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(Acts whose publication is obligatory)

**COUNCIL REGULATION (EC) No 2578/2000
of 17 November 2000
amending Regulation (EC) No 2406/96 laying down common marketing standards for certain
fishery products**

THE COUNCIL OF THE EUROPEAN UNION,

Having regard to the Treaty establishing the European Community,

Having regard to Council Regulation (EEC) No 3759/92 of 17 December 1992 on the common organisation of the market in fishery and aquaculture products ⁽¹⁾, and in particular Article 2(3) thereof,

Having regard to the proposal from the Commission,

Whereas:

- (1) Annex IV to Regulation (EC) No 104/2000 ⁽²⁾ adds five new species to the list of products eligible for intervention mechanisms under the common organisation of the markets.
- (2) Common marketing standards, harmonised throughout the Community market, therefore need to be laid down for those species by amending Regulation (EC) No 2406/96 ⁽³⁾,

HAS ADOPTED THIS REGULATION:

Article 1

Regulation (EC) No 2406/96 is hereby amended as follows:

1. Article 3:

- (a) in paragraph 1, the list under (a) shall be supplemented by the following indents:

⁽¹⁾ OJ L 388, 31.12.1992, p. 1. Regulation as last amended by Regulation (EC) No 3318/94 (OJ L 350, 31.12.1994, p. 15).

⁽²⁾ OJ L 17, 21.1.2000, p. 22.

⁽³⁾ OJ L 334, 23.12.1996, p. 1. Regulation as amended by Regulation (EC) No 323/97 (OJ L 52, 22.2.1997, p. 8).

— Striped or red mullet (*Mullus barbatus*, *Mullus surmuletus*)

— Black sea bream (*Spondylusoma cantharus*);

(b) in paragraph 1, a new point (d) shall be added:

‘(d) Common scallop and other aquatic invertebrates falling within code NC 0307:

— Common scallop (*Pecten maximus*)

— Common whelk (*Buccinum undatum*)’.

2. The first subparagraph of Article 4(3) shall be replaced by:

‘3. The crab, common scallop and common whelk referred to in Article 3 shall not be classified according to specific standards of freshness.’

3. Article 7(1) shall be replaced by:

‘1. The products referred to in Article 3 shall be sized by weight or by number per kilogram. Shrimps and crabs, however, shall be graded in size categories by width of shell; common scallops and common whelks shall be graded in size categories by width of shell.’

4. In Annex II, the table appearing in the Annex to this Regulation concerning the size categories applicable to striped or red mullet, black sea bream, common scallop and common whelk shall be added after the existing table.

Article 2

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

It shall apply from 1 January 2001.

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

Done at Brussels, 17 November 2000.

For the Council

J. GLAVANY

The President

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'Scale of weights				Minimum sizes to be observed in the conditions laid down in the Regulations referred to in Article 7		
Species	Size	Kg/fish or shell size	Number of fish/kg	Region	Geographical area	Minimum size
Common scallop (<i>Pecten maximus</i>)	one size	10 cm and over ⁽³⁾			Regions 1 to 5 except Skagerrak/Kattegat and except ICES VIIa north of 52° 30' N and VIId	100 mm ⁽¹⁾
					ICES VIIa north of 52° 30' N and VIId	110 mm ⁽¹⁾
Common whelk (<i>Buccinum undatum</i>)	one size	4,5 cm and over ⁽³⁾			Regions 1 to 5 except Skagerrak/Kattegat	45 mm ⁽¹⁾
Striped or red mullet (<i>Mullus surmuletus</i> , <i>Mullus barbatus</i>)	1	500 g and over			Mediterranean	11 cm ⁽²⁾
	2	200 g 500 g exclusive				
	3 a	40 g to 200 g exclusive				
	3 b	18 g to 200 g exclusive				
Mediterranean	1	800 g and over				
	2	500 g to 800 g exclusive				
	3	300 g to 500 g exclusive				
	4	180 g to 300 g exclusive				
Black sea bream (<i>Spondyliosoma cantharus</i>)						

⁽¹⁾ Laid down in Council Regulation (EC) No 850/98 of 30 March 1998 for the conservation of fishery resources through technical measures for the protection of juveniles of marine organisms (OJ L 125, 27.4.1998, p.1). Regulation as last amended by Regulation (EC) No 1298/2000 (OJ L 148, 22.6.2000, p. 1).

⁽²⁾ Laid down in Regulation (EC) No 1626/94.

⁽³⁾ Shell width, measured at the widest point.'

**COUNCIL REGULATION (EC) No 2579/2000
of 17 November 2000**

amending Regulation (EC) No 2742/1999 fixing, for 2000, the fishing opportunities and associated conditions for certain fish stocks and groups of fish stocks applicable in Community waters and, for Community vessels, in waters subject to catch limits

THE COUNCIL OF THE EUROPEAN UNION,

Having regard to the Treaty establishing the European Community,

Having regard to Council Regulation (EEC) No 3760/92 of 20 December 1992 establishing a Community system for fisheries and aquaculture ⁽¹⁾, and in particular Article 8(4) thereof,

Having regard to the proposal from the Commission,

Whereas:

- (1) Council Regulation (EC) No 2742/1999 ⁽²⁾ fixes, for 2000, the fishing opportunities and associated conditions for certain fish stocks and groups of fish stocks.
- (2) Regulation (EC) No 65/98 ⁽³⁾ gave the Commission a mandate to undertake a revision of catch statistics in the International Commission for the Conservation of Atlantic Tuna (ICCAT) and to modify Community quotas for 1998 accordingly.
- (3) At its annual meeting of November 1998, ICCAT adopted a revision of the catch statistics for 1993 and 1994, which constitute the reference for the 1998 catch limitations.
- (4) At its annual meeting of November 1999, ICCAT adopted the principle that the Community had underfished its catch limitation for 1998 by 2 581 tonnes, on the basis of the revised data.

- (5) In this exceptional situation, and given the fact that this Community surplus results from the under-exploitation by some Member States of the 1998 fishing opportunities established by ICCAT, it is necessary for the surplus of 2 581 tonnes to be allocated on the basis of the respective contribution of each Member State to the generation of the 1998 Community surplus, without this amounting to a change in the allocation formula laid down by Article 2(1) of Regulation (EC) No 49/1999 ⁽⁴⁾ for the annual TAC allocation.

- (6) Regulation (EC) No 2742/1999 should be amended accordingly,

HAS ADOPTED THIS REGULATION:

Article 1

The entry concerning blue fin tuna appearing in the Annex to this Regulation shall replace the corresponding entry in Annex I F to Regulation (EC) No 2742/1999.

Article 2

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

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

Done at Brussels, 17 November 2000.

For the Council

The President

J. GLAVANY

⁽¹⁾ OJ L 389, 31.12.1992, p. 1.

⁽²⁾ OJ L 341, 31.12.1999, p. 1. Regulation as last amended by Commission Regulation (EC) No 1902/2000 (OJ L 228, 8.9.2000, p. 50).

⁽³⁾ Council Regulation (EC) No 65/98 of 19 December 1997 fixing, for certain stocks of highly migratory fish, the total allowable catches for 1998, their distribution in quotas to Member States and certain conditions under which they may be fished (OJ L 12, 19.1.1998, p. 145).

⁽⁴⁾ Council Regulation (EC) No 49/1999 of 18 December 1998 fixing, for certain stocks of highly migratory fish, the total allowable catches for 1999, their distribution in quotas to Member States and certain conditions under which they may be fished (OJ L 13, 18.1.1999, p. 54).

