say, any discrepancy which may occur between the total expenditure booked to the accounts for a financial year pursuant to Articles 100 and 101 and the total expenditure taken into consideration by the Commission in this Decision, is to be booked, under a single article, as additional expenditure or a reduction in expenditure.
- (6) For all paying agencies, the annual accounts and the accompanying documents permit the Commission to take a decision on the completeness, accuracy and veracity of the accounts submitted; Annex I lists the amounts cleared for each paying agency.
- (7) Article 4(2) of Regulation (EC) No 296/96, in liaison with Article 13 of Council Decision 94/729/EC of 31 October 1994 on budgetary discipline ⁽⁹⁾, lays down that advances against booking are to be reduced for expenditure effected by the Member States after the limits or deadlines laid down; however, pursuant to Article 4(3) of Regulation (EC) No 296/96, any overrun of deadlines during September and October are to be taken into account in the accounts clearance decision except where noted before the last decision of the financial year relating to advances; part of the expenditure

⁽¹⁾ OJ L 94, 28.4.1970, p. 13.⁽²⁾ OJ L 125, 8.6.1995, p. 1.⁽³⁾ OJ L 39, 17.2.1996, p. 5.⁽⁴⁾ OJ L 331, 23.12.1999, p. 57.⁽⁵⁾ OJ L 158, 8.7.1995, p. 6.⁽⁶⁾ OJ L 273, 23.10.1999, p. 5.⁽⁷⁾ OJ L 356, 31.12.1977, p. 1.⁽⁸⁾ OJ L 326, 18.12.1999, p. 1.⁽⁹⁾ OJ L 293, 12.11.1994, p. 14.

claimed by certain Member States during the above-mentioned period and for the measures for which the Commission did not accept any extenuating circumstances was effected after the limits or deadlines laid down; this Decision should therefore lay down the relevant reductions; a decision will be taken at a later date, in accordance with Article 5(2)(c) of Regulation (EEC) No 729/70, definitively fixing the expenditure for which Community financing will not be granted regarding those reductions and any other expenditure which may be found to have been effected after the limits or deadlines laid down.

- (8) The Commission, in accordance with Article 13 of Decision No 94/729/EC and Article 4(2) of Regulation (EC) No 296/96, reduced or suspended a number of monthly advances on entry into the accounts of expenditure for the 1999 financial year and proceeds in this Decision to the reductions laid down in Article 4(3) of the above regulation; in the light of the above, to avoid any premature or even only temporary reimbursement of the amounts in question, they should not be recognised in this Decision, without prejudice to further examination according to Article 5(2)(c) of Regulation (EEC) No 729/70.
- (9) The second subparagraph of Article 7(1) of Regulation (EC) No 1663/95, lays down that the amounts that, in accordance with the accounts clearance decision referred to in the first subparagraph, are recoverable from, or payable to each Member State shall be determined by deducting advances paid during the financial year in question, i.e. 1999, from expenditure recognised for that year in accordance with the first subparagraph. Such amounts are to be deducted from, or added to, advances against expenditure from the second month following that in which the accounts clearance decision is taken;

annex II lists the amounts cleared for each Member State.

- (10) In accordance with the final subparagraph of Article 5(2)(b) of Regulation (EEC) No 729/70 and Article 7(1) of Regulation (EC) No 1663/95, this Decision, adopted on the basis of accounting information, does not prejudice decisions taken subsequently by the Commission excluding from Community financing expenditure not effected in accordance with Community rules,

HAS ADOPTED THIS DECISION:

Article 1

The accounts of the paying agencies of the Member States concerning expenditure financed by the EAGGF Guarantee Section in respect of the 1999 financial year are hereby cleared as shown in Annex I.

Article 2

The amounts which are recoverable from or payable to, each Member State in accordance with the present clearance of accounts are determined in Annex II of the present Decision.

Article 3

This Decision is addressed to the Member States.

Done at Brussels, 28 April 2000.

