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I

(Acts whose publication is obligatory)

**COMMISSION REGULATION (EC) No 628/2003
of 8 April 2003
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 1947/2002 ⁽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 9 April 2003.

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

Done at Brussels, 8 April 2003.

For the Commission
J. M. SILVA RODRÍGUEZ
Agriculture Director-General

⁽¹⁾ OJ L 337, 24.12.1994, p. 66.

⁽²⁾ OJ L 299, 1.11.2002, p. 17.

ANNEX

to the Commission Regulation of 8 April 2003 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	171,1
	204	76,7
	212	123,3
	999	123,7
0707 00 05	052	38,0
	064	58,4
	068	77,0
	096	48,8
	204	60,3
	628	147,3
	999	71,6
0709 90 70	052	88,1
	204	89,2
	999	88,7
0805 10 10, 0805 10 30, 0805 10 50	052	77,1
	204	42,9
	212	66,9
	220	41,7
	600	65,8
	624	63,2
	999	59,6
0808 10 20, 0808 10 50, 0808 10 90	060	64,5
	388	85,7
	400	97,2
	404	92,2
	508	84,1
	512	87,1
	524	69,3
	528	78,7
	720	87,0
	728	54,1
	999	80,0
0808 20 50	052	74,9
	388	71,4
	512	70,9
	528	65,0
	999	70,6

⁽¹⁾ Country nomenclature as fixed by Commission Regulation (EC) No 2020/2001 (OJ L 273, 16.10.2001, p. 6). Code '999' stands for 'of other origin'.

COMMISSION REGULATION (EC) No 629/2003

of 8 April 2003

amending Regulation (EC) No 528/1999 laying down measures to improve the quality of olive oil production, as regards activities eligible for Community funding

THE COMMISSION OF THE EUROPEAN COMMUNITIES,

Having regard to the Treaty establishing the European Community,

Having regard to Council Regulation No 136/66/EEC of 22 September 1966 on the establishment of a common organisation of the market in oils and fats ⁽¹⁾, as last amended by Regulation (EC) No 1513/2001 ⁽²⁾, and in particular Article 5(11) thereof,

Whereas:

- (1) Under Article 5(9) of Regulation No 136/66/EEC, from 1 November 2001 1,4 % of the production aid to olive oil and table olive producers is assigned to finance regional measures in the Member States to improve the quality of olive oil and table olive production and its environmental impact. However, Commission Regulation (EC) No 528/1999 ⁽³⁾, as amended by Regulation (EC) No 593/2001 ⁽⁴⁾, makes no reference to table olive production.
- (2) Regulation (EC) No 528/1999 should therefore be amended accordingly.
- (3) The measures provided for in this Regulation are in accordance with the opinion of the Management Committee for Oils and Fats,

HAS ADOPTED THIS REGULATION:

Article 1

Regulation (EC) No 528/1999 is hereby amended as follows:

1. the title is replaced by the following:

‘Commission Regulation (EC) No 528/1999 of 10 March 1999 laying down measures to improve the quality of olive oil and table olive production’;

2. Article 1 is amended as follows:

- (a) paragraph 1 is replaced by the following:

‘1. This Regulation specifies the measures to be undertaken and procedures to be followed to improve the quality of olive oil and table olive production at regional level and its impact on the environment.’

- (b) paragraph 2 is amended as follows:

- (i) points (b), (c), (d) and (e) are replaced by the following:

‘(b) improvement of the conditions under which olive trees are grown and treated, olives are harvested, stored and processed and the resulting oils and table olives are stored;

(c) technical assistance to growers, mills and table olive processors to help improve the environment, the quality of the olives produced and their processing into oil and table olives;

(d) improvement of the disposal of crushing and processing residues so that the environment is not harmed;

(e) training, information provision and demonstrations for farmers, mills and table olive processors on olive oil and table olive quality and the environmental impact of olive oil and table olive production’;

- (ii) point (g) is replaced by the following:

‘(g) collaboration with specialist agencies on research programmes to improve the quality of virgin olive oil and table olives and at the same time help improve the environment.’;

- (c) in paragraph 3, the second subparagraph is replaced by the following:

‘Insecticides against olive fly must be used in conjunction with protein baits. However in special circumstances the use of insecticides without protein baits may be authorised under the direction of the agency responsible for prescribing treatments. Insecticides and their mode of application must be such that no residue in olives from the zones in question or in the oil or table olives produced from them exceeds the maximum levels authorised by Community legislation.’

Article 2

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

It shall apply from 1 November 2001.

⁽¹⁾ OJ L 72, 30.9.1966, p. 3025/66.

⁽²⁾ OJ L 201, 26.7.2001, p. 4.

⁽³⁾ OJ L 62, 11.3.1999, p. 8.

⁽⁴⁾ OJ L 88, 28.3.2001, p. 6.

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

Done at Brussels, 8 April 2003.

For the Commission

Franz FISCHLER

Member of the Commission

COMMISSION REGULATION (EC) No 630/2003**of 8 April 2003****setting, for the 2002/2003 marketing year, the amounts to be paid to producer organisations and associations thereof recognised under Council Regulation No 136/66/EEC**

THE COMMISSION OF THE EUROPEAN COMMUNITIES,

Having regard to the Treaty establishing the European Community,

Having regard to Council Regulation No 136/66/EEC of 22 September 1966 on the establishment of a common organisation of the market in oils and fats ⁽¹⁾, as last amended by Regulation (EC) No 1513/2001 ⁽²⁾, and in particular Article 20d(4) thereof,

Whereas:

- (1) Article 20d(1) of Regulation No 136/66/EEC provides for a percentage of production aid to be withheld to help finance the work of recognised producer organisations and associations thereof. For the 1998/1999, 1999/2000, 2000/2001, 2001/2002, 2002/2003 and 2003/2004 marketing years that percentage is 0,8 %.
- (2) Article 21(1) of Commission Regulation (EC) No 2366/98 of 30 October 1998 laying down detailed rules for the application of the system of production aid for olive oil for the 1998/1999, 1999/2000, 2000/2001, 2001/2002, 2002/2003 and 2003/2004 marketing years ⁽³⁾, as last amended by Regulation (EC) No 2383/2002 ⁽⁴⁾, provides that the unit amounts to be paid to producer organisations and associations thereof are to be fixed on the basis of forecasts of the overall sum to be distributed.