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Species: Blue fin tuna <i>Thunnus thynnus</i>		Zone: Atlantic Ocean, east of longitude 45° W, and Mediterranean
Greece	652	(1) Except Greece, Spain, France, Italy and Portugal, and only as by-catch. (2) TAC agreed by ICCAT.
Spain	6 365	
France	7 490	
Italy	5 899	
Portugal	705	
All Member States (1)	60	
EC	21 171	
TAC	29 500 (2)	

**COUNCIL REGULATION (EC) No 2580/2000
of 20 November 2000**

**amending Regulation (EC) No 3448/93 laying down the trade arrangements applicable to certain
goods resulting from the processing of agricultural products**

THE COUNCIL OF THE EUROPEAN UNION,

Having regard to the Treaty establishing the European Community, and in particular Articles 37 and 133 thereof,

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

Having regard to the Opinion of the European Parliament ⁽²⁾,

Having regard to the Opinion of the Economic and Social Committee ⁽³⁾,

Whereas:

- (1) Article 8 of Council Regulation (EC) No 3448/93 of 6 December 1993 laying down the trade arrangements applicable to certain goods resulting from the processing of agricultural products ⁽⁴⁾, lays down that on exportation of the goods, the agricultural products which have been used may qualify for refunds established pursuant to the regulations on the common organisation of the market in the sectors concerned. This Article should be supplemented to take account of the constraints arising from the agreement on agriculture concluded in the multilateral trade negotiations under the Uruguay Round.
- (2) In particular, there should be checks on expenditure on the basis of commitments through the issuing of certificates. However, as regards expenditure which has not been covered by obtaining a certificate or certificates, accounting of such expenditure will continue to be carried out on the basis of refund payments, if necessary in the form of an advance.
- (3) The Commission will take into consideration agricultural products processing enterprises as a whole, and, in particular, the situation of small and medium-sized enterprises, taking account of the impact of targeted measures relating to savings on export refunds.
- (4) In Europe, 2,5 million jobs depend on the sector concerned, thus constituting an important factor in social stability and regional planning. In view of their specific interests, small exporters should be exempted from submission of certificates under the export refund arrangements.

(5) Under agreements concluded in accordance with Article 300 of the Treaty, it is possible that the requirements for the processing industries in terms of agricultural raw materials may not be covered completely, under competitive conditions, by Community raw materials. Article 117(c) of Council Regulation (EEC) No 2913/92 of 12 October 1992 establishing the Community Customs Code ⁽⁵⁾ admits goods under the inward processing arrangements subject to fulfilment of the economic conditions as defined by Commission Regulation (EEC) No 2454/93 ⁽⁶⁾. Having regard to the above-mentioned agreements, there should also be provision for considering the economic conditions to have been fulfilled for the admission of certain quantities of certain agricultural products under the processing arrangements.

(6) In order to safeguard the interests of producers of agricultural raw materials, in successive financial years, the necessary appropriations should be made available so that goods not covered by Annex I to the Treaty may benefit fully from maximum use of the current WTO ceiling. There should also be overall checks, though the procedure laid down should be flexible, on the basis of a regularly revised forward estimate, of the quantities admitted under inward processing arrangements not subject to prior individual checks of the economic conditions (excluding those used for processing, the usual forms of handling or the manufacture of goods not eligible for refunds) and in compliance with the other general conditions relating to the inward processing arrangements. Finally, account should also be taken of the situation on the Community market for the commodities concerned, to ensure prudent management of the said quantities.

(7) Likewise, certain references and definitions should be updated following the codification of the Treaty establishing the European Community.

(8) The measures necessary for the implementation of Regulation (EC) No 3448/93 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 ⁽⁷⁾.

⁽¹⁾ OJ C 89 E, 28.3.2000, p. 81.

⁽²⁾ Opinion delivered on 24 October 2000 (not yet published in the Official Journal).

⁽³⁾ OJ C 117, 26.4.2000, p. 51.

⁽⁴⁾ OJ L 318, 20.12.1993, p. 18. Regulation as last amended by Commission Regulation (EC) No 2491/98 (OJ L 309, 19.11.1998, p. 28).

⁽⁵⁾ OJ L 302, 19.12.1992, p. 1. Regulation as last amended by Regulation (EC) No 955/1999 of the European Parliament and of the Council (OJ L 119, 7.5.1999, p. 1).

⁽⁶⁾ OJ L 253, 11.10.1993, p. 1. Regulation as last amended by Regulation (EC) No 1602/2000 (OJ L 188, 26.7.2000, p. 1).

⁽⁷⁾ OJ L 184, 17.7.1999, p. 23.

- (9) As a result, Regulation (EC) No 3448/93 should be amended,

HAS ADOPTED THIS REGULATION:

Article 1

Regulation (EC) No 3448/93 is hereby amended as follows:

1. Article 1(2) shall be replaced by the following:

‘2. For the purposes of this Regulation:

- “agricultural products” shall mean products covered by Annex I to the Treaty,
- “goods” shall mean products not covered by Annex I to the Treaty and listed in Annex B to this Regulation.

However, the term “goods” used in Chapter 2 of Title 1 and in Article 11 shall relate to products not covered by Annex I to the Treaty and contained in the corresponding Annexes to the Regulations on the common organisation of markets in the agricultural sector.’

2. The following paragraphs shall be added to Article 8:

‘5. Compliance with the limits arising from agreements concluded in accordance with Article 300 of the Treaty shall be ensured on the basis of certificates issued in respect of the reference periods laid down, supplemented by the amount provided for in respect of small exporters.

6. The amount below which small exporters may be exempted from presentation of certificates under the export refund arrangements shall be set at EUR 50 000 per year. This ceiling may be adjusted, in accordance with the procedure referred to in Article 16.’

3. Article 11 shall be replaced by the following:

‘Article 11

1. Admission of agricultural products under the inward processing arrangements shall be subject to a prior check on compliance with the economic conditions referred to in Article 117(c) of Regulation (EEC) No 2913/92. These conditions shall be considered fulfilled in accordance with Article 552 of Commission Regulation (EEC) No 2454/93 (*).

Moreover, and in accordance with Regulation (EEC) No 2454/93, the economic conditions referred to in Article 117(c) of Regulation (EEC) No 2913/92 shall also be considered fulfilled for certain quantities of basic products used for the manufacture of goods. These quantities shall be determined with the aid of a balance drawn up by the Commission, based on a comparison between the required available funds and the forecast refund requirements, and taking account, in particular, of the estimated volume of

exports of the goods concerned and the internal and external market situation of the relevant basic products. This balance, and hence these quantities, shall be reviewed at regular intervals in order to take account of developments in economic and regulatory factors.

The detailed rules for the application of the second subparagraph, making it possible to determine the basic products to be admitted under inward processing arrangements and check and plan the quantities thereof, shall guarantee greater clarity for operators through prior publication of indicative import quantities for each individual COM. These shall be published on a regular basis, depending on the use of such quantities. The detailed application rules shall be adopted in accordance with the procedure referred to in Article 16.

The term “basic product” used in this Article shall concern the products listed by CN code in the table in Annex A, including solely footnote 1 concerning cereals.

2. The quantity of goods, admitted under inward processing arrangements other than those referred to in the second subparagraph of paragraph 1 and therefore not subject to the charge provided for in Article 2 for the purpose of, or as a result of, exporting other goods shall be that actually used in the manufacture of the goods.

(*) OJ L 253, 11.10.1993, p. 1. Regulation as last amended by Regulation (EC) No 1602/2000 (OJ L 188, 26.7.2000, p. 1).’

4. Article 15 shall be deleted.

5. Article 16 shall be replaced by the following:

‘Article 16

1. The Commission shall be assisted by a committee on horizontal questions concerning trade in processed agricultural products not listed in Annex I (hereinafter referred to as “the Committee”).

