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**REGULATION (EC) No 1726/2000 OF THE EUROPEAN PARLIAMENT AND OF THE COUNCIL
of 29 June 2000
on development cooperation with South Africa**

THE EUROPEAN PARLIAMENT AND THE COUNCIL OF THE EUROPEAN UNION,

Having regard to the Treaty establishing the European Community, and in particular Article 179 thereof,

Having regard to the proposal from the Commission ⁽¹⁾,

Acting in accordance with the procedure laid down in Article 251 of the Treaty ⁽²⁾,

Whereas:

- (1) Since the elections of April 1994 and the establishment of a democratic government, the Community has turned towards a strategy of support for the policies and reforms undertaken by the South African authorities.
- (2) The Council adopted Regulation (EC) No 2259/96 of 22 November 1996 on development cooperation with South Africa ⁽³⁾; that Regulation expired on 31 December 1999.
- (3) The Agreement on trade, development and cooperation between the European Community and the Republic of South Africa stipulates in Chapter VII thereof that financial assistance in the form of grants is to be covered by a special financial facility established under the Community budget, that the Community declares its willingness to maintain its financial cooperation with South Africa at a substantial level, and that it will take the necessary decisions in this respect on the basis of a proposal by the Commission.
- (4) The abovementioned Agreement contains in Chapter V thereof provisions on aims, priorities, methods and implementation of development cooperation with South Africa.
- (5) In the light of the implementation of Council Regulation (EC) No 2259/96 and of Special Report No 7/98 of the Court of Auditors in respect of the European

Community development aid programme regarding South Africa (1986 to 1996), development cooperation with South Africa should be continued subject to adaptations, in particular as regards simplification of procedures, greater focus on sectoral priorities and decentralised decision-making.

- (6) Assistance provided under this Regulation should be implemented in coherence with actions of other donors, including multilateral institutions.
- (7) The measures necessary for the implementation of this Regulation should be adopted in accordance with Council Decision 1999/468/EC of 28 June 1999 laying down the procedures for the exercise of implementing powers conferred on the Commission ⁽⁴⁾.
- (8) This Regulation lays down, for the entire duration of the programme, a financial framework constituting the principal point of reference, within the meaning of point 33 of the Interinstitutional Agreement between the European Parliament, the Council and the Commission of 6 May 1999 on budgetary discipline and improvement of the budgetary procedure ⁽⁵⁾, for the budgetary authority during the annual budgetary procedure.
- (9) Council Regulation (EC, Euratom) No 2988/95 of 18 December 1995 on the protection of the European Communities' financial interests ⁽⁶⁾ establishes a common legal framework in all fields related to the Communities' own resources and expenditure.
- (10) Council Regulation (EC, Euratom) No 2185/96 of 11 November 1996 concerning on-the-spot checks and inspections carried out by the Commission in order to protect the European Communities' financial interests against fraud and other irregularities ⁽⁷⁾ applies to all areas of the Communities' activity without prejudice to the provisions of the Community rules specific to the different policy areas,

⁽¹⁾ OJ C 21E, 25.1.2000, p. 1.

⁽²⁾ Opinion of the European Parliament of 5 May 1999 (OJ C 279, 1.10.1999, p. 192), Council Common Position of 28 February 2000 (OJ C 128, 8.5.2000, p. 51) and Decision of the European Parliament of 16 May 2000 (not yet published in the Official Journal). Decision of the Council of 13 June 2000.

⁽³⁾ OJ L 306, 28.11.1996, p. 5.

⁽⁴⁾ OJ L 184, 17.7.1999, p. 23.

⁽⁵⁾ OJ C 172, 18.6.1999, p. 1.

⁽⁶⁾ OJ L 312, 23.12.1995, p. 1.

⁽⁷⁾ OJ L 292, 15.11.1996, p. 2.

HAVE ADOPTED THIS REGULATION:

Article 1

Aims

The Community shall implement financial and technical cooperation with South Africa to support the policies and reforms carried out by the South African authorities in a context of policy dialogue and partnership.

The aim of the Community cooperation programme, entitled the 'European Programme for Reconstruction and Development in South Africa' (EPRD), shall be to contribute to South Africa's harmonious and sustainable economic and social development, through programmes and measures designed to reduce poverty and encourage economic growth which benefits the poor, and to its continued integration into the world economy, and to consolidate the foundations laid for a democratic society and a State governed by the rule of law in which human rights and fundamental freedoms are fully respected.

This will be achieved through support for international targets and policies for sustainable development based on UN conventions and resolutions, thereby contributing to the target of reducing by at least one half the proportion of people living in extreme poverty by 2015.

Article 2

Areas of cooperation

1. Programmes shall focus on the fight against poverty, take into account the needs of the previously disadvantaged communities and integrate gender and environmental dimensions of development. In all these programmes special attention shall be paid to the strengthening of institutional capacities.

2. Development cooperation to be carried out under this Regulation will focus mainly on:

- (a) support for policies, instruments and programmes aiming at the continued integration of the South African economy into the world economy and trade, for employment creation, development of the private sector, regional cooperation and integration. In this latter context, special attention will be given to providing support for the adjustment efforts occasioned in the region by the establishment of the free-trade area under the Trade, Development and Cooperation Agreement, especially in the Southern African Customs Union. Promotion of mutual general interest cooperation between the European Union and South African businesses may also be considered;
- (b) improvement of living conditions and delivery of basic social services;
- (c) support to democratisation, the protection of human rights, sound public management, the strengthening of local governments and the involvement of civil society in the development process.

3. Dialogue and partnership between public authorities and non-governmental development partners and actors will be promoted.

Article 3

Eligibility of cooperation partners

Cooperation partners eligible for financial assistance under this Regulation shall be national, provincial and local authorities and public bodies, non-governmental organisations and community-based organisations, regional and international organisations, institutions and public or private operators. Any other body may be eligible if so designated by both parties.

Article 4

Means, expenses, information on the programme and coordination

1. The means that may be deployed under the cooperation operations referred to in Article 2 shall include in particular studies, technical assistance, training or other services, supplies and works, and also evaluation and monitoring audits and missions.

2. Community financing in local or foreign currency, depending on the needs and nature of the operation, may cover:

- (a) government budget expenditures to support reforms and policy implementation in the priority sectors identified through a policy dialogue, using the most appropriate instruments including the form of direct targeted budget support in specific sectors where appropriate conditions (e.g. accountability for, and transparency of, the government budget, sound procurement procedures) are met;
- (b) investment and equipment;
- (c) in duly justified cases, and in particular where a programme is implemented by a non-government partner, taking into account the fact that the programme has to aim as much as possible at long term sustainability, recurrent expenditure (including administrative, maintenance and operating costs).

Part of the financing may be channelled towards targeted final beneficiaries (e.g. emerging entrepreneurs) through specialised financial institutions, including the European Investment Bank, in the form of risk capital or other instruments. The resources made available under this Regulation shall not be used in a manner that will permit unfair competition.

3. A financial contribution from the partners referred to in Article 3 shall in principle be required for each cooperation operation. That contribution will be requested in accordance with the possibilities of the partners concerned and depending on the nature of each operation. It shall be sought in particular in cases where a project is designed as a start-up for an open-ended activity, in order to ensure the sustainability of such projects after Community funding has ceased. It may be in kind. In specific cases where the partner is either a non-governmental organisation or a community-based organisation, the contribution may not be required.

4. The Commission may take any appropriate step to ensure that the Community character of aid provided under this Regulation is made known.

5. Opportunities may be sought for potential co-financing and parallel financing with other donors, particularly the Member States.

6. In order to achieve the objectives of coherence and complementarity referred to in the Treaty and with the aim of guaranteeing optimal effectiveness of the aid, the Commission shall take all necessary coordination measures, notably:

- (a) the establishment of a system for the systematic exchange of information on actions financed or planned to be financed by the Community, the Member States and the EIB;
- (b) on-the-spot coordination of these actions by means of regular meetings and exchange of information between the representatives of the Commission and the Member States in the beneficiary country.

7. The Commission, in liaison with the Member States, will seek to take any steps necessary to ensure adequate coordination with other donors concerned and to encourage an increasingly active role of the beneficiary country in the aid coordination process.

Article 5

Form of financial support

Financial support under this Regulation shall take the form of grants.

Article 6

Programming

1. Triennial indicative programming shall be carried out in the context of close contacts with the South African Government and taking account of the results of the coordination referred to in Article 4(6) and (7). The indicative programming process will fully respect the principle of recipient-led programming.

2. In order to prepare for each programming exercise, in the context of increased coordination with the Member States, including on the spot, the Commission shall draw up a Country Strategy Paper in dialogue with the South African government. This Country Strategy Paper shall take into account the results of the most recent overall evaluation of operations financed under Regulation (EC) No 2259/96 and under this Regulation and of other regular evaluations of operations. It will be linked to a problem-oriented analysis, and integrate cross-cutting issues such as poverty reduction, gender equality, environment and sustainability. A draft of the Triennial Indicative Programme will be annexed to the Country Strategy Paper. A limited number of sectors of cooperation based on the areas identified in Article 2 of this Regulation will be selected. For these sectors, modalities and accompanying measures will be set out. As far as possible performance indicators will be developed in order to facilitate the implementation of the objectives and its evaluation of impact.

The Country Strategy Paper and the draft Triennial Indicative Programme will be examined by the Committee referred to in Article 8(1), hereafter referred to as the 'Committee'.

The Committee shall give its opinion in accordance with the procedure in Article 8(2).

3. The Triennial Indicative Programme, will be negotiated and signed by the Commission and the South African Government. The final result of the negotiations will be sent to the Committee for information. If requested by one or more Committee members, this document will be discussed by the Committee.

4. The Committee shall once a year review the functioning, results and continued relevance of the Country Strategy Paper and the Triennial Indicative Programme. If evaluations or other relevant developments so indicate, the Committee may invite the Commission to negotiate with the South African Government amendments to the Triennial Indicative Programme.

5. The Committee shall once a year, on the basis of a presentation by the Commission, discuss the general guidelines for the operations to be carried out in the year ahead.

Article 7

Procedures

1. The Commission shall be responsible for appraising, taking decisions on and managing operations conducted under this Regulation, in accordance with the budgetary and other procedures in force, notably those laid down in the Financial Regulation applicable to the general budget of the European Union.

2. In the specific case of contribution of the EPRD to regional programmes in the Southern African Development Community area financed from the European Development Fund, this contribution may be utilised following Lomé Convention modalities, provided that the provisions of the Financial Regulation applicable to the general budget of the European Union are respected.