For the Commission

Franz FISCHLER

Member of the Commission

ANNEX I

CLEARANCE OF THE PAYING AGENCIES ACCOUNTS — FINANCIAL YEAR 1999

List of Paying Agencies for which the accounts are cleared

Member State	Paying Agency	Amounts cleared (in national currency)
AT	AMA	10 692 007 938,31
	BMLF Abt. VI B 8 (Wein)	4 123 753,62
	ZA Salzburg	919 710 251,00
BE	BIRB	29 328 001 103,00
	Ministerie van Landbouw — DG3	11 072 379 498,00
	Région wallonne	52 360 645,00
	Vlaamse Gemeenschap	12 989 646,00
DE	BLE	1 686 793 510,35
	Hamburg-Jonas	1 533 642 359,87
	Baden-Württemberg	601 052 416,43
	Bayern, Landwirtschaft	1 582 075 007,60
	Bayern, Umwelt	13 186 423,97
	Berlin	3 780 076,09
	Brandenburg	671 131 068,97
	Bremen	2 451 197,87
	Hamburg	5 877 933,94
	Hessen	339 149 021,13
	Mecklenburg-Vorpommern	742 691 106,82
	Niedersachsen	1 089 589 430,75
	Nordrhein-Westfalen LfEJ	20 765 929,22
	Nordrhein-Westfalen LfA	4 253 947,39
	Nordrhein-Westfalen LWK Münster	493 180 901,17
	Nordrhein-Westfalen LWK Bonn	171 499 959,01
	Rheinland-Pfalz	242 053 791,64
	Saarland	25 166 033,69
	Sachsen	545 626 231,43
	Sachsen-Anhalt	661 816 501,67
	Schleswig-Holstein	482 900 173,36
	Thüringen	470 234 438,61
	<i>B1-370 clearance</i>	– 60 651 224,57
DK	EU-Direktoratet	9 362 588 459,20
	<i>B1-370 clearance</i>	– 1 592 109,03
ES	FEGA	112 515 166 368,00
	FROM	49 918 793,00
	Andalucía	268 215 637 220,00
	Aragón	62 994 399 984,00
	Asturias	6 685 872 512,00
	Baleares	2 489 546 817,00
	Canarias	20 921 940 206,00
	Cantabria	3 243 002 399,00
	Castilla-La Mancha	114 381 121 144,00
	Castilla-León	121 793 921 819,00
	Cataluña	38 414 832 604,00
	Extremadura	71 866 068 500,00
	Galicia	13 484 731 356,00
	La Rioja	4 184 345 018,00
	Madrid	5 872 145 172,00
	Murcia	16 647 784 697,00

Member State	Paying Agency	Amounts cleared (in national currency)
FI FR	Navarra	16 317 505 395,00
	País Vasco	5 659 028 438,00
	Valencia	21 744 274 034,00
	<i>B1-370 clearance</i>	- 35 163 541 407,00
	MMM	3 327 791 927,98
	CNASEA	1 172 483 055,35
	OFIMER	60 998 774,61
	FIRS	4 086 624 904,95
	ODEADOM	605 060 809,43
	OFIVAL	5 011 239 879,70
	ONIC	29 527 106 589,21
	ONIFLHOR	1 624 034 626,77
	ONILAIT	5 553 419 492,49
	ONIOL	4 045 720 327,50
	ONIVINS	335 382 503,37
GR IE IT LU NL PT SE UK	SAV	612 997 910,78
	ACCT	4 695 864 072,62
	SIDO	5 322 775 771,43
	<i>B1-370 clearance</i>	- 705 823 892,76
	GEDIDAGEP	871 970 549 877,00
	<i>B1-370 clearance</i>	- 254 898 128,00
	DAF	1 323 437 786,75
	DMNR	33 620 759,38
	AIMA	8 869 004 170 203,00
	DCCC	664 008 072 728,00
	ENR	181 528 429 731,00
	Ministère de l'agriculture	938 384 770,00
	DLG	14 485 996,07
	HPA	928 468 553,18
	LASER	603 544 559,40
NL PT SE UK	MVO	2 103,28
	PT	105 520 509,34
	PVVE	220 963 075,04
	PViVi	244 082,31
	PZ	1 037 945 303,12
	LEF	- 43 577 062,71
	INGA	108 413 043 460,00
	Ifadap	23 838 814 074,00
	<i>B1-370 clearance</i>	- 262 241 300,00
	SJV	6 770 614 230,87
	CCW	1 562 224,41
	DANI	152 340 902,12
	FC	12 134 169,39
	IBEA	593 223 742,11
	MAFF	1 392 815 850,59
	SERAD	357 364 350,42
	WALES	189 442 772,33

The amount 'B1-370 clearance' is mentioned only if it was not included in the declaration initially sent in by the Member State.