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

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

3. The Committee shall adopt its rules of procedure.’

Article 2

The Commission shall submit a report to the European Parliament and to the Council at the end of the first year of implementation of the amendments which this Regulation has made to Regulation (EC) No 3448/93 with regard to inward processing arrangements.

Article 3

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

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

Done at Brussels, 20 November 2000.

For the Council

The President

J. GLAVANY

COMMISSION REGULATION (EC) No 2581/2000
of 24 November 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 25 November 2000.

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

Done at Brussels, 24 November 2000.

For the Commission

Franz FISCHLER

Member of the Commission

⁽¹⁾ OJ L 337, 24.12.1994, p. 66.

⁽²⁾ OJ L 198, 15.7.1998, p. 4.

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to the Commission Regulation of 24 November 2000 establishing the standard import values for determining the entry price of certain fruit and vegetables

(EUR/100 kg)

CN code	Third country code ⁽¹⁾	Standard import value
0702 00 00	052	105,5
	204	112,8
	999	109,2
0707 00 05	052	116,0
	999	116,0
0709 90 70	052	82,0
	999	82,0
0805 20 10	204	74,4
	999	74,4
0805 20 30, 0805 20 50, 0805 20 70, 0805 20 90	052	65,8
	999	65,8
	052	67,9
0805 30 10	528	28,7
	600	74,2
	999	56,9
	052	76,5
	400	80,2
0808 10 20, 0808 10 50, 0808 10 90	404	103,0
	999	86,6
	052	78,4
	064	59,4
	388	78,5
0808 20 50	400	85,3
	999	75,4

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

COMMISSION REGULATION (EC) No 2582/2000
of 24 November 2000
prohibiting fishing for cod by vessels flying the flag of Spain

THE COMMISSION OF THE EUROPEAN COMMUNITIES,

Having regard to the Treaty establishing the European Community,

Having regard to Council Regulation (EEC) No 2847/93 of 12 October 1993 establishing a control system applicable to the common fisheries policy ⁽¹⁾, as last amended by Regulation (EC) No 2846/98 ⁽²⁾, and in particular Article 21(3) thereof,

Whereas:

- (1) Council Regulation (EC) No 2742/1999 of 17 December 1999 fixing for 2000 the fishing opportunities and associated conditions for certain fish stocks and groups of fish stocks, applicable in Community waters and, for Community vessels, in waters where limitations in catch are required and amending Regulation (EC) No 66/98 ⁽³⁾, as last amended by Regulation (EC) No 2517/2000 ⁽⁴⁾, lays down quotas for cod for 2000.
- (2) In order to ensure compliance with the provisions relating to the quantity limits on catches of stocks subject to quotas, the Commission must fix the date by which catches made by vessels flying the flag of a Member State are deemed to have exhausted the quota allocated.
- (3) According to the information received by the Commission, catches of cod in the waters of ICES divisions I and IIb by vessels flying the flag of Spain or registered in

Spain have exhausted the quota allocated for 2000. Spain has prohibited fishing for this stock from 19 September 2000. This date should be adopted in this Regulation also,

HAS ADOPTED THIS REGULATION:

Article 1

Catches of cod in the waters of ICES divisions I and IIb by vessels flying the flag of Spain or registered in Spain are hereby deemed to have exhausted the quota allocated to Spain for 2000.

Fishing for cod in the waters of ICES divisions I and IIb by vessels flying the flag of Spain or registered in Spain is hereby prohibited, as are the retention on board, transshipment and landing of this stock caught by the above vessels after the date of application of this Regulation.

Article 2

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

It shall apply from 19 September 2000.

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

Done at Brussels, 24 November 2000.

For the Commission

Franz FISCHLER

Member of the Commission

⁽¹⁾ OJ L 261, 20.10.1993, p. 1.

⁽²⁾ OJ L 358, 31.12.1998, p. 5.

⁽³⁾ OJ L 341, 31.12.1999, p. 1.

⁽⁴⁾ OJ L 290, 17.11.2000, p. 3.

COMMISSION REGULATION (EC) No 2583/2000
of 24 November 2000
altering the export refunds on beef

THE COMMISSION OF THE EUROPEAN COMMUNITIES,

Having regard to the Treaty establishing the European Community,

Having regard to Council Regulation (EC) No 1254/1999 of 17 May 1999 on the common organisation of the market in beef and veal ⁽¹⁾, and in particular Article 33 thereof,

Whereas:

- (1) The export refunds on beef were fixed by Commission Regulation (EC) No 2556/2000 ⁽²⁾.
- (2) It follows from applying the detailed rules contained in Regulation (EC) No 2556/2000 to the information known to the Commission that the export refunds for

the products listed in the Annex hereto should be altered to the amounts set out therein,

HAS ADOPTED THIS REGULATION:

Article 1

The export refunds referred to in Article 33 of Regulation (EC) No 1254/1999, as fixed in the Annex to Regulation (EC) No 2556/2000, are hereby altered, in respect of the products set out in the Annex hereto, to the amounts set out therein.

Article 2

This Regulation shall enter into force on 25 November 2000.

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

Done at Brussels, 24 November 2000.

For the Commission

Franz FISCHLER

Member of the Commission

⁽¹⁾ OJ L 160, 26.6.1999, p. 21.

⁽²⁾ OJ L 292, 21.11.2000, p. 20.

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to the Commission Regulation of 24 November 2000 amending export refunds on beef

Product code	Destination	Unit of measurement	Refunds (')
0102 10 10 9120	A00	EUR/100 kg live weight	53,00
0102 10 10 9130	B02	EUR/100 kg live weight	15,50
	B03	EUR/100 kg live weight	9,50
	039	EUR/100 kg live weight	5,00
0102 10 30 9120	A00	EUR/100 kg live weight	53,00
0102 10 30 9130	B02	EUR/100 kg live weight	15,50
	B03	EUR/100 kg live weight	9,50
	039	EUR/100 kg live weight	5,00
0102 10 90 9120	A00	EUR/100 kg live weight	53,00
0102 90 41 9100	B02	EUR/100 kg live weight	41,00
0102 90 51 9000	B02	EUR/100 kg live weight	15,50
	B03	EUR/100 kg live weight	9,50
	039	EUR/100 kg live weight	5,00
0102 90 59 9000	B02	EUR/100 kg live weight	15,50
	B03	EUR/100 kg live weight	9,50
	039	EUR/100 kg live weight	5,00
	075 ⁽⁹⁾	EUR/100 kg live weight	41,00
0102 90 61 9000	B02	EUR/100 kg live weight	15,50
	B03	EUR/100 kg live weight	9,50
	039	EUR/100 kg live weight	5,00
0102 90 69 9000	B02	EUR/100 kg live weight	15,50
	B03	EUR/100 kg live weight	9,50
	039	EUR/100 kg live weight	5,00
0102 90 71 9000	B02	EUR/100 kg live weight	41,00
	B03	EUR/100 kg live weight	23,00
	039	EUR/100 kg live weight	14,00
0102 90 79 9000	B02	EUR/100 kg live weight	41,00
	B03	EUR/100 kg live weight	23,00
	039	EUR/100 kg live weight	14,00
0201 10 00 9110 ⁽¹⁾	B02	EUR/100 kg net weight	71,50
	B03	EUR/100 kg net weight	43,00
	039	EUR/100 kg net weight	23,50
0201 10 00 9120	B02	EUR/100 kg net weight	33,50
	B03	EUR/100 kg net weight	10,00
	039	EUR/100 kg net weight	11,50
0201 10 00 9130 ⁽¹⁾	B02	EUR/100 kg net weight	97,00
	B03	EUR/100 kg net weight	56,50
	039	EUR/100 kg net weight	33,50
0201 10 00 9140	B02	EUR/100 kg net weight	46,00
	B03	EUR/100 kg net weight	14,00
	039	EUR/100 kg net weight	16,00
0201 20 20 9110 ⁽¹⁾	B02	EUR/100 kg net weight	97,00
	B03	EUR/100 kg net weight	56,50
	039	EUR/100 kg net weight	33,50