3. In order to ensure transparency and achievement of the objectives referred to in Article 4(6), the Commission shall forward project information sheets to the Member States and their local representatives for all projects as soon as the decision to appraise them has been taken. The Commission shall subsequently update the project information sheets and forward them to the Member States.

4. All financing agreements or contracts concluded under this Regulation shall provide for on-the-spot checks by the Commission and the Court of Auditors in accordance with the usual arrangements established by the Commission pursuant to the rules in force, in particular those laid down in the Financial Regulations applicable to the general budget of the European Union.

The measures taken by the Commission in accordance with the procedure set out in Article 8 shall provide for adequate protection of the financial interests of the Community in conformity with Regulation (EC, Euratom) No 2988/95.

5. Where operations give rise to financing agreements between the Community and South Africa, such agreements shall stipulate that taxes, duties and charges shall not be borne by the Community.

6. Participation in invitations to tender and contracts shall be open on equal terms to all natural and legal persons in the Member States, South Africa and the other ACP States. Participation may be extended to include other countries in duly substantiated cases and in order to ensure the best cost-effectiveness ratio.

7. Supplies shall originate in the Member States, South Africa or the other ACP States. In duly substantiated exceptional cases, they may originate in other countries.

8. Except as otherwise indicated in this Regulation, contracts shall be signed by the South African Government. In addition, if a contract is not covered by a financing agreement, the contract shall be concluded by the Commission.

Article 8

Committee

1. The Commission shall be assisted as appropriate by the geographically-determined committee competent for development.

2. Where reference is made to this paragraph, Articles 4 and 7 of Decision 1999/468/EC shall apply, having regard to Article 8 thereof.

The period referred to in Article 4(3) of Decision 1999/468/EC shall be set at one month.

3. The Committee shall adopt its rules of procedure.

4. In the case of programmes approved by the Committee and financed through tranches relating to more than one budget year, the Commission shall take on a yearly basis subsequent financing decisions, not exceeding the determined maximum expenditure for the approved programme and within the limits of the financial resources made available by the budgetary authority, without further communication to the Committee.

5. The procedure defined in this Article shall apply to financing decisions which the Commission intends to take concerning projects and programmes of a value of over EUR 5 million. It shall also apply to any adjustment of such an operation involving an increase of more than 20 % in the amount initially agreed, and proposals arising for substantive amendments in the execution of a project for which a commitment has already been made.

6. The Commission shall inform the Committee succinctly of financing decisions it intends to take concerning projects and programmes of a value up to EUR 5 million. Such information shall be given at least one week before the decision is taken.

Article 9

Monitoring and evaluation

1. After each financial year the Commission shall submit an annual report on implementation of this Regulation to the European Parliament and the Council. The report shall set out

the budget turnout with regard to commitments and payments and the projects and programmes financed in the course of the year. It shall contain statistics on contracts awarded for implementing projects and programmes.

In addition the Commission shall monitor progress against each operation's objectives in terms of outputs and outcomes, using objectively verifiable indicators.

2. The Commission shall regularly evaluate operations financed by the Community to determine whether those operations' objectives have been reached and to establish guidelines for improving the effectiveness of future operations. The Commission shall submit to the Committee referred to in Article 8(1) a summary of the evaluations made. The evaluation reports shall be available to any Member State, to the European Parliament and to other interested parties.

3. The Commission shall submit to the European Parliament and the Council a mid-term review by 31 October 2003 at the latest and an overall evaluation of the programme prior to the expiry of this Regulation.

The mid-term review will bear on results of the first Triennial Programme (2000 to 2002) implemented under this Regulation. If necessary, the Commission will propose amendments to this Regulation, taking into account the implications for South Africa of the new ACP/EU arrangements.

The overall evaluation will make suggestions for the continuation of development cooperation with South Africa.

Article 10

Financial reference amount

1. The financial framework for the implementation of this Regulation for the period from 2000 to 2006 is hereby set at EUR 885,5 million.

The annual appropriations shall be authorised by the budgetary authority within the limits of the financial perspective.

2. Each year the budgetary description will fix a ceiling within the annual appropriation for technical assistance contracts to be concluded by the Commission for the carrying out of joint operations for the mutual benefit of the Community and of the beneficiary.

Article 11

Duration

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

It shall expire on 31 December 2006.

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

Done at Luxembourg, 29 June 2000.

For the European Parliament

The President

N. FONTAINE

For the Council

The President

M. MARQUES DA COSTA

COUNCIL REGULATION (EC) No 1727/2000**of 31 July 2000****establishing certain concessions in the form of Community tariff quotas for certain agricultural products and providing for an adjustment, as an autonomous and transitional measure, of certain agricultural concessions provided for in the Europe Agreement with Hungary**

THE COUNCIL OF THE EUROPEAN UNION,

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

Having regard to the proposal from the Commission,

Whereas:

(1) The Europe Agreement establishing an association between the European Communities and their Member States, of the one part, and the Republic of Hungary, of the other part ⁽¹⁾, provides for further concessions for certain agricultural products originating in Hungary.

(2) Improvements to the preferential agreements of the Europe Agreement with Hungary were provided for in the Protocol for the adaptation of the trade aspects of the Europe Agreement establishing an association between the European Communities and their Member States, of the one part, and the Republic of Hungary, of the other part, to take into account the accession of the Republic of Austria, the Republic of Finland and the Kingdom of Sweden to the European Union and the results of the agricultural negotiations of the Uruguay Round including the improvements of the existing preferential regime ⁽²⁾. The Council approved the abovementioned Protocol on behalf of the Community by Council Decision 1999/67/EC ⁽³⁾.

(3) In accordance with the directives adopted by the Council on 30 March 1999, the Commission and the Republic of Hungary concluded on 14 April 2000 negotiations on a new Additional Protocol to the Europe Agreement.

(4) The new Additional Protocol, which provides for additional agricultural concessions, will be based on Article 20(5) of the Europe Agreement, establishing that the Community and Hungary are to examine in the Association Council, product by product and on an orderly and reciprocal basis, the possibility of granting each other further concessions.

(5) A swift implementation of the adjustments forms an essential part of the results of the negotiations for the conclusion of a new Additional Protocol to the Europe Agreement with Hungary.

(6) It is therefore appropriate to provide for the adjustment, as an autonomous and transitional measure, of the agricultural concessions provided for in the Europe Agreement with Hungary.

(7) The Republic of Hungary will make all useful legislative provisions, on an autonomous and transitional basis, in order to enable a rapid and simultaneous implementation of the adaptation of the agricultural concessions of the Republic of Hungary provided for in the Europe Agreement.

(8) The measures necessary for the implementation of this Regulation should be adopted in accordance with Council Decision 1999/468/EC of 28 June 1999 laying down the procedures for the exercise of implementing powers conferred on the Commission ⁽⁴⁾.

(9) Commission Regulation (EC) No 2454/93 of 2 July 1993 laying down provisions for the implementation of Council Regulation (EEC) No 2913/92 establishing the Community Customs Code ⁽⁵⁾ codified the management rules for tariff quotas designed to be used following the chronological order of dates of customs declarations,

HAS ADOPTED THIS REGULATION:

Article 1

1. The arrangements for import into the Community applicable to certain agricultural products originating in Hungary as set out in Annex A(a) and A(b) to this Regulation shall replace those set out in Annex VIII to the Europe Agreement establishing an association between the European Communities and their Member States, of the one part, and the Republic of Hungary, of the other part.

2. On the entry into force of the new Additional Protocol adjusting the Europe Agreement referred to in paragraph 1, the concessions provided for in that Protocol shall replace those referred to in Annex A(a) and A(b) to this Regulation.

3. The Commission shall adopt detailed rules for the application of this Regulation in accordance with the procedure laid down in Article 2(2).

⁽¹⁾ OJ L 347, 31.12.1993, p. 2.

⁽²⁾ OJ L 28, 2.2.1999, p. 3.

⁽³⁾ OJ L 28, 2.2.1999, p. 1.

⁽⁴⁾ OJ L 184, 17.7.1999, p. 23.

⁽⁵⁾ OJ L 253, 11.10.1993, p.1. Regulation as last amended by Regulation (EC) No 1662/1999 (OJ L 197, 29.7.1999, p. 25).

Article 2

1. The Commission shall be assisted by the Committee instituted by Article 23 of Council Regulation (EC) No 1766/92 of 30 June 1992 on the common organisation of the market in cereals ⁽¹⁾ or, where appropriate, the committee instituted by the relevant provisions of the other Regulations on the common organisation of agricultural markets, hereinafter referred to as the 'Committee'.
2. Where reference is made to this paragraph, the procedure laid down in Articles 4 and 7 of Decision 1999/468/EC shall apply.
3. The period laid down in Article 4(3) of Decision 1999/468/EC shall be set at one month.
4. The Committee shall adopt its rules of procedure.
5. Tariff quotas with an order number above 09.5100 shall be administered by the Commission in accordance with

Articles 308a, 308b and 308c of Regulation (EEC) No 2454/93.

6. Quantities of goods subject to tariff quotas and released for free circulation as from 1 July 2000 under the concessions provided for in Annex VIII to the Europe Agreement in accordance with the provisions of Council Regulation (EC) No 3066/95 ⁽²⁾ before the entry into force of this Regulation shall be fully counted against the quantities provided for in Annex A(b) of this Regulation, except for quantities for which import licences have been issued before 1 July 2000.

Article 3

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

It shall apply from 1 July 2000.

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

Done at Brussels, 31 July 2000.

For the Council

The President

H. VÉDRINE

⁽¹⁾ OJ L 181, 1.7.1992, p. 21. Regulation as last amended by Regulation (EC) No 1253/1999 (OJ L 160, 26.6.1999, p. 18).

⁽²⁾ OJ L 328, 30.12.1995, p. 31. Regulation as last amended by Council Regulation (EC) No 2435/1998 (OJ L 303, 13.11.1998, p. 1).