ANNEX II

CLEARANCE OF THE PAYING AGENCIES' ACCOUNTS — FINANCIAL YEAR 1999

Amount to be recovered from or paid to the Member State

Member State	1998 — Expenditure for the paying agencies for which the accounts are		Total a + b	Reductions and suspensions for the whole financial year	Total including reductions and suspensions	Advances paid to the Member States for the financial year	Amount to be recovered from (–) or paid to (+) the Member State
	cleared	disjoined					
	expenditure declared in the annual declaration	total of the expenditure in the monthly declarations					
	a	b	c = a + b	d	e = c + d	f	g = e – f
AT	11 615 841 942,93	0,00	11 615 841 942,93	0,00	11 615 841 942,93	11 615 841 942,93	0,00
BE	40 465 730 892,00	0,00	40 465 730 892,00	0,00	40 465 730 892,00	40 462 047 050,00	3 683 842,00
DE	11 328 266 236,41	0,00	11 328 266 236,41	0,00	11 328 266 236,41	11 328 917 721,78	– 651 485,37
DK	9 360 996 350,17	0,00	9 360 996 350,17	– 223 591,31	9 360 772 758,86	9 360 772 758,86	0,00
ES	872 317 701 069,00	0,00	872 317 701 069,00	– 1 222 441 188,00	871 095 259 881,00	871 362 594 830,00	– 267 334 949,00
FI	3 327 791 927,98	0,00	3 327 791 927,98	0,00	3 327 791 927,98	3 327 798 356,83	– 6 428,85
FR	61 947 884 825,45	0,00	61 947 884 825,45	– 22 098 248,40	61 925 786 577,05	61 926 473 910,88	– 687 333,83
GR	871 715 651 749,00	0,00	871 715 651 749,00	– 35 550 772 338,00	836 164 879 411,00	836 594 879 411,00	– 430 000 000,00
IE	1 357 058 546,13	0,00	1 357 058 546,13	– 1 111 110,95	1 355 947 435,18	1 357 152 662,31	– 1 205 227,13
IT	9 714 540 672 662,00	0,00	9 714 540 672 662,00	– 646 920 927 042,91	9 067 619 745 619,09	9 043 474 557 274,00	24 145 188 345,09
LU	938 384 770,00	0,00	938 384 770,00	0,00	938 384 770,00	938 384 770,00	0,00
NL	2 867 597 119,03	0,00	2 867 597 119,03	– 61 005,05	2 867 536 113,98	2 868 060 324,94	– 524 210,96
PT	131 989 616 234,00	0,00	131 989 616 234,00	– 1 107 457 580,00	130 882 158 654,00	130 977 798 473,00	– 95 639 819,00
SE	6 770 614 230,87	0,00	6 770 614 230,87	10 716,00	6 770 624 946,87	6 770 624 946,87	0,00
UK	2 698 884 011,37	0,00	2 698 884 011,37	– 453 341,95	2 698 430 669,42	2 699 757 343,17	– 1 326 673,75

(¹) For the calculation of the amount to be recovered from or paid to the Member State the amount taken into account is the total of the annual declaration for the expenditure cleared (column a) or, the total of the monthly declarations for the expenditure disjoined (column b).

(²) The reductions and suspensions are those taken into account in the advance system, to which are added in particular the corrections for the non-compliance with payment deadlines established in September and October 1999.

COMMISSION DECISION

of 28 April 2000

terminating the review investigation, pursuant to Article 12 of Council Regulation (EC) No 384/96, of the anti-dumping measures applicable to imports of stainless steel fasteners and parts thereof originating in Malaysia and Thailand

(notified under document number C(2000) 1132)

(2000/315/EC)

THE COMMISSION OF THE EUROPEAN COMMUNITIES,

Having regard to the Treaty establishing the European Community,

Having regard to Council Regulation (EC) No 384/96 of 22 December 1995 on protection against dumped imports from countries not members of the European Community ⁽¹⁾, as last amended by Council Regulation (EC) No 905/98 ⁽²⁾, and in particular Articles 9 and 12 thereof,

After consulting the Advisory Committee,

Whereas:

pursuant to Article 12 of the basic Regulation concerning imports into the Community of stainless steel fasteners and parts thereof, currently classifiable within CN codes 7318 12 10, 7318 14 10, 7318 15 30, 7318 15 51, 7318 15 61, 7318 15 70 and 7318 16 30 and originating in Malaysia and Thailand.

- (5) The Commission officially advised the exporting producers known to be concerned, the representatives of the exporting country and the complainant Community producers. Interested parties were given the opportunity to make their views known in writing and to request a hearing within the time limit set out in the notice of initiation.