Product code	Destination	Unit of measurement	Refunds (°)
0201 20 20 9120	B02	EUR/100 kg net weight	46,00
	B03	EUR/100 kg net weight	14,00
	039	EUR/100 kg net weight	16,00
0201 20 30 9110 ⁽¹⁾	B02	EUR/100 kg net weight	71,50
	B03	EUR/100 kg net weight	43,00
	039	EUR/100 kg net weight	23,50
0201 20 30 9120	B02	EUR/100 kg net weight	33,50
	B03	EUR/100 kg net weight	10,00
	039	EUR/100 kg net weight	11,50
0201 20 50 9110 ⁽¹⁾	B02	EUR/100 kg net weight	123,00
	B03	EUR/100 kg net weight	71,50
	039	EUR/100 kg net weight	41,00
0201 20 50 9120	B02	EUR/100 kg net weight	58,50
	B03	EUR/100 kg net weight	17,50
	039	EUR/100 kg net weight	19,50
0201 20 50 9130 ⁽¹⁾	B02	EUR/100 kg net weight	71,50
	B03	EUR/100 kg net weight	43,00
	039	EUR/100 kg net weight	23,50
0201 20 50 9140	B02	EUR/100 kg net weight	33,50
	B03	EUR/100 kg net weight	10,00
	039	EUR/100 kg net weight	11,50
0201 20 90 9700	B02	EUR/100 kg net weight	33,50
	B03	EUR/100 kg net weight	10,00
	039	EUR/100 kg net weight	11,50
0201 30 00 9050	400 ⁽³⁾	EUR/100 kg net weight	23,50
	404 ⁽⁴⁾	EUR/100 kg net weight	23,50
0201 30 00 9060 ⁽⁶⁾	B02	EUR/100 kg net weight	46,00
	B03	EUR/100 kg net weight	13,00
	039	EUR/100 kg net weight	15,00
	809, 822	EUR/100 kg net weight	37,00
0201 30 00 9100 ⁽²⁾ ⁽⁶⁾	B02	EUR/100 kg net weight	172,00
	B03	EUR/100 kg net weight	102,00
	039	EUR/100 kg net weight	60,00
	809, 822	EUR/100 kg net weight	152,50
0201 30 00 9120 ⁽²⁾ ⁽⁶⁾	B08	EUR/100 kg net weight	94,50
	B09	EUR/100 kg net weight	88,00
	B03	EUR/100 kg net weight	56,50
	039	EUR/100 kg net weight	33,00
	809, 822	EUR/100 kg net weight	83,50
0202 10 00 9100	B02	EUR/100 kg net weight	33,50
	B03	EUR/100 kg net weight	10,00
	039	EUR/100 kg net weight	11,50
0202 10 00 9900	B02	EUR/100 kg net weight	46,00
	B03	EUR/100 kg net weight	14,00
	039	EUR/100 kg net weight	16,00
0202 20 10 9000	B02	EUR/100 kg net weight	46,00
	B03	EUR/100 kg net weight	14,00
	039	EUR/100 kg net weight	16,00
0202 20 30 9000	B02	EUR/100 kg net weight	33,50
	B03	EUR/100 kg net weight	10,00
	039	EUR/100 kg net weight	11,50

Product code	Destination	Unit of measurement	Refunds (°)
0202 20 50 9100	B02	EUR/100 kg net weight	58,50
	B03	EUR/100 kg net weight	17,50
	039	EUR/100 kg net weight	19,50
0202 20 50 9900	B02	EUR/100 kg net weight	33,50
	B03	EUR/100 kg net weight	10,00
	039	EUR/100 kg net weight	11,50
0202 20 90 9100	B02	EUR/100 kg net weight	33,50
	B03	EUR/100 kg net weight	10,00
	039	EUR/100 kg net weight	11,50
0202 30 90 9100	400 ⁽³⁾	EUR/100 kg net weight	23,50
	404 ⁽⁴⁾	EUR/100 kg net weight	23,50
0202 30 90 9200 ⁽⁶⁾	B02	EUR/100 kg net weight	46,00
	B03	EUR/100 kg net weight	13,00
	039	EUR/100 kg net weight	15,00
	809, 822	EUR/100 kg net weight	37,00
0206 10 95 9000	B02	EUR/100 kg net weight	46,00
	B03	EUR/100 kg net weight	13,00
	039	EUR/100 kg net weight	15,00
	809, 822	EUR/100 kg net weight	37,00
0206 29 91 9000	B02	EUR/100 kg net weight	46,00
	B03	EUR/100 kg net weight	13,00
	039	EUR/100 kg net weight	15,00
	809, 822	EUR/100 kg net weight	37,00
0210 20 90 9100	039	EUR/100 kg net weight	23,00
1602 50 10 9170 ⁽⁸⁾	B02	EUR/100 kg net weight	22,50
	B03	EUR/100 kg net weight	15,00
	039	EUR/100 kg net weight	17,50
1602 50 31 9125 ⁽⁵⁾	A00	EUR/100 kg net weight	88,50
1602 50 31 9325 ⁽⁵⁾	A00	EUR/100 kg net weight	79,00
1602 50 39 9125 ⁽⁵⁾	A00	EUR/100 kg net weight	88,50
1602 50 39 9325 ⁽⁵⁾	A00	EUR/100 kg net weight	79,00
1602 50 39 9425 ⁽⁵⁾	A00	EUR/100 kg net weight	30,00
1602 50 39 9525 ⁽⁵⁾	A00	EUR/100 kg net weight	30,00
1602 50 80 9535 ⁽⁸⁾	A00	EUR/100 kg net weight	17,50

⁽¹⁾ Entry under this subheading is subject to the submission of the certificate appearing in the Annex to amended Commission Regulation (EEC) No 32/82.

⁽²⁾ The refund is granted subject to compliance with the conditions laid down in amended Regulation (EEC) No 1964/82.

⁽³⁾ Carried out in accordance with amended Commission Regulation (EEC) No 2973/79 (OJ L 336, 29.12.1979, p. 44).

⁽⁴⁾ Carried out in accordance with amended Commission Regulation (EC) No 2051/96 (OJ L 274, 26.10.1996, p. 18).

⁽⁵⁾ OJ L 221, 18.8.1984, p. 28.

⁽⁶⁾ The lean bovine meat content excluding fat is determined in accordance with the procedure described in the Annex to Commission Regulation (EEC) No 2429/86 (OJ L 210, 1.8.1986, p. 39).

The term 'average content' refers to the sample quantity as defined in Article 2(1) of Regulation (EC) No 2457/97 (OJ L 340, 11.12.1997, p. 29). The sample is to be taken from that part of the consignment presenting the highest risk.

⁽⁷⁾ Article 33(10) of amended Regulation (EC) No 1254/1999 provides that no export refunds shall be granted on products imported from third countries and re-exported to third countries.

⁽⁸⁾ The refund is granted only on products manufactured under the arrangement provided for in Article 4 of amended Council Regulation (EEC) No 565/80.

⁽⁹⁾ The grant of the refund is subject to compliance with the conditions referred to in Article 2 of this Regulation.

NB: The product codes and the 'A' series destination codes are set out in Commission Regulation (EEC) No 3846/87 (OJ L 366, 24.12.1987, p. 1) as amended.

The numeric destination codes are set out in Regulation (EC) No 2543/1999 (OJ L 307, 2.12.1999, p. 46).