ANNEX A(a)

Custom duties on imports applicable in the Community to products originating in Hungary and listed below shall be abolished

CN code ⁽¹⁾	CN code ⁽¹⁾	CN code ⁽¹⁾	CN code ⁽¹⁾	CN code ⁽¹⁾
0101 20 10	0604 10 90	0806 20 92	1209 29 80	1515 11 00
0104 20 10	0604 91 21	0806 20 98	1209 30 00	1515 19 10
0105 11 11	0604 91 29	0808 20 90	1209 91 10	1515 19 90
0105 11 19	0604 91 41	0810 40 30	1209 91 90	1515 21 10
0105 11 91	0604 91 49	0810 40 50	1209 99 91	1515 21 90
0105 11 99	0604 91 90	0810 40 90	1209 99 99	1515 29 10
0105 12 00	0604 99 90	0810 50 00	1210 10 00	1515 29 90
0105 19 20		0810 90 85	1210 20 10	1515 30 90
0105 19 90	0701 10 00	0811 90 70	1210 20 90	1515 50 11
0106 00 10	0703 10 90	0811 90 85	1211 90 30	1515 50 19
0106 00 20	0703 20 00	0812 10 00	1212 10 10	1515 50 91
	0703 90 00	0812 90 40	1212 10 99	1515 50 99
0205 00 11	0708 10 00	0812 90 50	1214 90 10	1515 90 29
0205 00 19	0709 51 30	0812 90 60		1515 90 39
0205 00 90	0709 51 50	0812 90 70	1302 19 05	1515 90 40
0207 13 91	0709 51 90	0812 90 95		1515 90 51
0207 14 91	0709 52 00	0813 10 00	1502 00 90	1515 90 59
0207 26 91	0709 60 10	0813 20 00	1503 00 19	1515 90 60
0207 27 91	0709 90 31	0813 30 00	1503 00 90	1515 90 91
0207 35 91	0709 90 40	0813 40 10	1504 10 10	1515 90 99
0207 36 89	0709 90 50	0813 40 30	1504 10 99	1516 20 95
0208 10 11	0710 80 59	0813 40 95	1504 20 10	1516 20 96
0208 10 19	0711 10 00	0813 50 12	1504 30 10	1516 20 98
0208 20 00	0711 30 00	0813 50 15	1508 10 90	1518 00 31
0208 90 10	0712 20 00	0813 50 19	1508 90 10	1522 00 91
0208 90 50	0712 90 50	0813 50 31	1508 90 90	
0208 90 60	0712 90 90	0813 50 39	1511 10 90	1602 31 11
0208 90 80	0713 50 00	0813 50 91	1511 90 11	1602 31 19
0210 90 10	0713 90 10	0813 50 99	1511 90 19	1602 31 30
0210 90 79	0713 90 90	0814 00 00	1511 90 91	1602 31 90
	0714 20 10		1511 90 99	
0407 00 11	0714 20 90	0904 12 00	1513 11 10	2008 19 11
0407 00 19	0714 20 90	0905 00 00	1513 11 91	2008 19 13
0410 00 00	0714 90 90	0907 00 00	1513 11 99	2008 19 51
		0910 20 90	1513 19 11	2008 19 59
0602 10 90	0802 11 90	0910 40 13	1513 19 19	2008 92 72
0602 20 90	0802 12 90	0910 40 19	1513 19 30	
0602 30 00	0802 21 00	0910 40 90	1513 19 91	2302 50 00
0602 40 10	0802 22 00		1513 19 99	2306 90 19
0602 40 90	0802 31 00	1006 10 10	1513 21 11	2308 90 90
0602 90 10	0802 32 00		1513 21 19	2309 10 51
0602 90 30	0802 40 00	1106 10 00	1513 21 30	2309 10 90
0602 90 41	0802 50 00	1106 30 90	1513 21 90	2309 90 10
0602 90 45	0802 90 50		1513 29 11	2309 90 31
0602 90 49	0802 90 60	1208 10 00	1513 29 19	2309 90 41
0602 90 51	0802 90 85	1209 11 00	1513 29 30	2309 90 51
0602 90 59	0806 20 11	1209 19 00	1513 29 50	2309 90 93
0602 90 70	0806 20 12	1209 21 00	1513 29 91	2309 90 95
0602 90 91	0806 20 18	1209 23 80		
0602 90 99	0806 20 91	1209 29 50	1513 29 99	2309 90 97

⁽¹⁾ As defined in Commission Regulation (EC) No 2204/1999 of 12 October 1999 amending Annex I to Council Regulation (EEC) No 2658/87 on the tariff and statistical nomenclature and on the Common Customs Tariff (OJ L 278, 28.10.1999, P. 1).

ANNEX A(b)

Imports into the Community of the following products originating in Hungary shall be subject to the concessions set out below

(MFN = Most Favoured Nation duty)

Order No	CN code	Description ⁽¹⁾	Applicable duty (% of MFN) ⁽²⁾	Annual quantity from 1.7.2000 to 30.6.2001 (tonnes)	Yearly increase as from 1.7.2001 (tonnes)	Specific provisions
	0101 19 90	Live horses, other than for slaughter	67	Unlimited		
09.4598	0102 90 05	Live bovine animals of a live weight not exceeding 80kg	20	178 000 head	0	⁽³⁾
09.4537	0102 90 21 0102 90 29 0102 90 41 0102 90 49	Live bovine animals of a live weight exceeding 80 kg but not exceeding 300 kg	20	153 000 head	0	⁽³⁾
09.4563	ex 0102 90	Heifers and cows not for slaughter of the following mountain breeds: grey, brown, yellow, spotted Simmental and Pinzgau	6 % <i>ad valorem</i>	7 000 head	0	⁽⁴⁾
09.4575	0104 10 30 0104 10 80 0104 20 10 0104 20 90 0204	Live sheep or goats Meat of sheep or goats	free	14 125	1 415	⁽⁵⁾
09.4707	0201 0202	Meat of bovines, fresh, chilled or frozen	20	11 375	1 140	
09.4708	ex 0203	Meat of domestic swine, fresh, chilled or frozen	free	40 000	4 000	⁽⁶⁾ ⁽⁹⁾
	0206 80 91 0206 90 91	Edible offal of horses, asses, mules and hinnies	50	Unlimited		
09.5701	0207 11 30 0207 11 90 0207 12 0207 13 50 0207 14 50 0207 13 60 0207 14 60	Chicken carcasses Breasts of chicken Legs of chicken	free	28 000	2 800	⁽⁹⁾
09.5703	0207 13 10 0207 14 10	Boneless cuts of chicken	free	15 000	1 500	⁽⁹⁾

Order No	CN code	Description ⁽¹⁾	Applicable duty (% of MFN) ⁽²⁾	Annual quantity from 1.7.2000 to 30.6.2001 (tonnes)	Yearly increase as from 1.7.2001 (tonnes)	Specific provisions
09.5709	0207 26 10 0207 27 10	Boneless cuts of turkey	free	9 000	900	⁽⁹⁾
09.5711	0207 26 50 0207 27 50	Breasts of turkey	free	3 500	350	⁽⁹⁾
09.5713	0207 32 11 0207 32 15 0207 32 19 0207 33 11 0207 33 19 ex 0207 35 15 ex 0207 36 15 ex 0207 35 53 ex 0207 36 53 ex 0207 35 63 ex 0207 36 63 ex 0207 35 79 ex 0207 36 79	Ducks Cuts of ducks, boneless Breasts and cuts thereof of ducks, with bone-in Legs and cuts thereof of ducks, with bone-in Breasts and cuts thereof of ducks, the ribs of which have been partially or completely removed	free	16 500	1 650	⁽⁹⁾
09.5301	0207 32 51 0207 32 59 0207 33 51 0207 33 59 0207 35 11 0207 35 23 0207 35 51 0207 35 61 0207 36 11 0207 36 23 0207 36 51 0207 36 61 ex 0207 35 31 ex 0207 36 31 ex 0207 35 41 ex 0207 36 41 ex 0207 35 71 ex 0207 36 71 ex 0207 35 79 ex 0207 36 79	Geese Whole wings of geese, with or without tips Backs, necks, backs with necks attached, rumps and wing tips of geese Paletots of geese Breasts and cuts thereof of geese, the ribs of which have been partially or completely removed	free	27 000	2 700	⁽⁹⁾
09.4704	0210 11 11 0210 12 11 0210 19 40 0210 19 51	Meat of domestic swine, salted or in brine	free	1 000	100	⁽⁹⁾
09.5501	ex 0210 90 29 ex 0210 90 80	Poultry, dried or smoked	free	2 000	200	⁽⁹⁾

Order No	CN code	Description ⁽¹⁾	Applicable duty (% of MFN) ⁽²⁾	Annual quantity from 1.7.2000 to 30.6.2001 (tonnes)	Yearly increase as from 1.7.2001 (tonnes)	Specific provisions
09.4731	0402 10	Milk and cream in powder or solid form, fat content < 1,5 %	free	375	40	
09.4733	0406	Cheese and curd	free	3 500	350	⁽⁹⁾
09.4716	0407 00 30	Eggs of poultry in shell, not for hatching	20	2 625	265	
09.4717	0408 91 80	Eggs, dried, for human consumption	20	625	65	
	0409 00 00	Natural honey	60	Unlimited		
	0603 90 00	Cut flowers, not fresh	35	Unlimited		
09.5503	ex 0702 00 00	Tomatoes, from 1 to 31 October	20	250	25	⁽⁸⁾
09.5105	0703 10 11 0703 10 19	Onions	free	58 500	5 850	
09.5557	0704 90 10 ex 0704 90 90	White cabbages and red cabbages Chinese cabbages from 1 to 31 July	20	2 125	215	
09.5507	0706 90 90	Other edible roots	free	1 125	115	
	0706 90 30	Horse-radish	47	Unlimited		
09.5127	ex 0707 00 05	Cucumbers, from 1 November to 15 May	20	250	25	⁽⁸⁾
	ex 0707 00 05	Cucumbers, from 16 May to 31 October	80	Unlimited		⁽⁸⁾
09.5509	0709 20 00	Asparagus	free	3 000	300	
09.5133	0709 51 10	Mushrooms of the genus <i>Agaricus</i>	20	8 000	800	
09.5141	0710 21 00	Peas, frozen	20	16 375	1 640	
09.5143	0710 22 00	Beans, frozen	20	6 750	675	
09.5145	0710 29 00	Other leguminous, frozen	20	2 625	265	
09.5563	0710 80 51	Sweet peppers, frozen	free	3 375	340	
09.5149	0710 80 85 0710 80 95	Asparagus and other vegetables, frozen	20	21 125	2 115	