A. PROCEDURE

- (1) On 22 March 1999, the Commission received a request pursuant to Article 12 of Regulation (EC) No 384/96 to investigate whether the anti-dumping duties imposed by Council Regulation (EC) No 393/98 ⁽³⁾ on imports of stainless steel fasteners and parts thereof originating in Malaysia and Thailand have had effects on resale prices or subsequent selling prices in the Community.
- (2) The request was lodged by the European Industrial Fasteners Institute (EIFI), on behalf of Community producers representing a major proportion of the total Community production of stainless steel fasteners and parts thereof pursuant to Articles 4(1) and 5(4) of Regulation (EC) No 384/96 (hereinafter referred to as the 'basic Regulation').
- (3) The request contained prima facie information showing that the anti-dumping duties imposed on the product under investigation originating in Malaysia and Thailand have led to no movement, or insufficient movement, in resale prices or subsequent selling prices in the Community, and that this indicated that the anti-dumping duties have been borne, wholly or partly, by the respective producers/exporters, which was considered sufficient to justify the initiation of a review proceeding.
- (4) The Commission, after consultation, by a notice published in the *Official Journal of the European Communities* ⁽⁴⁾, accordingly initiated a review investigation

B. WITHDRAWAL OF THE REQUEST AND TERMINATION OF THE INVESTIGATION

- (6) By a letter of 12 January 2000 to the Commission, the European Industrial Fasteners Institute (EIFI) formally withdrew its review request concerning imports of stainless steel fasteners and parts thereof originating in Malaysia and Thailand, in view of the current market situation.
- (7) In cases where the Community industry withdraws its request for a review, the proceeding may be terminated unless such termination would not be in the Community interest.
- (8) The Commission considered that the present investigation should be terminated since it had not brought to light any considerations showing that such termination would not be in the Community interest. Interested parties were informed accordingly and were given the opportunity to comment. No comments were received in reply, indicating that such a termination would not be contrary to the Community interest.
- (9) The Commission therefore concludes that the review investigation pursuant to Article 12 of the basic Regulation concerning imports into the Community of stainless steel fasteners and parts thereof originating in Malaysia and Thailand should be terminated,

⁽¹⁾ OJ L 56, 6.3.1996, p. 1.

⁽²⁾ OJ L 128, 30.4.1998, p. 18.

⁽³⁾ OJ L 50, 20.2.1998, p. 1; corrigendum: OJ L 148, 19.5.1998, p. 48.

⁽⁴⁾ OJ C 125, 6.5.1999, p. 12.

HAS DECIDED AS FOLLOWS:

Sole Article

The review investigation pursuant to Article 12 of Regulation (EC) No 384/96 concerning imports of stainless steel fasteners and parts thereof, currently classifiable within CN codes 7318 12 10, 7318 14 10, 7318 15 30, 7318 15 51, 7318 15 61, 7318 15 70 and 7318 16 30 and originating in Malaysia and Thailand, is hereby terminated.

Done at Brussels, 28 April 2000.

For the Commission

Pascal LAMY

Member of the Commission

CORRIGENDA**Corrigendum to Council Directive 1999/29/EC of 22 April 1999 on the undesirable substances and products in animal nutrition**

(Official Journal of the European Communities L 115 of 4 May 1999)

On page 45, in Part A of Annex III, in the right-hand column of the table, the words: 'only concerning references made to the provisions of Directive 74/63/EEC in Article 11(1)', shall appear opposite 'Council Directive 93/74/EEC' in the left-hand column.

Corrigendum to Directive 1999/103/EC of the European Parliament and of the Council of 24 January 2000 amending Council Directive 80/181/EEC on the approximation of the laws of the Member States relating to units of measurement

(Official Journal of the European Communities L 34 of 9 February 2000)

On page 18, in Article 1(3)(c), in the table, in the column headed 'Symbol':

for: 'K',

read: 'k';

and

for: 'H',

read: 'h'.

Corrigendum to Commission Directive 2000/1/EC of 14 January 2000 adapting to technical progress Council Directive 89/173/EEC as regards certain components and characteristics of wheeled agricultural or forestry tractors

(Official Journal of the European Communities L 21 of 26 January 2000)

On page 22, the Annex, point 4, the second formula:

for: $F = \sqrt{F_h^2 + F_v^2}$,

read: $F = \sqrt{F_h^2 + F_v^2}$.