The other destinations are defined as follows:

B02: B08 and B09

B03: Ceuta, Melilla, Iceland, Norway, Faroe Islands, Andorra, Gibraltar, Vatican, Estonia, Latvia, Lithuania, Poland, Czech Republic, Slovakia, Hungary, Romania, Bulgaria, Albania, Slovenia, Croatia, Bosnia and Herzegovina, Yugoslavia, Former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia, the communes of Livigno and Campione d'Italia, Helgoland, Greenland, Cyprus, stores and provisions (destinations referred to in Articles 36 and 45, and if appropriate in Article 44, of Commission Regulation (EC) No 800/1999, as amended)

B08: Malta, Turkey, Ukraine, Belarus, Moldova, Russia, Georgia, Armenia, Azerbaijan, Kazakhstan, Turkmenistan, Uzbekistan, Tajikistan, Kyrgyzstan, Morocco, Algeria, Tunisia, Libya, Egypt, Lebanon, Syria, Iraq, Iran, Israel, West Bank/Gaza Strip, Jordan, Saudi Arabia, Kuwait, Bahrain, Qatar, United Arab Emirates, Oman, Yemen, Pakistan, Sri Lanka, Myanmar (Burma), Thailand, Vietnam, Indonesia, Philippines, China, North Korea, Hong Kong

B09: Sudan, Mauritania, Mali, Burkina Faso, Niger, Chad, Cape Verde, Senegal, Gambia, Guinea-Bissau, Guinea, Sierra Leone, Liberia, Côte d'Ivoire, Ghana, Togo, Benin, Nigeria, Cameroon, Central African Republic, Equatorial Guinea, São Tomé and Príncipe, Gabon, Congo (Republic), Congo (Democratic Republic), Rwanda, Burundi, Saint Helena and dependencies, Angola, Ethiopia, Eritrea, Djibouti, Somalia, Uganda, Tanzania, Seychelles and dependencies, British Indian Ocean Territory, Mozambique, Mauritius, Comoros, Mayotte, Zambia, Malawi, South Africa, Lesotho.

**COMMISSION REGULATION (EC) No 2584/2000
of 24 November 2000**

**establishing a system for the communication of information on certain supplies of beef, veal and
pigmeat by road to the territory of the Russian Federation**

THE COMMISSION OF THE EUROPEAN COMMUNITIES,

Having regard to the Treaty establishing the European Community,

Having regard to Council Regulation (EC) No 1254/1999 of 17 May 1999 on the common organisation of the market in beef and veal ⁽¹⁾ and in particular Articles 33(12) and 41 thereof, and to the corresponding provisions of the other regulations on the common organisation of the markets in agricultural products,

Whereas:

- (1) Article 2 of the protocol on mutual administrative assistance for the correct application of customs legislation annexed to the Partnership and Cooperation Agreement between the European Communities and their Member States, of the one part, and the Russian Federation, of the other part ⁽²⁾, provides that the parties are to assist each other in ensuring that customs legislation is correctly applied, in particular by the prevention, detection and investigation of contraventions of that legislation. To implement that administrative assistance, the Commission, represented by the European Anti-Fraud Office (hereinafter referred to as 'OLAF') and the Russian authorities have concluded an arrangement establishing a mechanism for the communication of information on movements of goods between the Community and the Russian Federation.
- (2) As part of that administrative assistance, specifically in relation to the transport by road of beef, veal and pigmeat products bound for the Russian Federation, the information which operators must forward to the competent authorities of the Member States and the system for communicating that information between the competent authorities of the Member States, OLAF and the Russian authorities must be laid down.
- (3) That information and the system of communication introduced will make it possible to trace exports of the products concerned to the Russian Federation and, where appropriate, detect cases in which a refund is not due and must be recovered.
- (4) Application of the provisions of this Regulation will be evaluated after a significant period of operation. The review carried out on that basis may, where appropriate, lead to their extension to exports of other products and other means of transport and involve financial consequences where obligations are or are not met.

- (5) The measures provided for in this Regulation are in accordance with the opinions of the Management Committees concerned,

HAS ADOPTED THIS REGULATION:

Article 1

This Regulation shall apply to consignments by truck of beef, veal and pigment products falling within CN codes 0201, 0202 and 0203 bound for the territory of the Russian Federation for which the export declarations are accompanied by an export refund application.

This Regulation shall not apply to consignments as referred to in the first subparagraph of a quantity less than 3 000 kilograms.

Article 2

Exporters shall communicate to the central body designated by each Member State of export, for each export declaration, within four working days of the date of unloading of the products in Russia, the following information:

- (a) a description of the goods, indicating the eight-figure product code of the combined nomenclature;
- (b) the export declaration number;
- (c) the net quantity in kilograms;
- (d) the TIR carnet number or the reference number of the Russian customs transit document;
- (e) the Member State of export, the customs office of departure and the date on which the export customs formalities were completed;
- (f) the licence number of the warehouse under customs supervision to which the product was delivered in Russia;
- (g) the date of delivery of the product to the warehouse under customs supervision in Russia.

Article 3

1. The body in the Member State concerned referred to in Article 2 shall forward the information it receives to OLAF by electronic mail within two working days of the date of receipt.

2. The information referred to in Article 2, and an identification number for each export operation, shall be sent by OLAF to the Russian customs authorities upon receipt.

⁽¹⁾ OJ L 160, 26.6.1999, p. 21.

⁽²⁾ OJ L 327, 28.11.1997, p. 48.

3. OLAF shall inform the central body in the Member State concerned, as appropriate, of the Russian customs authorities' reply, within two working days of receipt of that reply; or of the failure by those authorities to reply, within two working days of the end of the three-week period laid down for a reply by the Russian authorities under the administrative arrangement concluded with them.

Article 4

1. The information referred to in Articles 1 and 2 shall not constitute additional requirements to those laid down for the grant of export refunds in the sectors concerned.

2. The information communication system established by this Regulation shall be evaluated after an effective period of application of six months.

Article 5

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

2. It shall apply to consignments for which the export declarations referred to in Article 1 are accepted from 1 February 2001.

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

Done at Brussels, 24 November 2000.

For the Commission

Franz FISCHLER

Member of the Commission

COMMISSION REGULATION (EC) No 2585/2000**of 24 November 2000****fixing the maximum export refund on wholly milled round grain rice in connection with the invitation to tender issued in Regulation (EC) No 2281/2000**

THE COMMISSION OF THE EUROPEAN COMMUNITIES,

Having regard to the Treaty establishing the European Community,

Having regard to Council Regulation (EC) No 3072/95 of 22 December 1995 on the common organization of the market in rice ⁽¹⁾, as last amended by Regulation (EC) No 1667/2000 ⁽²⁾, and in particular Article 13 (3) thereof,

Whereas:

- (1) An invitation to tender for the export refund on rice was issued pursuant to Commission Regulation (EC) No 2281/2000 ⁽³⁾.
- (2) Article 5 of Commission Regulation (EEC) No 584/75 ⁽⁴⁾, as last amended by Regulation (EC) No 299/95 ⁽⁵⁾, allows the Commission to fix, in accordance with the procedure laid down in Article 22 of Regulation (EC) No 3072/95 and on the basis of the tenders submitted, a maximum export refund. In fixing this maximum, the criteria provided for in Article 13 of Regulation (EC) No 3072/95 must be taken into account. A contract is awarded to any tenderer whose tender is equal to or less than the maximum export refund.

(3) The application of the abovementioned criteria to the current market situation for the rice in question results in the maximum export refund being fixed at the amount specified in Article 1.

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

HAS ADOPTED THIS REGULATION:

Article 1

The maximum export refund on wholly milled round grain rice to be exported to certain third countries pursuant to the invitation to tender issued in Regulation (EC) No 2281/2000 is hereby fixed on the basis of the tenders submitted from 17 to 23 November 2000 at 176,00 EUR/t.