Order No	CN code	Description ⁽¹⁾	Applicable duty (% of MFN) ⁽²⁾	Annual quantity from 1.7.2000 to 30.6.2001 (tonnes)	Yearly increase as from 1.7.2001 (tonnes)	Specific provisions
09.5151	0710 90 00	Mixtures of vegetables, frozen	20	4 750	475	
	0711 40 00	Cucumbers and gherkins, provisionally preserved	80	Unlimited		
	0711 90 10	Fruits of genus <i>Capsicum</i> and <i>Pimenta</i> , excluding sweet peppers, provisionally preserved	50	Unlimited		
09.5511	ex 0806 10 10	Table grapes from 15 July to 31 October	20	750	75	⁽⁸⁾
09.5571	0807 11 00 0807 19 00	Melons, including watermelons	free	9 875	990	
09.5157	0808 10 10	Cider apples	20	31 500	3 150	
09.5159	0808 10 20 0808 10 50 0808 10 90	Apples, other than cider apples	20	7 625	765	⁽⁸⁾
09.5513	0808 20	Pears and quinces	20	1 500	150	⁽⁸⁾
09.5161	0809 10	Apricots	20	5 250	525	⁽⁸⁾
	0809 20 05	Sour cherries	73	Unlimited		⁽⁸⁾
09.5515	ex 0809 20 95	Cherries other than sour cherries, from 1 May to 15 July	20	500	50	⁽⁸⁾
09.5163	0809 40 05	Plums	20	12 000	1 200	⁽⁸⁾
	0809 40 90	Sloes	47	Unlimited		
	0810 20 10 0810 30 10 0810 30 30 0810 30 90	Raspberries Blackcurrants Redcurrants Other berries	41 41 41 24	Unlimited		⁽⁷⁾
	0811 10 90 ex 0811 20 19 0811 20 31 0811 20 39 0811 20 51	Strawberries, frozen Raspberries, frozen, sugar content not more than 13 % by weight Raspberries, frozen Blackcurrants, frozen Redcurrants, frozen	36 34 39 28 33	Unlimited		⁽⁷⁾
09.5573	0812 90	Other fruits and nuts, provisionally preserved	free	1 000	100	
09.5575	0904 20 10 0904 20 39	Fruits of the genus <i>Capsicum</i> or <i>Pimenta</i> , neither crushed or ground	free	1 000	100	

Order No	CN code	Description ⁽¹⁾	Applicable duty (% of MFN) ⁽²⁾	Annual quantity from 1.7.2000 to 30.6.2001 (tonnes)	Yearly increase as from 1.7.2001 (tonnes)	Specific provisions
09.4718	ex 1001 10 00 ex 1001 90 99	Medium and high quality durum wheat and common wheat, as defined in Commission Regulation No 2519/98	free	400 000	40 000	⁽⁹⁾
09.4762	ex 1003 00 90	Barley, for brewing purposes	free	2 500	250	
09.5297	1109 00 00	Wheat gluten	20	375	40	
09.4727	1501 00 19	Pig fat (including lard), other	164 EUR/t	2 400	240	
09.5172 09.5173 09.5174	1512 11 10 1512 11 91 1512 19 10	Sunflower seed oil	free	7 500 2 875 1 250	750 290 125	
09.4705	1601 00 91 1601 00 99	Sausages, dry or other	free	8 750	875	⁽⁹⁾
	1602 20 11 1602 20 19 ex 1602 90 31 ex 1602 90 31	Goose or duck liver Preparation of game Preparation of rabbit	69 69 47 82	Unlimited		
09.5715	1602 39	Other prepared or preserved meat of other poultry	free	2 250	225	⁽⁹⁾
09.4706	1602 41 10 1602 42 10 1602 49 11 1602 49 13 1602 49 15 1602 49 19 1602 49 30 1602 49 50	Other preparations, preserved meat of domestic swine	free	900	90	⁽⁹⁾
09.5705	1602 50 39	Preparation of bovine animals, other than corned beef	20	2 000	200	
09.5707	ex 1605 90 30	Edible snails, of the genus <i>Helix pomatia</i>	free	100	10	
09.5298	1702 30 1702 40	Glucose and glucose syrup	free	875	90	
09.5547	1703 90 00	Molasses other than cane molasses	free	1 375	140	
09.5175	2001 10 00	Cucumbers, preserved	20	26 875	2 690	
	2001 90 20 2005 90 10	Fruits of the genus <i>Capsicum</i> , other than sweet peppers and pimento, preserved	50	Unlimited		

Order No	CN code	Description ⁽¹⁾	Applicable duty (% of MFN) ⁽²⁾	Annual quantity from 1.7.2000 to 30.6.2001 (tonnes)	Yearly increase as from 1.7.2001 (tonnes)	Specific provisions
09.5272	2001 90 70	Sweet peppers, preserved	free	1 000	100	
09.5273	2001 90 50 2001 90 60 2001 90 65 2001 90 75 2001 90 85	Preserved vegetables	20	750	75	
09.5585	2001 90 91 2001 90 96	Tropical fruits, preserved Other	20	1 300	130	
09.5177	2002 90 31 2002 90 39	Preserved tomatoes	20	7 500	750	
09.5179	2002 90 91 2002 90 99	Preserved tomatoes	20	2 100	210	
09.5587	2004 90 30 2004 90 50	Other vegetables and mixtures of vegetables preserved otherwise than by vinegar or acetic acid, frozen	20	250	25	
09.5181	2005 90 75	Sauerkraut	20	3 625	365	
09.5521	2005 40 00 2005 59 00	Other vegetables prepared or preserved otherwise than by vinegar or acetic acid, not frozen	free	1 125	115	
09.5187	2005 90 70 2005 90 80	Mixtures of vegetables and other veget- ables	20	2 000	200	
	2007 99 10 2007 99 31	Plum purée and paste Jams, jellies, marmalades, purées and pastes of cherries	86 83	Unlimited		⁽⁸⁾
09.5189	ex 2007 99 31 2007 99 33 2007 99 35	Sour cherry jam Strawberry jam Raspberry jam	20	4 375	440	⁽⁸⁾
	ex 2007 99 39 2007 99 93 ex 2007 99 98	Fruit preparations, with sugar content > 30 % by weight, fruit within headings 0801, 0803, 0804 (except figs and pineapples), 0807 20 00, 0810 20 90, 0810 30 90, 0810 40 10, 0810 40 50, 0810 40 90, 0810 90 Of tropical products Other, fruit within headings 0801, 0803, 0804 (except figs and pineap- ples), 0807 20 00, 0810 20 90, 0810 30 90, 0810 40 10, 0810 40 50, 0810 40 90, 0810 90	27	Unlimited		⁽⁸⁾
	2008 60 61	Sour cherries, containing added sugar	70	Unlimited		
09.5549	ex 2008 60	Cherries, not containing added spirits	20	1 125	115	
09.5197	ex 2008 99 45	Pudding plum pack	20	2 625	265	

Order No	CN code	Description ⁽¹⁾	Applicable duty (% of MFN) ⁽²⁾	Annual quantity from 1.7.2000 to 30.6.2001 (tonnes)	Yearly increase as from 1.7.2001 (tonnes)	Specific provisions
09.5199	ex 2008 99 49	Preparations of apple or gooseberry	20	2 000	200	
09.5201	ex 2008 99 99	Preparations of apple or gooseberry	20	6 875	690	
09.5203	2009 70 19	Apple juice, concentrated, other	20	12 000	1 200	
	2009 70 30 2009 70 93 2009 70 99	Apple juice	48	Unlimited		
09.5205	2009 80	Fruit juice	20	2 125	215	⁽⁸⁾
09.5299	2303 10 11	Residues of starch from maize	20	1 125	115	
09.4723	2309 10	Dog or cat food, put up for retail sale	20	14 125	1 415	
09.5207	2401 10 2401 20	Tobacco	20	4 375	440	

⁽¹⁾ Notwithstanding the rules for the interpretation of the Combined Nomenclature, the wording of the description of the products is to be considered as having no more than indicative value, the preferential scheme being determined, within the context of this Annex, by the coverage of the CN code. Where ex CN codes are indicated, the preferential scheme is to be determined by application to the CN code and corresponding description taken together.

⁽²⁾ In cases where a MFN minimum duty exists, the applicable minimum duty is equal to the MFN minimum duty multiplied by the percentage indicated in this column.

⁽³⁾ The quota for this product is opened for Bulgaria, the Czech Republic, Estonia, Hungary, Latvia, Lithuania, Poland, Romania and the Slovak Republic. Where it appears likely that total Community imports of live bovine animals may exceed 500 000 head in a given marketing year the Community may take the management measures needed to protect its market, not withstanding any other rights given under the Agreement.

⁽⁴⁾ The quota for this product is opened for Bulgaria, the Czech Republic, Estonia, Hungary, Latvia, Lithuania, Poland, Romania and the Slovak Republic.

⁽⁵⁾ The Community may take into account, in the framework of its legislation and when appropriate the supply needs of its market and the need to maintain its market balance.

⁽⁶⁾ Excluding tenderloin presented alone.

⁽⁷⁾ Subject to minimum import price arrangements contained in the Annex to the present Annex.

⁽⁸⁾ The reduction applies only to the *ad valorem* part of the duty.

⁽⁹⁾ This concession is only applicable to products not benefiting from any kind of export subsidies.

ANNEX TO ANNEX A(b)

Minimum import price arrangement for certain soft fruit for processing

Imports into the Community of the products listed in this Annex originating in Hungary shall be subject to the conditions described below.

1. Minimum import prices are fixed for the following products:

CN code	Description	Minimum import price (EUR/100 kg net)
ex 0810 20 10	Raspberries, fresh	63,1
ex 0810 30 10	Blackcurrants, fresh	38,5
ex 0810 30 30	Redcurrants, fresh	23,3
ex 0811 10 90	Frozen strawberries, containing no added sugar or other sweetening matter: whole fruit	75,0
ex 0811 10 90	Frozen strawberries, containing no added sugar or other sweetening matter: other	57,6
ex 0811 20 19	Frozen raspberries, containing added sugar or other sweetening matter, with a sugar content not exceeding 13 % by weight: whole fruit	99,5
ex 0811 20 19	Frozen raspberries, containing added sugar or other sweetening matter, with a sugar content not exceeding 13 % by weight: other	79,6
ex 0811 20 31	Frozen raspberries, containing no added sugar or other sweetening matter: whole fruit	99,5
ex 0811 20 31	Frozen raspberries, containing no added sugar or other sweetening matter: other	79,6
ex 0811 20 39	Frozen blackcurrants, containing no added sugar or other sweetening matter: without stalk	62,8
ex 0811 20 39	Frozen blackcurrants, containing no added sugar or other sweetening matter: other	44,8
ex 0811 20 51	Frozen redcurrants, containing no added sugar or other sweetening matter: without stalk	39,0
ex 0811 20 51	Frozen redcurrants, containing no added sugar or other sweetening matter: other	29,5

- The minimum import prices, as set out in Article 1, will be respected on a consignment by consignment basis. In the case of a customs declaration value being lower than the minimum import price, a countervailing duty will be charged equal to the difference between the minimum import price and the customs declaration value.
- If the import prices of a given product covered by this Annex show a trend suggesting that the prices could go below the level of the minimum import prices in the immediate future, the European Commission will inform the Hungarian authorities in order to enable them to correct the situation.
- At the request of either the Community or Hungary, the Association Committee shall examine the functioning of the system or the revision of the level of the minimum import prices. If appropriate, the Association Committee shall take the necessary decisions.