Article 2

This Regulation shall enter into force on 25 November 2000.

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

Done at Brussels, 24 November 2000.

For the Commission

Franz FISCHLER

Member of the Commission

⁽¹⁾ OJ L 329, 30.12.1995, p. 18.

⁽²⁾ OJ L 193, 29.7.2000, p. 3.

⁽³⁾ OJ L 260, 14.10.2000, p. 7.

⁽⁴⁾ OJ L 61, 7.3.1975, p. 25.

⁽⁵⁾ OJ L 35, 15.2.1995, p. 8.

COMMISSION REGULATION (EC) No 2586/2000**of 24 November 2000****fixing the maximum export refund on wholly milled medium grain and long grain A rice in connection with the invitation to tender issued in Regulation (EC) No 2282/2000**

THE COMMISSION OF THE EUROPEAN COMMUNITIES,

Having regard to the Treaty establishing the European Community,

Having regard to Council Regulation (EC) No 3072/95 of 22 December 1995 on the common organization of the market in rice ⁽¹⁾, as last amended by Regulation (EC) No 1667/2000 ⁽²⁾, and in particular Article 13 (3) thereof,

Whereas:

- (1) An invitation to tender for the export refund on rice was issued pursuant to Commission Regulation (EC) No 2282/2000 ⁽³⁾.
- (2) Article 5 of Commission Regulation (EEC) No 584/75 ⁽⁴⁾, as last amended by Regulation (EC) No 299/95 ⁽⁵⁾, allows the Commission to fix, in accordance with the procedure laid down in Article 22 of Regulation (EC) No 3072/95 and on the basis of the tenders submitted, a maximum export refund. In fixing this maximum, the criteria provided for in Article 13 of Regulation (EC) No 3072/95 must be taken into account. A contract is awarded to any tenderer whose tender is equal to or less than the maximum export refund.

(3) The application of the abovementioned criteria to the current market situation for the rice in question results in the maximum export refund being fixed at the amount specified in Article 1.

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

HAS ADOPTED THIS REGULATION:

Article 1

The maximum export refund on wholly milled medium grain and long grain A rice to be exported to certain European third countries pursuant to the invitation to tender issued in Regulation (EC) No 2282/2000 is hereby fixed on the basis of the tenders submitted from 17 to 23 November 2000 at 180,00 EUR/t.

Article 2

This Regulation shall enter into force on 25 November 2000.

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

Done at Brussels, 24 November 2000.

For the Commission

Franz FISCHLER

Member of the Commission

⁽¹⁾ OJ L 329, 30.12.1995, p. 18.

⁽²⁾ OJ L 193, 29.7.2000, p. 3.

⁽³⁾ OJ L 260, 14.10.2000, p. 10.

⁽⁴⁾ OJ L 61, 7.3.1975, p. 25.

⁽⁵⁾ OJ L 35, 15.2.1995, p. 8.

**COMMISSION REGULATION (EC) No 2587/2000
of 24 November 2000**

**fixing the maximum export refund on wholly milled round grain, medium grain and long grain A
rice in connection with the invitation to tender issued in Regulation (EC) No 2283/2000**

THE COMMISSION OF THE EUROPEAN COMMUNITIES,

Having regard to the Treaty establishing the European Community,

Having regard to Council Regulation (EC) No 3072/95 of 22 December 1995 on the common organisation of the market in rice ⁽¹⁾, as last amended by Regulation (EC) No 1667/2000 ⁽²⁾, and in particular Article 13(3) thereof,

Whereas:

- (1) An invitation to tender for the export refund on rice was issued pursuant to Commission Regulation (EC) No 2283/2000 ⁽³⁾.
- (2) Article 5 of Commission Regulation (EEC) No 584/75 ⁽⁴⁾, as last amended by Regulation (EC) No 299/95 ⁽⁵⁾, allows the Commission to fix, in accordance with the procedure laid down in Article 22 of Regulation (EC) No 3072/95 and on the basis of the tenders submitted, a maximum export refund. In fixing this maximum, the criteria provided for in Article 13 of Regulation (EC) No 3072/95 must be taken into account. A contract is awarded to any tenderer whose tender is equal to or less than the maximum export refund.

(3) The application of the abovementioned criteria to the current market situation for the rice in question results in the maximum export refund being fixed at the amount specified in Article 1.

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

HAS ADOPTED THIS REGULATION:

Article 1

The maximum export refund on wholly milled grain, medium grain and long grain A rice to be exported to certain third countries pursuant to the invitation to tender issued in Regulation (EC) No 2283/2000 is hereby fixed on the basis of the tenders submitted from 17 to 23 November 2000 at 178,00 EUR/t.

Article 2

This Regulation shall enter into force on 25 November 2000.

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

Done at Brussels, 24 November 2000.

For the Commission

Franz FISCHLER

Member of the Commission

⁽¹⁾ OJ L 329, 30.12.1995, p. 18.

⁽²⁾ OJ L 193, 29.7.2000, p. 3.

⁽³⁾ OJ L 260, 14.10.2000, p. 13.

⁽⁴⁾ OJ L 61, 7.3.1975, p. 25.

⁽⁵⁾ OJ L 35, 15.2.1995, p. 8.

COMMISSION REGULATION (EC) No 2588/2000**of 24 November 2000****fixing the maximum export refund on wholly milled long grain rice in connection with the invitation to tender issued in Regulation (EC) No 2284/2000**

THE COMMISSION OF THE EUROPEAN COMMUNITIES,

Having regard to the Treaty establishing the European Community,

Having regard to Council Regulation (EC) No 3072/95 of 22 December 1995 on the common organisation of the market in rice ⁽¹⁾, as last amended by Regulation (EC) No 1667/2000 ⁽²⁾, and in particular Article 13 (3) thereof,

Whereas:

- (1) An invitation to tender for the export refund on rice was issued pursuant to Commission Regulation (EC) No 2284/2000 ⁽³⁾.
- (2) Article 5 of Commission Regulation (EEC) No 584/75 ⁽⁴⁾, as last amended by Regulation (EC) No 299/95 ⁽⁵⁾, allows the Commission to fix, in accordance with the procedure laid down in Article 22 of Regulation (EC) No 3072/95 and on the basis of the tenders submitted, a maximum export refund. In fixing this maximum, the criteria provided for in Article 13 of Regulation (EC) No 3072/95 must be taken into account. A contract is awarded to any tenderer whose tender is equal to or less than the maximum export refund.

(3) The application of the abovementioned criteria to the current market situation for the rice in question results in the maximum export refund being fixed at the amount specified in Article 1.

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

HAS ADOPTED THIS REGULATION:

Article 1

The maximum export refund on wholly milled long grain rice falling within CN code 1006 30 67 to be exported to certain third countries pursuant to the invitation to tender issued in Regulation (EC) No 2284/2000 is hereby fixed on the basis of the tenders submitted from 17 to 23 November 2000 at 259,00 EUR/t.

Article 2

This Regulation shall enter into force on 25 November 2000.

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

Done at Brussels, 24 November 2000.

For the Commission

Franz FISCHLER

Member of the Commission

⁽¹⁾ OJ L 329, 30.12.1995, p. 18.

⁽²⁾ OJ L 193, 29.7.2000, p. 3.

⁽³⁾ OJ L 260, 14.10.2000, p. 16.

⁽⁴⁾ OJ L 61, 7.3.1975, p. 25.

⁽⁵⁾ OJ L 35, 15.2.1995, p. 8.