5. To encourage and promote the development of trade and for the mutual benefit of all parties concerned, a consultation meeting will be organised three months before the beginning of each marketing year in the European Community. This consultation meeting will take place between the European Commission and the interested European producers' organisations for the products concerned, of the one part and the authorities', producers' and exporters' organisations of all the associated exporting countries, of the other part.

During this consultation meeting, the market situation for soft fruit including, in particular, forecasts for production, stock situation, price evolution and possible market development, as well as possibilities to adapt supply to demand, will be discussed.

COMMISSION REGULATION (EC) No 1728/2000
of 3 August 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 4 August 2000.

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

Done at Brussels, 3 August 2000.

For the Commission

Pedro SOLBES MIRA

Member of the Commission

⁽¹⁾ OJ L 337, 24.12.1994, p. 66.

⁽²⁾ OJ L 198, 15.7.1998, p. 4.

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to the Commission Regulation of 3 August 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
0709 90 70	052	63,0
	999	63,0
0805 30 10	388	51,4
	524	78,7
	528	72,2
	999	67,4
	052	88,7
0806 10 10	220	124,4
	400	126,5
	508	135,1
	512	53,1
	600	71,1
	624	162,6
	999	108,8
	388	77,3
0808 10 20, 0808 10 50, 0808 10 90	400	76,4
	508	72,5
	512	87,8
	528	84,6
	720	72,4
	800	144,6
	804	82,6
	999	87,3
	052	107,7
	388	81,7
	512	51,7
0808 20 50	528	74,5
	720	112,9
	804	71,8
	999	83,4
	052	444,2
0809 20 95	400	273,3
	404	417,9
	999	378,5
0809 30 10, 0809 30 90	052	125,8
	068	104,9
	999	115,3
0809 40 05	052	24,3
	064	46,4
	066	37,4
	624	189,9
	999	74,5

⁽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 1729/2000**of 3 August 2000****laying down detailed rules for the application of Council Regulation (EC) No 1349/2000 as regards import licences for oats falling within CN code 1004 00 00 and originating in the Republic of Estonia**

THE COMMISSION OF THE EUROPEAN COMMUNITIES,

Having regard to the Treaty establishing the European Community,

Having regard to Council Regulation (EC) No 1349/2000 of 19 June 2000 establishing certain concessions in the form of Community tariff quotas for certain agricultural products and providing for an adjustment, as an autonomous and transitional measure, of certain agricultural concessions provided for in the Europe Agreement with Estonia ⁽¹⁾, and in particular Article 1(3) thereof,

Whereas:

- (1) The European Community has undertaken to establish, for each marketing year from 1 July 2000 on, an import tariff quota at zero duty of 3 000 tonnes of oats falling within CN code 1004 00 00 originating in Estonia, with an annual quota increase of 900 tonnes per marketing year with effect from 1 July 2001.
- (2) That import is conditional upon presentation of an import licence. It is therefore necessary to specify the conditions governing the issue of such a licence.
- (3) Provision should be made for the licences covering the import of the product in question under the fixed quantities, to be issued after a period of reflection and subject, if necessary, to a single percentage reduction in the quantities requested.
- (4) The information which must appear on the applications and licences should be laid down, by derogation from Articles 8 and 21 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 agricultural products ⁽²⁾, as last amended by Regulation (EC) No 1127/1999 ⁽³⁾.
- (5) To take account of delivery conditions, the import licences should be made valid from the day on which they are issued up to the end of the month following that in which they are issued.
- (6) With a view to guaranteeing efficient management of the quota, it is necessary that the import licences should not be transferable and that the import licence security should be fixed at EUR 89 per tonne, by derogation

from Article 10 of Commission Regulation (EC) No 1162/95 ⁽⁴⁾, as last amended by Regulation (EC) No 1432/1999 ⁽⁵⁾.

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

HAS ADOPTED THIS REGULATION:

Article 1

1. The import of oats falling within CN code 1004 00 00 originating in Estonia and benefiting from zero import duty, in accordance with Regulation (EC) No 1349/2000 introducing a tariff quota for that product, shall be conditional upon the presentation of an import licence issued in accordance with this Regulation.

The quantity to be imported shall be 3 000 tonnes for the 2000/2001 marketing year. That quantity shall be increased by 900 tonnes per marketing year with effect from 1 July 2001.

The serial number of the quota is 09.4588.

2. When released into free circulation in the Community, the oats shall be accompanied by the original of the EUR 1 certificate to be issued by the competent authorities of Estonia.

Article 2

1. Applications for import licences shall be lodged with the competent authorities of the Member States no later than 1 p.m. Brussels time on the second Monday of each month.

Each licence application must be for a quantity which may not exceed the quantity available for the import of oats in the marketing year concerned.

2. No later than 6 p.m. Brussels time the same day, the competent authorities shall forward the total quantity resulting from the sum of all quantities indicated on the import licence applications to the Commission by fax to the number 00 32 2-296 43 17.

That information must be notified separately from that relating to other applications for cereal import licences and must quote the number and title of this Regulation.

⁽¹⁾ OJ L 155, 28.6.2000, p. 1.

⁽²⁾ OJ L 331, 2.12.1988, p. 1.

⁽³⁾ OJ L 135, 29.5.1999, p. 48.

⁽⁴⁾ OJ L 117, 24.5.1995, p. 2.

⁽⁵⁾ OJ L 166, 1.7.1999, p. 56.

3. If the total of the quantities granted since the beginning of the marketing year plus the quantities requested on the day in question exceeds the quota quantity for the marketing year concerned, the Commission shall set, no later than the third working day following the lodging of the applications, a single reduction coefficient to be applied to the quantities requested on the day in question.

4. Without prejudice to paragraph 3, licences shall be issued on the fifth working day following the day on which the application was lodged.

5. In accordance with Article 21(2) of Regulation (EEC) No 3719/88, the period of validity of the licence shall be calculated from the actual date of its issue.

Article 3

By derogation from Article 6(1) of Regulation (EC) No 1162/95, import licences shall be valid until the end of the month following the month in which they were issued.

Article 4

By derogation from Article 9 of Regulation (EEC) No 3719/88, the rights resulting from the import licences shall not be transferable.

Article 5

By derogation from Article 8(4) of Regulation (EEC) No 3719/88, the quantity released into free circulation may not exceed that indicated in boxes 17 and 18 of the import licence. The figure '0' shall be entered to that effect in box 19 of the licence.

Article 6

The import licence application and the import licence shall contain the following information:

- (a) in box 8, the name of the country of origin; under the terms of the licence, import from Estonia is compulsory;
- (b) in box 20, one of the following indications:
 - Reglamento (CE) n° 1729/2000
 - Forordning (EF) nr. 1729/2000
 - Verordnung (EG) Nr. 1729/2000
 - Κατανομή (ΕΚ) αριθ. 1729/2000
 - Regulation (EC) No 1729/2000
 - Règlement (CE) n° 1729/2000
 - Regolamento (CE) n. 1729/2000
 - Verordening (EG) nr. 1729/2000
 - Regulamento (CE) n.º 1729/2000
 - Asetus (EY) N:o 1729/2000
 - Förordning (EG) nr 1729/2000;
- (c) in box 24, the applicable rate of import duty, namely 'zero duty'.

Article 7

By derogation from Article 10(a) and (b) of Regulation (EC) No 1162/95, the security for the import licences provided for in this Regulation shall be EUR 89 per tonne.

Article 8

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, 3 August 2000.

For the Commission

Pedro SOLBES MIRA

Member of the Commission

COMMISSION REGULATION (EC) No 1730/2000
of 3 August 2000
amending the export refunds on syrups and certain other sugar sector 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 organization of the markets in the sugar sector ⁽¹⁾, as amended by Commission Regulation (EC) No 1527/2000 ⁽²⁾, and in particular the third indent of Article 18(5) thereof,

Whereas:

- (1) The refunds on syrups and certain other sugar products were fixed by Commission Regulation (EC) No 1699/2000 ⁽³⁾;
- (2) It follows from applying the rules, criteria and other provisions contained in Regulation (EC) No 1699/2000 to the information at present available to the Commis-

sion that the export refunds at present in force should be altered as shown in the Annex hereto,

HAS ADOPTED THIS REGULATION:

Article 1

The refunds to be granted on the products listed in Article 1 (1) (d), (f) and (g) of Regulation (EC) No 2038/1999, exported in the natural state, as fixed in the Annex to Regulation (EC) No 1699/2000 are hereby altered to the amounts shown in the Annex hereto.

Article 2

This Regulation shall enter into force on 4 August 2000.

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

Done at Brussels, 3 August 2000.

For the Commission

Pedro SOLBES MIRA

Member of the Commission

⁽¹⁾ OJ L 252, 25.9.1999, p. 1.

⁽²⁾ OJ L 175, 14.7.2000, p. 59.

⁽³⁾ OJ L 195, 1.8.2000, p. 13.

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to the Commission Regulation of 3 August 2000 altering 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	36,24 ⁽²⁾
1702 60 10 9000	36,24 ⁽²⁾
1702 60 80 9100	68,86 ⁽⁴⁾
	— EUR/1 % sucrose × 100 kg —
1702 60 95 9000	0,3624 ⁽¹⁾
	— EUR/100 kg dry matter —
1702 90 30 9000	36,24 ⁽²⁾
	— EUR/1 % sucrose × 100 kg —
1702 90 60 9000	0,3624 ⁽¹⁾
1702 90 71 9000	0,3624 ⁽¹⁾
1702 90 99 9900	0,3624 ⁽¹⁾ ⁽³⁾
	— EUR/100 kg dry matter —
2106 90 30 9000	36,24 ⁽²⁾
	— EUR/1 % sucrose × 100 kg —
2106 90 59 9000	0,3624 ⁽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 1731/2000
of 3 August 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⁾, as amended by Commission Regulation (EC) No 1527/2000 ⁽²⁾, 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 1722/2000 ⁽³⁾.
- (2) It follows from applying the detailed rules contained in Regulation (EC) No 1722/2000 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 1722/2000 are hereby altered to the amounts shown in the Annex hereto.

Article 2

This Regulation shall enter into force on 4 August 2000.

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

Done at Brussels, 3 August 2000.

For the Commission

Pedro SOLBES MIRA

Member of the Commission

⁽¹⁾ OJ L 252, 25.9.1999, p. 1.

⁽²⁾ OJ L 175, 14.7.2000, p. 59.

⁽³⁾ OJ L 197, 3.8.2000, p. 6.

ANNEX

to the Commission Regulation of 3 August 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	33,34 ⁽¹⁾
1701 11 90 9910	30,67 ⁽¹⁾
1701 11 90 9950	⁽²⁾
1701 12 90 9100	33,34 ⁽¹⁾
1701 12 90 9910	30,67 ⁽¹⁾
1701 12 90 9950	⁽²⁾
	— EUR/1 % of sucrose × 100 kg —
1701 91 00 9000	0,3624
	— EUR/100 kg —
1701 99 10 9100	36,24
1701 99 10 9910	36,24
1701 99 10 9950	36,24
	— EUR/1 % of sucrose × 100 kg —
1701 99 90 9100	0,3624

⁽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 1732/2000
of 3 August 2000
amending representative prices and additional duties for the import of certain products in the
sugar sector

THE COMMISSION OF THE EUROPEAN COMMUNITIES,

Having regard to the Treaty establishing the European Community,

Having regard to Council Regulation (EC) No 2038/1999 of 13 September 1999 on the common organisation of the markets in the sugar sector ⁽¹⁾, as amended by Commission Regulation (EC) No 1527/2000 ⁽²⁾,

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

Whereas:

- (1) The amounts of the representative prices and additional duties applicable to the import of white sugar, raw sugar and certain syrups are fixed by Commission Regulation

(EC) No 1411/2000 ⁽⁵⁾, as amended by Regulation (EC) No 1693/2000 ⁽⁶⁾.

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

HAS ADOPTED THIS REGULATION:

Article 1

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

Article 2

This Regulation shall enter into force on 4 August 2000.

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

Done at Brussels, 3 August 2000.

For the Commission
Pedro SOLBES MIRA
Member of the Commission

⁽¹⁾ OJ L 252, 25.9.1999, p. 1.

⁽²⁾ OJ L 175, 14.7.2000, p. 59.

⁽³⁾ OJ L 141, 24.6.1995, p. 16.

⁽⁴⁾ OJ L 85, 20.3.1998, p. 5.

⁽⁵⁾ OJ L 161, 1.7.2000, p. 22.

⁽⁶⁾ OJ L 193, 29.7.2000, p. 64.

ANNEX

to the Commission Regulation of 3 August 2000 amending representative prices and the amounts of additional duties applicable to imports of white sugar, raw sugar and products covered by CN code 1702 90 99

(EUR)

CN code	Amount of representative prices per 100 kg net of product concerned	Amount of additional duty per 100 kg net of product concerned
1701 11 10 ⁽¹⁾	28,67	2,69
1701 11 90 ⁽¹⁾	28,67	7,20
1701 12 10 ⁽¹⁾	28,67	2,55
1701 12 90 ⁽¹⁾	28,67	6,77
1701 91 00 ⁽²⁾	29,01	10,73
1701 99 10 ⁽²⁾	29,01	6,21
1701 99 90 ⁽²⁾	29,01	6,21
1702 90 99 ⁽³⁾	0,29	0,36

⁽¹⁾ For the standard quality as defined in Article 1 of amended Council Regulation (EEC) No 431/68 (OJ L 89, 10.4.1968, p. 3).

⁽²⁾ For the standard quality as defined in Article 1 of Council Regulation (EEC) No 793/72 (OJ L 94, 21.4.1972, p. 1).

⁽³⁾ By 1 % sucrose content.

COMMISSION REGULATION (EC) No 1733/2000**of 3 August 2000****fixing the export refunds on cereals and on wheat or rye flour, groats and meal**

THE COMMISSION OF THE EUROPEAN COMMUNITIES,

Having regard to the Treaty establishing the European Community,

Having regard to Council Regulation (EEC) No 1766/92 of 30 June 1992 on the common organisation of the market in cereals⁽¹⁾, as last amended by Regulation (EC) No 1666/2000⁽²⁾, and in particular Article 13(2) thereof,

Whereas:

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

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

HAS ADOPTED THIS REGULATION:

Article 1

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

Article 2

This Regulation shall enter into force on 4 August 2000.

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

Done at Brussels, 3 August 2000.

For the Commission

Pedro SOLBES MIRA

Member of the Commission

⁽¹⁾ OJ L 181, 1.7.1992, p. 21.

⁽²⁾ OJ L 193, 29.7.2000, p. 1.

⁽³⁾ OJ L 147, 30.6.1995, p. 7.

⁽⁴⁾ OJ L 313, 21.11.1998, p. 16.

ANNEX

**to the Commission Regulation of 3 August 2000 fixing the export refunds on cereals and on wheat or rye flour,
groats and meal**

(EUR/t)			(EUR/t)		
Product code	Destination ⁽¹⁾	Amount of refund	Product code	Destination ⁽¹⁾	Amount of refund
1001 10 00 9200	—	—	1101 00 11 9000	—	—
1001 10 00 9400	01	0	1101 00 15 9100	01	22,00
1001 90 91 9000	—	—	1101 00 15 9130	01	20,50
1001 90 99 9000	01	0	1101 00 15 9150	01	19,00
1002 00 00 9000	01	0	1101 00 15 9170	01	17,50
1003 00 10 9000	—	—	1101 00 15 9180	01	16,25
1003 00 90 9000	01	0	1101 00 15 9190	—	—
1004 00 00 9200	—	—	1101 00 90 9000	—	—
1004 00 00 9400	—	—	1102 10 00 9500	01	42,75
1005 10 90 9000	—	—	1102 10 00 9700	01	33,75
1005 90 00 9000	04	30,00	1102 10 00 9900	—	—
	02	0	1103 11 10 9200	01	0 ⁽²⁾
1007 00 90 9000	—	—	1103 11 10 9400	01	0 ⁽²⁾
1008 20 00 9000	—	—	1103 11 10 9900	—	—
			1103 11 90 9200	01	0 ⁽²⁾
			1103 11 90 9800	—	—

⁽¹⁾ The destinations are identified as follows:

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

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

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

COMMISSION REGULATION (EC) No 1734/2000
of 3 August 2000
fixing 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 organization of the market in cereals ⁽¹⁾, as last amended by Regulation (EC) No 1666/2000 ⁽²⁾, and in particular Article 13 (8) thereof,

Whereas:

- (1) Article 13 (8) of Regulation (EEC) No 1766/92 provides that the export refund applicable to cereals on the day on which application for an export licence is made must be applied on request to exports to be effected during the period of validity of the export licence; whereas, in this case, a corrective amount may be applied to the refund.
- (2) Commission Regulation (EC) No 1501/95 of 29 June 1995 laying down certain detailed rules under Council Regulation (EEC) No 1766/92 on the granting of export refunds on cereals and the cereals and the measures to be taken in the event of disturbance on the market for cereals ⁽³⁾, as last amended by Regulation (EC) No 2513/98 ⁽⁴⁾, allows for the fixing of a corrective amount for the products listed in Article 1(1) (c) of Regulation (EEC) No 1766/92; that corrective amount must be calculated taking account of the factors referred to in Article 1 of Regulation (EC) No 1501/95.

- (3) The world market situation or the specific requirements of certain markets may make it necessary to vary the corrective amount according to destination.
- (4) The corrective amount must be fixed at the same time as the refund and according to the same procedure; it may be altered in the period between fixings.
- (5) It follows from applying the provisions set out above that the corrective amount must be as set out in the Annex hereto.
- (6) 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 corrective amount referred to in Article 1(1) (a), (b) and (c) of Regulation (EEC) No 1766/92 which is applicable to export refunds fixed in advance except for malt shall be as set out in the Annex hereto.

Article 2

This Regulation shall enter into force on 4 August 2000.

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

Done at Brussels, 3 August 2000.

For the Commission

Pedro SOLBES MIRA

Member of the Commission

⁽¹⁾ OJ L 181, 1.7.1992, p. 21.

⁽²⁾ OJ L 193, 29.7.2000, p. 1.

⁽³⁾ OJ L 147, 30.6.1995, p. 7.

⁽⁴⁾ OJ L 313, 21.11.1998, p. 16.

ANNEX

to the Commission Regulation of 3 August 2000 fixing the corrective amount applicable to the refund on cereals

(EUR/t)

Product code	Destination ⁽¹⁾	Current 8	1st period 9	2nd period 10	3rd period 11	4th period 12	5th period 1	6th period 2
1001 10 00 9200	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
1001 10 00 9400	01	0	-1,00	-2,00	-3,00	-4,00	—	—
1001 90 91 9000	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
1001 90 99 9000	01	0	-4,00	-10,00	-12,00	-14,00	—	—
1002 00 00 9000	01	0	-1,00	-2,00	-3,00	-4,00	—	—
1003 00 10 9000	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
1003 00 90 9000	01	0	-1,00	-2,00	-3,00	-4,00	—	—
1004 00 00 9200	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
1004 00 00 9400	01	0	-1,00	-2,00	-3,00	-4,00	—	—
1005 10 90 9000	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
1005 90 00 9000	01	0	-1,00	-0,00	-1,00	-2,00	—	—
1007 00 90 9000	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
1008 20 00 9000	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
1101 00 11 9000	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
1101 00 15 9100	01	0	0,00	0,00	-12,00	-12,00	—	—
1101 00 15 9130	01	0	0,00	0,00	-11,50	-11,50	—	—
1101 00 15 9150	01	0	0,00	0,00	-10,50	-10,50	—	—
1101 00 15 9170	01	0	0,00	0,00	-9,75	-9,75	—	—
1101 00 15 9180	01	0	0,00	0,00	-9,25	-9,25	—	—
1101 00 15 9190	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
1101 00 90 9000	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
1102 10 00 9500	01	0	0,00	0,00	-42,75	-42,75	—	—
1102 10 00 9700	01	0	0,00	0,00	-33,75	-33,75	—	—
1102 10 00 9900	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
1103 11 10 9200	01	0	-1,50	-3,00	-4,50	-6,00	—	—
1103 11 10 9400	01	0	-1,34	-2,68	-4,02	-5,36	—	—
1103 11 10 9900	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
1103 11 90 9200	01	0	-1,37	-2,74	-4,11	-5,48	—	—
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 1735/2000
of 3 August 2000
fixing 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 organization of the market in cereals ⁽¹⁾, as last amended by Regulation (EC) No 1666/2000 ⁽²⁾, and in particular Article 13(8),

Whereas:

- (1) Article 13(8) of Regulation (EEC) No 1766/92 provides that the export refund applicable to cereals on the day on which application for an export licence is made, adjusted for the threshold price in force during the month of exportation, must be applied on request to exports to be effected during the period of validity of the export licence. In this case, a corrective amount may be applied to the refund.
- (2) Commission Regulation (EC) No 1501/95 of 29 June 1995 laying down certain detailed rules under Council Regulation (EEC) No 1766/92 on the granting of export refunds on cereals and the measures to be taken in the event of disturbance on the market for cereals ⁽³⁾, as last amended by Regulation (EC) No 2513/98 ⁽⁴⁾, allows for the fixing of a corrective amount for the malt referred to

in Article 1(1)(c) of Regulation (EEC) No 1766/92. That corrective amount must be calculated taking account of the factors referred to in Article 1 of Regulation (EC) No 1501/95.