**COMMISSION REGULATION (EC) No 2589/2000
of 24 November 2000**

**fixing the maximum subsidy on exports of husked long grain rice to Réunion pursuant to the
invitation to tender referred to in Regulation (EC) No 2285/2000**

THE COMMISSION OF THE EUROPEAN COMMUNITIES,

Having regard to the Treaty establishing the European Community,

Having regard to Council Regulation (EC) No 3072/95 of 22 December 1995 on the common organisation of the market in rice ⁽¹⁾, as last amended by Regulation (EC) No 1667/2000 ⁽²⁾, and in particular Article 10(1) thereof,

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

Whereas:

- (1) Commission Regulation (EC) No 2285/2000 ⁽⁵⁾ opens an invitation to tender for the subsidy on rice exported to Réunion.
- (2) Article 9 of Regulation (EEC) No 2692/89 allows the Commission to fix, in accordance with the procedure laid down in Article 22 of Regulation (EC) No 3072/95 and on the basis of the tenders submitted, a maximum subsidy.

(3) The criteria laid down in Articles 2 and 3 of Regulation (EEC) No 2692/89 should be taken into account when fixing this maximum subsidy. Successful tenderers shall be those whose bids are at or below the level of the maximum subsidy.

(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

A maximum subsidy on exports to Réunion of husked long grain rice falling within CN code 1006 20 98 is hereby set on the basis of the tenders lodged from 20 to 23 November 2000 at 277,00 EUR/t pursuant to the invitation to tender referred to in Regulation (EC) No 2285/2000.

Article 2

This Regulation shall enter into force on 25 November 2000.

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

Done at Brussels, 24 November 2000.

For the Commission

Franz FISCHLER

Member of the Commission

⁽¹⁾ OJ L 329, 30.12.1995, p. 18.

⁽²⁾ OJ L 193, 29.7.2000, p. 3.

⁽³⁾ OJ L 261, 7.9.1989, p. 8.

⁽⁴⁾ OJ L 167, 2.7.1999, p. 19.

⁽⁵⁾ OJ L 260, 14.10.2000, p. 19.

II

(Acts whose publication is not obligatory)

COUNCIL

COUNCIL DECISION
of 20 November 2000
amending Decision 1999/70/EC concerning the external auditors of the national central banks
(2000/737/EC)

THE COUNCIL OF THE EUROPEAN UNION,

Having regard to the Treaty establishing the European Community, and in particular Article 122(2) thereof,

Having regard to the Statute of the European System of Central Banks and of the European Central Bank, and in particular to Article 27(1) thereof,

Having regard to the recommendation of the European Central Bank (hereinafter referred to as the ECB) of 5 October 2000,

Whereas:

- (1) The accounts of the ECB and of the national central banks are to be audited by independent external auditors recommended by the Governing Council of the ECB and approved by the Council of the European Union.
- (2) Pursuant to Decision 2000/427/EC ⁽¹⁾, Greece having fulfilled the necessary conditions for the adoption of the single currency on 1 January 2001, the derogation of Greece referred to in recital 4 of Decision 98/317/EC ⁽²⁾ has been abrogated, with effect from 1 January 2001.
- (3) Following the abrogation of the derogation of Greece, the Governing Council of the ECB recommended that the Council approve as external auditors for the Bank of Greece for the annual accounts starting from the financial year 2001: Ernst & Young (Hellas) Certified Auditors SA and Mr Charalambos Stathakis, a registered certified public accountant.

- (4) It is appropriate to follow the recommendation of the Governing Council and to amend Decision 1999/70/EC ⁽³⁾ accordingly,

HAS DECIDED AS FOLLOWS:

Article 1

The following paragraph shall be added to Article 1 of Decision 1999/70/EC:

‘12. Ernst & Young (Hellas) Certified Auditors SA and Mr Charalambos Stathakis, a registered certified public accountant, are hereby approved as the external auditors of the Bank of Greece for the annual accounts starting from the financial year 2001.’

Article 2

This Decision shall be notified to the ECB.

Article 3

This Decision shall be published in the *Official Journal of the European Communities*.

Done at Brussels, 20 November 2000.

For the Council
The President
H. VÉDRINE

⁽¹⁾ OJ L 167, 7.7.2000, p. 19.
⁽²⁾ OJ L 139, 11.5.1998, p. 30.

⁽³⁾ OJ L 22, 29.1.1999, p. 69. Decision as amended by Decision 2000/223/EC (OJ L 71, 18.3.2000, p. 24).

COMMISSION

COMMISSION DECISION

of 17 November 2000

concerning a questionnaire for Member States reports on the implementation of Directive 1999/31/EC on the landfill of waste

(notified under document number C(2000) 3318)

(2000/738/EC)

THE COMMISSION OF THE EUROPEAN COMMUNITIES,

Having regard to the Treaty establishing the European Community,

Having regard to Council Directive 1999/31/EC of 26 April 1999 on the landfill of waste ⁽¹⁾, in particular Article 15,

Whereas:

- (1) Article 15 of Directive 1999/31/EC requires Member States to send to the Commission a report on the implementation of this Directive.
- (2) This report shall be drawn up on the basis of a questionnaire or outline drafted by the Commission in accordance with the procedure laid down in Article 6 of Council Directive 91/692/EEC ⁽²⁾.
- (3) The first report will cover the period from 16 July 2001 to 2003.
- (4) The measures provided for in this Decision are in accordance with the opinion of the Committee estab-

lished in accordance with Article 6 of Directive 91/692/EEC,

HAS ADOPTED THIS DECISION:

Article 1

The questionnaire in the Annex is hereby adopted.

Article 2

This Decision is addressed to the Member States.

Done at Brussels, 17 November 2000.

For the Commission

Margot WALLSTRÖM

Member of the Commission

⁽¹⁾ OJ L 182, 16.7.1999, p. 1.

⁽²⁾ OJ L 377, 23.12.1991, p. 48.

ANNEX

QUESTIONNAIRE

for the report of the Member States on the transposition and implementation of Directive 99/31/EC on the landfill of waste

There is no need to repeat information already supplied, but please indicate where and when that information was provided.

I. Transposition into national law

1. What are the current laws and regulations in force to transpose the Directive into national law? For those Member States where regional entities have responsibilities in making provisions on landfills, these provisions also need to be sent. Please indicate precisely where each provision of the Directive has been transposed.
2. Give general information on the use of collected landfill gas to produce energy including the measures to minimise damage to or deterioration of the environment and risk to human health through collection, treatment and use of landfill gas.
3. Give a general description of the measures provided to minimise nuisances and hazards pursuant to Annex I, Section 5?
4. Have lists or criteria been set for waste to be accepted or refused at each landfill class? If yes, have these lists or criteria as well as the limit values and analysis methods been sent to the Commission?
5. Supply information on the collection method for meteorological data as referred to in Annex III, Section 2.
6. Give a short description of the general system for the monitoring of leachate, surface water and potential gas emissions and atmospheric pressure as referred to in Annex III, Section 3.
7. Give general information on landfill sites for which the measurement of volume and composition of surface water provided in Annex II, Section 3 was deemed not to be required.

II. Implementation of the Directive

1. Have the Member States made use of the option provided in Article 3(3) (non-hazardous waste other than inert waste from prospecting and extraction, treatment and storage of mineral resources as well as from the operation of quarries)?

If yes, please give details of these exemptions.
2. Have the Member States made use of the option provided in Article 3(4) (islands and isolated settlements)?

If yes, please give details of these exemptions, including information on the quantities and, where possible, the types of waste going to such exempted sites.
3. Have the Member States made use of the option provided in Article 3(5) (underground storage)?

If yes, please give details on the storage facilities, the exemptions and information on the quantities and, where possible, the types of waste going to such exempted sites.
4. (a) Has the national strategy for the reduction of biodegradable waste going to landfills pursuant to Article 5(1) been developed and notified to the Commission?

If no, please state the reasons why.

(b) Give an indication of which wastes are classified at national level as biodegradable waste and which wastes as biodegradable municipal waste.