- (3) It follows from applying the provisions set out above that the corrective amount must be as set out in the Annex hereto.
- (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 corrective amount referred to in Article 13(4) of Regulation (EEC) No 1766/92 which is applicable to export refunds fixed in advance in respect of malt shall be as set out in the Annex hereto.

Article 2

This Regulation shall enter into force on 4 August 2000.

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

Done at Brussels, 3 August 2000.

For the Commission

Pedro SOLBES MIRA

Member of the Commission

⁽¹⁾ OJ L 181, 1.7.1992, p. 21.

⁽²⁾ OJ L 193, 29.7.2000, p. 1.

⁽³⁾ OJ L 147, 30.6.1995, p. 7.

⁽⁴⁾ OJ L 313, 21.11.1998, p. 16.

ANNEX

to the Commission Regulation of 3 August 2000 fixing the corrective amount applicable to the refund on malt

(EUR/t)

Product code	Current 8	1st period 9	2nd period 10	3rd period 11	4th period 12	5th period 1
1107 10 11 9000	0	0	0	0	0	0
1107 10 19 9000	0	-1,27	-2,54	-3,81	-5,08	-6,35
1107 10 91 9000	0	0	0	0	0	0
1107 10 99 9000	0	-1,27	-2,54	-3,81	-5,08	-6,35
1107 20 00 9000	0	-1,49	-2,98	-4,47	-5,96	-7,45

(EUR/t)

Product code	6th period 2	7th period 3	8th period 4	9th period 5	10th period 6	11th period 7
1107 10 11 9000	0	0	0	0	0	0
1107 10 19 9000	-7,62	-8,89	-10,16	-11,43	-12,70	-13,97
1107 10 91 9000	0	0	0	0	0	0
1107 10 99 9000	-7,62	-8,89	-10,16	-11,43	-12,70	-13,97
1107 20 00 9000	-8,94	-10,43	-11,92	-13,41	-14,90	-16,39

COMMISSION REGULATION (EC) No 1736/2000
of 3 August 2000
concerning tenders notified in response to the invitation to tender for the export of common
wheat issued in Regulation (EC) No 1701/2000

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 1666/2000 ⁽²⁾,

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

Whereas:

- (1) An invitation to tender for the refund for the export of common wheat to all third countries, was opened pursuant to Commission Regulation (EC) No 1701/2000 ⁽⁵⁾.
- (2) Article 7 of Regulation (EC) No 1501/95 allows the Commission to decide, in accordance with the procedure laid down in Article 23 of Regulation (EEC) No 1766/92

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

- (3) On the basis of the criteria laid down in Article 1 of Regulation (EC) No 1501/95 a maximum refund should not be fixed.
- (4) The measures provided for in this Regulation are in accordance with the opinion of the Management Committee for Cereals,

HAS ADOPTED THIS REGULATION:

Article 1

No action shall be taken on the tenders notified from 1 to 3 August 2000 in response to the invitation to tender for the refund for the export of common wheat issued in Regulation (EC) No 1701/2000.

Article 2

This Regulation shall enter into force on 4 August 2000.

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

Done at Brussels, 3 August 2000.

For the Commission

Pedro SOLBES MIRA

Member of the Commission

⁽¹⁾ OJ L 181, 1.7.1992, p. 21.

⁽²⁾ OJ L 193, 29.7.2000, p. 1.

⁽³⁾ OJ L 147, 30.6.1995, p. 7.

⁽⁴⁾ OJ L 313, 21.11.1998, p. 16.

⁽⁵⁾ OJ L 195, 1.8.2000, p. 18.

COMMISSION REGULATION (EC) No 1737/2000**of 3 August 2000****fixing, for July 2000, the specific exchange rate for the amount of the reimbursement of storage costs in the sugar sector**

THE COMMISSION OF THE EUROPEAN COMMUNITIES,

Having regard to the Treaty establishing the European Community,

Having regard to Council Regulation (EC) No 2038/1999 of 13 September 1999 on the common organisation of the markets in the sugar sector ⁽¹⁾, as amended by Commission Regulation (EC) No 1527/2000 ⁽²⁾,

Having regard to Council Regulation (EC) No 2799/98 of 15 December 1998 establishing agrimonetary arrangements for the euro ⁽³⁾,

Having regard to Commission Regulation (EEC) No 1713/93 of 30 July 1993 establishing special detailed rules for applying the agricultural conversion rate in the sugar sector ⁽⁴⁾, as last amended by Regulation (EC) No 1642/1999 ⁽⁵⁾, and in particular Article 1(3) thereof,

Whereas:

- (1) Article 1(2) of Regulation (EEC) No 1713/93 provides that the amount of the reimbursement of storage costs referred to in Article 8 of Regulation (EC) No 2038/1999 is to be converted into national currency using a specific agricultural conversion rate equal to the average, calculated *pro rata temporis*, of the agricultural conversion rates applicable during the month of storage. That specific rate must be fixed each month for the previous month. However, in the case of the reimbursable

amounts applying from 1 January 1999, as a result of the introduction of the agrimonetary arrangements for the euro from that date, the fixing of the conversion rate should be limited to the specific exchange rates prevailing between the euro and the national currencies of the Member States that have not adopted the single currency.

- (2) Application of these provisions will lead to the fixing, for July 2000, of the specific exchange rate for the amount of the reimbursement of storage costs in the various national currencies as indicated in the Annex to this Regulation,

HAS ADOPTED THIS REGULATION:

Article 1

The specific exchange rate to be used for converting the amount of the reimbursement of the storage costs referred to in Article 8 of Regulation (EC) No 2038/1999 into national currency for July 2000 shall be as indicated in the Annex hereto.

Article 2

This Regulation shall enter into force on 4 August 2000.

It shall apply with effect from 1 July 2000.

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

Done at Brussels, 3 August 2000.

For the Commission

Pedro SOLBES MIRA

Member of the Commission

⁽¹⁾ OJ L 252, 25.9.1999, p. 1.

⁽²⁾ OJ L 175, 14.7.2000, p. 59.

⁽³⁾ OJ L 349, 24.12.1998, p. 1.

⁽⁴⁾ OJ L 159, 1.7.1993, p. 94.

⁽⁵⁾ OJ L 195, 28.7.1999, p. 3.

ANNEX

to the Commission Regulation of 3 August 2000 fixing, for July 2000, the exchange rate for the amount of the reimbursement of storage costs in the sugar sector

Specific exchange rate		
EUR 1 =	7,45899	Danish kroner
	336,861	Greek drachma
	8,40540	Swedish kroner
	0,623577	Pound sterling

COMMISSION REGULATION (EC) No 1738/2000**of 3 August 2000****amending the rates of the 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 markets in the sugar sector ⁽¹⁾, as amended by Commission Regulation (EC) No 1527/2000 ⁽²⁾, and in particular Article 18(5)(a) and (15) thereof,

Whereas:

- (1) The rates of the refunds applicable from 1 August 2000 to the products listed in the Annex, exported in the form of goods not covered by Annex I to the Treaty, were fixed by Commission Regulation (EC) No 1707/2000 ⁽³⁾.

- (2) It follows from applying the rules and criteria contained in Regulation (EC) No 1428/2000 to the information at present available to the Commission that the export refunds at present applicable should be altered as shown in the Annex hereto,

HAS ADOPTED THIS REGULATION:

Article 1

The rates of refund fixed by Regulation (EC) No 1428/2000 are hereby altered as shown in the Annex hereto.

Article 2

This Regulation shall enter into force on 4 August 2000.

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

Done at Brussels, 3 August 2000.

For the Commission

Erkki LIIKANEN

Member of the Commission

⁽¹⁾ OJ L 252, 25.9.1999, p. 1.

⁽²⁾ OJ L 175, 14.7.2000, p. 59.

⁽³⁾ OJ L 195, 1.8.2000, p. 32.

ANNEX

to the Commission Regulation of 3 August 2000 amending 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:		
— where the first paragraph of Article 2 applies	—	—
— in all other cases	36,24	36,24

COMMISSION DIRECTIVE 2000/50/EC**of 26 July 2000****including an active substance (prohexadione-calcium) in Annex I to Council Directive 91/414/EEC concerning the placing of plant protection products on the market**

THE COMMISSION OF THE EUROPEAN COMMUNITIES,

Having regard to the Treaty establishing the European Community,

Having regard to Council Directive 91/414/EEC of 15 July 1991 concerning the placing of plant protection products on the market ⁽¹⁾, as last amended by Commission Directive 2000/10/EC ⁽²⁾, hereafter referred to as 'the Directive', and in particular Article 6(1) thereof,

Whereas:

- (1) In accordance with Article 6(2) of the Directive, on 10 February 1994, France received an application from BASF AG, hereafter referred to as 'the applicant', for the inclusion of the active substance prohexadione-calcium in Annex I to the Directive.
- (2) In accordance with the provisions of Article 6(3) of the Directive the Commission confirmed in its Decision 96/520/EC ⁽³⁾ that the dossier submitted for prohexadione-calcium could be considered as satisfying, in principle, the data and information requirements of Annex II and for a plant protection product containing this active substance, of Annex III to the Directive.
- (3) In accordance with Article 5(1) of the Directive, an active substance should be included in Annex I for a period not exceeding 10 years if it may be expected that neither the use of, or residues from, plant protection products containing the active substance will have any harmful effects on human or animal health or on groundwater or any unacceptable influence on the environment.
- (4) For prohexadione-calcium, the effects on human health and the environment have been assessed, in accordance with the provisions of Article 6(2) and (4) of the Directive, for the uses proposed by the applicant. France acting as nominated rapporteur Member State, submitted to the Commission on 9 June 1998 the draft assessment report concerned.
- (5) The submitted report has been reviewed by the Member States and the Commission within the Standing Committee on Plant Health. This review was finalised on 16 June 2000 in the format of the Commission review report for prohexadione-calcium. It may be necessary to update this report to take account of technical and scientific developments. In such case the conditions for the inclusion of prohexadione-calcium in Annex I to the Directive will also need to be amended pursuant to Article 6(1) of that Directive.
- (6) The dossier and the information from the review were also submitted to the Scientific Committee for Plants for opinion on 26 November 1999. This Committee gave its opinion on 6 June 2000.
- (7) It has appeared from the various examinations made that plant protection products containing the active substance concerned may be expected to satisfy, in general, the requirements laid down in Article 5(1)(a), (b) and (3) of the Directive, in particular with regard to the uses which were examined and detailed in the Commission review report. It is therefore appropriate to include the active substance concerned in Annex I, in order to ensure that in all Member States the authorisations of plant protection products containing the active substance concerned can be granted in accordance with the provisions of the said Directive.
- (8) After inclusion, a reasonable period is necessary to permit Member States to implement the provisions of the Directive on plant protection products containing prohexadione-calcium and in particular to review, within this period, existing provisional authorisations or to grant, by the end of this period at the latest, new authorisations in accordance with the provisions of the Directive. A longer period may also be required for plant protection products containing prohexadione-calcium and other active substances included in Annex I.
- (9) It is appropriate to provide that the finalised review report (except for confidential information in the meaning of Article 14 of the Directive) is kept available or made available by the Member States for consultation by any interested parties.
- (10) The review report is required for the proper implementation by the Member States, of several sections of the uniform principles laid down in Annex VI to the Directive, where these principles refer to the evaluation of the Annex II data which were submitted for the purpose of the inclusion of the active substance in Annex I to the Directive.
- (11) The measures provided for in this Directive are in accordance with the opinion of the Standing Committee on Plant Health delivered on 16 June 2000,

HAS ADOPTED THIS DIRECTIVE:

Article 1

Prohexadione-calcium is hereby designated as an active substance in Annex I to Directive 91/414/EEC, as set out in the Annex hereto.

⁽¹⁾ OJ L 230, 19.8.1991, p. 1.

⁽²⁾ OJ L 57, 2.3.2000, p. 28.

⁽³⁾ OJ L 220, 30.8.1996, p. 19.

Article 2

1. Member States shall bring into force the laws, regulations and administrative provisions necessary to comply with this Directive, at the latest by 1 January 2001.
2. However, with regard to evaluation and decision-making pursuant to the uniform principles provided for in Annex VI to Directive 91/414/EEC, on the basis of a dossier satisfying the requirements of Annex III thereto, the period laid down in the first paragraph is extended for existing provisional authorisations of plant protection products containing prohexadione-calcium to 1 January 2002.
3. However for plant protection products containing prohexadione-calcium together with another active substance which is in Annex I to Directive 91/414/EEC, the period referred to in paragraph 1 is extended to the extent that a longer implementation period is provided for by the provisions laid down in the Directive concerning the inclusion of this other active substance in Annex I to Directive 91/414/EEC.
4. Member States shall keep available the review report (except for confidential information in the meaning of Article

14 of the Directive) for consultation by any interested parties or shall make it available to them on specific request.

5. When Member States adopt the measures, these shall contain a reference to this Directive or shall be accompanied by such reference at the time of their official publication. The Member States shall lay down the procedure for such reference.

Article 3

This Directive shall enter into force on 1 October 2000.

Article 4

This Directive is addressed to the Member States.

Done at Brussels, 26 July 2000.

For the Commission

David BYRNE

Member of the Commission

*ANNEX***1. Prohexadione-calcium**

1. Identity: (IUPAC) Calcium 3,5-dioxo-4-propionylcyclohexanecarboxylate
 2. Particular conditions to be fulfilled:
 - 2.1. The active substance shall have a minimum purity of 890 g/kg.
 - 2.2. Only uses as plant growth regulator may be authorised.
 - 2.3. For the implementation of the uniform principles of Annex VI, the conclusions of the review report on prohexadione-calcium, and in particular the Appendices I and II thereof, as finalised in the Standing Committee on Plant Health on 16 June 2000 shall be taken into account.
 3. Expiry date of the inclusion: 1 October 2010.
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COMMISSION DIRECTIVE 2000/51/EC
of 26 July 2000
amending Directive 95/31/EC laying down specific criteria of purity concerning sweeteners for use
in foodstuffs
(Text with EEA relevance)

THE COMMISSION OF THE EUROPEAN COMMUNITIES,

Having regard to the Treaty establishing the European Community,

Having regard to Council Directive 89/107/EEC of 21 December 1988 on the approximation of the laws of the Member States concerning food additives authorised for use in foodstuffs intended for human consumption ⁽¹⁾, as amended by European Parliament and Council Directive 94/34/EC ⁽²⁾, and in particular Article 3(3)(a) thereof,

After consulting the Scientific Committee on Food,

Whereas:

- (1) European Parliament and Council Directive 94/35/EC of 30 June 1994 on sweeteners for use in foodstuffs ⁽³⁾, as amended by Directive 96/83/EC ⁽⁴⁾, lists those substances which may be used as sweeteners in foodstuffs.
- (2) Commission Directive 95/31/EC of 5 July 1995 laying down specific criteria of purity concerning sweeteners for use in foodstuffs ⁽⁵⁾, as amended by Directive 98/66/EC ⁽⁶⁾, sets out the purity criteria for the sweeteners mentioned in Directive 94/35/EC.
- (3) It is necessary, in the light of technical progress, to amend the purity criteria set out in Directive 95/31/EC for mannitol (E 421) and maltitol syrup (E 965(ii)). It is consequently necessary to adapt that Directive.
- (4) It is necessary to take into account the specifications and analytical techniques for sweeteners as set out in the *Codex Alimentarius* by the Joint FAO/WHO Expert Committee on Food Additives (JECFA).
- (5) The measures provided for in this Directive are in accordance with the opinion of the Standing Committee on Foodstuffs,

HAS ADOPTED THIS DIRECTIVE:

Article 1

In the Annex to Directive 95/31/EC, the text concerning (E 421) mannitol and (E 965 (ii)) maltitol syrup shall be replaced by the text in the Annex to this Directive.

Article 2

Member States shall bring into force the laws, regulations and administrative provisions necessary to comply with this Directive by 30 June 2001 at the latest. They shall forthwith inform the Commission thereof.

When Member States adopt those provisions, they shall contain a reference to this Directive or be accompanied by such a reference on the occasion of their official publication. Member States shall determine how such reference is to be made.

Article 3

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

Article 4

This Directive is addressed to the Member States.

Done at Brussels, 26 July 2000.

For the Commission

David BYRNE

Member of the Commission

⁽¹⁾ OJ L 40, 11.2.1989, p. 27.

⁽²⁾ OJ L 237, 10.9.1994, p. 1.

⁽³⁾ OJ L 237, 10.9.1994, p. 3.

⁽⁴⁾ OJ L 48, 19.2.1997, p. 16.

⁽⁵⁾ OJ L 178, 28.7.1995, p. 1.

⁽⁶⁾ OJ L 257, 19.9.1998, p. 35.

ANNEX

E 421 MANNITOL**1. Mannitol****Synonyms**

D-mannitol

Definition

Mannitol is manufactured by catalytic hydrogenation of a mixture of glucose and fructose made from invert sugar

Chemical name

D-mannitol

Einecs

200-711-8

Chemical formula $C_6H_{14}O_6$ *Molecular weight*

182,2

Assay

Content not less than 96,0 % D-mannitol and not more than 102 % on the dried basis

Description

White, odourless, crystalline powder

Identification

A. Solubility

Soluble in water, very slightly soluble in ethanol, practically insoluble in ether

B. Melting range

Between 164 and 169 °C.

C. Thin layer chromatography

Passes test

D. Specific rotation

 $[\alpha]^{20}_D$: + 23° to + 25° (borate solution)

E. pH

Between 5 and 8

Add 0,5 ml of a saturated solution of potassium chloride to 10 ml of a 10 % w/v solution of the sample, then measure the pH

Purity

Loss on drying

Not more than 0,3 % (105 °C, 4 hours)

Reducing sugars

Not more than 0,3 % (as glucose)

Total sugars

Not more than 1 % (as glucose)

Sulphated ash

Not more than 0,1 %

Chlorides

Not more than 70 mg/kg

Sulphate

Not more than 100 mg/kg

Nickel

Not more than 2 mg/kg

Lead

Not more than 1 mg/kg

2. Mannitol manufactured by fermentation**Synonyms**

D-mannitol

Definition

Mannitol can also be manufactured by discontinuous fermentation under aerobic conditions a conventional strain of the yeast *Zygosaccharomyces rouxii*

Chemical name

D-mannitol

Einecs

200-711-8

Chemical formula $C_6H_{14}O_6$ *Molecular weight*

182,2

Assay

Not less than 99 % on the dried basis

Description

White, odourless crystalline powder

Identification

- A. Solubility
- B. Melting range
- C. Thin layer chromatography
- D. Specific rotation
- E. pH

Soluble in water, very slightly soluble in ethanol, practically insoluble in ether
Between 164 and 169 °C.

Passes test

$[\alpha]^{20}_D$: + 23° to + 25° (borate solution)

Between 5 and 8

Add 0,5 ml of a saturated solution of potassium chloride to 10 ml of a 10 % w/v solution of the sample, then measure the pH

Purity

- Arabitol
- Loss on drying
- Reducing sugars
- Total sugars
- Sulphated ash
- Chlorides
- Sulphate
- Lead
- Aerobic mesophilic bacteria
- Coliforms
- Salmonella*
- E. coli*
- Staphylococcus aureus*
- Pseudomonas aeruginosa*
- Moulds
- Yeasts

Not more than 0,3 %

Not more than 0,3 % (105 °C, 4 hours)

Not more than 0,3 % (as glucose)

Not more than 1 % (as glucose)

Not more than 0,1 %

Not more than 70 mg/kg

Not more than 100 mg/kg

Not more than 1 mg/kg

Not more than 10³/g

Absent in 10 g

Absent in 10 g

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'E 965(ii) SYRUP MALTITOL**Synonyms**

Hydrogenated high-maltose-glucose syrup, hydrogenated glucose syrup

Definition

A mixture consisting of mainly maltitol with sorbitol and hydrogenated oligo- and polysaccharides. It is manufactured by the catalytic hydrogenation of high maltose-content glucose syrup. The article of commerce is supplied both as a syrup and as a solid product.

Assay

Content not less than 99 % of total hydrogenated saccharides on the anhydrous basis and not less than 50 % of maltitol on the anhydrous basis

Description

Colourless and odourless, clear viscous liquids or white crystalline masses

Identification

- A. Solubility
- B. Thin layer chromatography

Very soluble in water, slightly soluble in ethanol

Passes test

Purity

- Water
- Reducing sugars
- Sulphated ash
- Chlorides
- Sulphate
- Nickel
- Lead

Not more than 31 % (Karl Fischer)

Not more than 0,3 % (as glucose)

Not more than 0,1 %

Not more than 50 mg/kg

Not more than 100 mg/kg

Not more than 2 mg/kg

Not more than 1 mg/kg'