(c) Indicate the experiences made with the practical application of the strategy.

(d) Indicate the amount of biodegradable municipal waste (in tonnes, if possible broken down in waste streams) produced in 1995 (respectively the latest year before 1995 for which standardised Eurostat data is available).

(e) Indicate the amount of biodegradable municipal waste and other biodegradable waste (both in tonnes, if possible broken down in waste streams) going to landfills for each year of the reporting period.

(f) Which adaptations of the strategy are envisaged?

5. Indicate the number of existing landfills:

	Landfill for hazardous waste	Landfill for non-hazardous waste	Landfill for inert waste	Others (*)
Total number of existing landfills				
Number of these landfills complying with the directive				
Number of landfills closed (no more depositing) since 16 July 2001				
Number of landfills re-equipped				
Rest capacity (tonnes)				

(*) where necessary, until the end of the transitional period; specify the type of landfill

6. What measures have been taken to ensure that the provisions of Article 10 concerning the costs of landfilling are met?
7. Give a general description of the measures provided to avoid adverse environmental effects of the closed landfills pursuant to Article 13?
8. Give a short description of the planning procedure for landfills with regard to Annex I, Section 1 (location of the landfill).
9. Give a general description of the technical measures provided to ensure that the requirements of Annex I, Section 2 (water control and leachate management) are met.
10. Have general or specific requirements as set out in Annex I been provided for inert waste landfills?
11. Have the requirements set out in Annex I, paragraphs 3.2 and 3.3 been reduced for certain landfills? If yes, give general information on these landfills.

COMMISSION DECISION**of 17 November 2000****amending Decision 1999/283/EC concerning the animal health conditions and veterinary certification for imports of fresh meat from certain African countries to take account of the animal health situation in South Africa**

(notified under document number C(2000) 3335)

(Text with EEA relevance)

(2000/739/EC)

THE COMMISSION OF THE EUROPEAN COMMUNITIES,

Having regard to the Treaty establishing the European Community,

Having regard to the Council Directive 72/462/EEC of 12 December 1972 on health and veterinary inspection problems upon importation of bovine, ovine and caprine animals and swine, fresh meat or meat products from third countries ⁽¹⁾, as last amended by Council Directive 97/79/EC ⁽²⁾, and in particular Articles 14 and 22 thereof,

Whereas:

- (1) The animal health conditions and veterinary certification for imports of fresh meat from certain African countries are laid down by Commission Decision 1999/283/EC ⁽³⁾.
- (2) Imports of fresh meat from South Africa are only possible from a part of the territory of this country which has been recognised by the European Community as officially free of foot-and-mouth disease.
- (3) On 15 September 2000 the competent authorities confirmed on outbreak of foot-and-mouth disease in the province of KwaZulu-Natal, in the free region.
- (4) The situation is liable to seriously endanger Community livestock in view of imports of products of biungulate animals.
- (5) The competent authorities of South Africa provided sufficient guarantees with regard to the measures taken to control the movement of animals of susceptible species within and out of the infected area, in particular by declaring 16 districts, around the outbreak in the province of KwaZulu-Natal, a control area for foot-and-mouth disease.

- (6) It is therefore necessary to redefine the territory of South Africa from which imports into the Community of fresh meat are authorised.
- (7) In addition, it appears necessary to clarify, that imports of fresh meat from Namibia are only possible from the territory South of the cordon fences which extend from Palgrave Point in the west to Gam in the east, which has been recognised by the European Community as officially free of foot-and-mouth disease.
- (8) Decision 1999/283/EC must be amended accordingly.
- (9) The present Decision must be reviewed in the light of the evolution of the disease situation.
- (10) The measures provided for in this Decision are in accordance with the opinion of the Standing Veterinary Committee,

HAS ADOPTED THIS DECISION:

Article 1

Annex I to Decision 1999/283/EC is replaced by the Annex to the present Decision.

Article 2

This Decision is addressed to the Member States.

Done at Brussels, 17 November 2000.

For the Commission

David BYRNE

Member of the Commission⁽¹⁾ OJ L 302, 31.12.1972, p. 28.⁽²⁾ OJ L 24, 30.1.1998, p. 31.⁽³⁾ OJ L 110, 28.4.1999, p. 16.

ANNEX

ANNEX I

**DESCRIPTION OF TERRITORIES OF CERTAIN AFRICAN COUNTRIES ESTABLISHED FOR ANIMAL
HEALTH CERTIFICATION PURPOSES**

Country	Code of territory	Version	Description of territory
Botswana	BW	01/99	The whole country
	BW-01	01/99	Veterinary disease control zones, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14 and 18
Morocco	MA	01/99	The whole country
Madagascar	MG	01/99	The whole country
Namibia	NA	01/99	The whole country
	NA-01	01/00	South of the cordon fences which extend from Palgrave-Point in the west to Gam in the east
Swaziland	SZ	01/99	The whole country
	SZ-01	01/99	Area west of the "red line" fences which extend northwards from the River Usutu to the frontier with South Africa west of Nkalashane
South Africa	ZA	01/99	The whole country
	ZA-01	01/00	Republic of South Africa excluding: — the part of the foot-and-mouth disease control area situated in the veterinary region Northern and Eastern Transvaal, in the district of Ingwavuma of the veterinary region of Natal and in the border area with Botswana east of longitude 28°, and — the districts of Camperdown, Pietermaritzburg, Lions River, New Hanover, Umvoti, Kranskop, Mapumulo, Ndwedwe, Lower Tugela, Inanda, Pinetown, Durban, (including the metropolitan area of Durban), Chatsworth, Umzali, Umbumbulu and Richmond in the province of KwaZulu-Natal
Zimbabwe	ZW	01/99	The whole country
	ZW-01	01/99	Veterinary regions of Mashonaland West province, Mashonaland East province (including Chikomba district), Mashonaland Central province, Manicaland province (including only Makoni district), Midlands province (including only the Gweru, Kwekwe, Shurugwi, Chirimanzu and Zvishavane districts), Masvingo province (including only the districts of Gutu and Masvingo), Matabeleland South province (including only the Insiza, Bullimamangwe, Umzingwamange, Gwanda and West Nicholson districts) and Matabeleland North province (including only the districts of Bubi and Umgusa)

COMMISSION DECISION

of 17 November 2000

on import licences in respect of beef and veal products originating in Botswana, Kenya, Madagascar, Swaziland, Zimbabwe and Namibia

(notified under document number C(2000) 3399)

(2000/740/EC)

THE COMMISSION OF THE EUROPEAN COMMUNITIES,

HAS ADOPTED THIS DECISION:

Having regard to the Treaty establishing the European Community,

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

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

Whereas:

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

Article 1

The following Member States shall issue on 21 November 2000 import licences for beef and veal products, expressed as boned meat, originating in certain African, Caribbean and Pacific States, in respect of the following quantities and countries of origin:

Germany:

— 257 tonnes originating in Botswana;

United Kingdom:

— 488 tonnes originating in Botswana,

— 504 tonnes originating in Namibia,

— 38,2 tonnes originating in Swaziland.

Article 2

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

Botswana:	7 701 tonnes,
Kenya:	142 tonnes,
Madagascar:	7 579 tonnes,
Swaziland:	2 794,8 tonnes,
Zimbabwe:	835 tonnes,
Namibia:	4 697 tonnes.

Article 3

This Decision is addressed to the Member States.

Done at Brussels, 17 November 2000.

For the Commission

Franz FISCHLER

Member of the Commission

⁽¹⁾ OJ L 215, 1.8.1998, p. 12.

⁽²⁾ OJ L 250, 10.9.1998, p. 16.

⁽³⁾ OJ L 302, 31.12.1972, p. 28.

⁽⁴⁾ OJ L 24, 30.1.1998, p. 31.