The funds that will become available in each Member State as a result of the amount withheld as referred to above must be suitably distributed among those eligible.

- (3) The measures provided for in this Regulation are in accordance with the opinion of the Management Committee for Oils and Fats,

HAS ADOPTED THIS REGULATION:

Article 1

For the 2002/2003 marketing year, the amounts provided for in Article 21(1)(a) and (b) of Regulation (EC) No 2366/98 shall be as follows:

- for Spain: EUR 4,5 and EUR 2,2 respectively,
- for Portugal: EUR 0,0 and EUR 5,5 respectively,
- for Greece: EUR 2,0 and EUR 2,0 respectively,
- for France: EUR 0,0 and EUR 0,0 respectively,
- for Italy: EUR 2,0 and EUR 2,2 respectively.

Article 2

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

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

Done at Brussels, 8 April 2003.

For the Commission

Franz FISCHLER

Member of the Commission

⁽¹⁾ OJ L 72, 30.9.1966, p. 3025/66.

⁽²⁾ OJ L 201, 26.7.2001, p. 4.

⁽³⁾ OJ L 293, 31.10.1998, p. 50.

⁽⁴⁾ OJ L 358, 31.12.2002, p. 122.

COMMISSION REGULATION (EC) No 631/2003**of 7 April 2003****amending Regulation (EC) No 1334/2002 laying down detailed rules for the application of Council Regulation (EC) No 1638/98 as regards the conditions for approval of and the time limits for work programmes of operators' organisations in the olive sector for the 2002/2003 and 2003/2004 marketing years**

THE COMMISSION OF THE EUROPEAN COMMUNITIES,

Having regard to the Treaty establishing the European Community,

Having regard to Council Regulation (EC) No 1638/98 of 20 July 1998 amending Regulation No 136/66/EEC on the establishment of a common organisation of the market in oils and fats ⁽¹⁾, as amended by Regulation (EC) No 1513/2001 ⁽²⁾, and in particular Article 4a(4)(a) and (c) thereof,

Whereas:

- (1) Commission Regulation (EC) No 1334/2002 ⁽³⁾, as amended by Regulation (EC) No 1965/2002 ⁽⁴⁾, lays down, for the 2002/2003 and 2003/2004 marketing years, rules on the approval and the work programmes of operators' organisations in the olive sector for the purposes of the Community funding provided for in Article 4a of Regulation (EC) No 1638/98. In order to simplify the administration of those provisions and encourage extensive participation by the organisations in the sector, some of the conditions for approval of associations of producer organisations in the sector should be amended.
- (2) Since the provisions on the funding of work programmes are new, drawing up work programmes by approved operators' organisations requires considerable preparatory work. The relevant time limits referred to in Regulation (EC) No 1334/2002 should therefore be extended.
- (3) Regulation (EC) No 1334/2002 should be amended accordingly.
- (4) The measures provided for in this Regulation are in accordance with the opinion of the Management Committee for Oils and Fats,

HAS ADOPTED THIS REGULATION:

Article 1

Regulation (EC) No 1334/2002 is amended as follows:

1. Article 2(3) is replaced by the following:
'3. Without prejudice to Article 10(1) of this Regulation, operators organisations in the olive sector and associations thereof approved under Article 20c of Regulation No 136/66/EEC and other operators' organisations in the olive sector recognised by the Member State which submit a work programme in accordance with Article 5 shall be deemed approved under this Regulation where they meet the criteria referred to in paragraphs 1 and 2. However, associations of producer organisations may include a maximum of 10 % of producer organisations not approved under point (a) or a maximum of seven such organisations.'
2. In Article 3(1), '31 March 2003' is replaced by '31 May 2003'.
3. In the first subparagraph of Article 5(2), '31 March 2003' is replaced by '31 May 2003'.
4. In the first subparagraph of Article 6(3), '31 May 2003' is replaced by '31 July 2003'.
5. In the first and second subparagraphs of Article 11(2), '30 June 2003' is replaced by '5 September 2003'.

*Article 2*This Regulation shall enter into force on the third day following its publication in the *Official Journal of the European Union*.

It shall apply from 31 March 2003.

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

Done at Brussels, 7 April 2003.

For the Commission

Franz FISCHLER

Member of the Commission⁽¹⁾ OJ L 210, 28.7.1998, p. 32.⁽²⁾ OJ L 201, 26.7.2001, p. 4.⁽³⁾ OJ L 195, 24.7.2002, p. 16.⁽⁴⁾ OJ L 300, 5.11.2002, p. 4.

COMMISSION REGULATION (EC) No 632/2003**of 8 April 2003****repealing Regulation (EC) No 149/98 laying down detailed rules for the application of Council Regulation (EC) No 2007/97 laying down certain rules for the application of the special arrangements for imports of olive oil originating in Lebanon**

THE COMMISSION OF THE EUROPEAN COMMUNITIES,

Having regard to the Treaty establishing the European Community,

Having regard to Council Regulation (EC) No 2007/97 of 9 October 1997 laying down certain rules for the application of the special arrangements for imports of olive oil originating in Lebanon ⁽¹⁾, and in particular Article 3 thereof,

Whereas:

- (1) In accordance with Article 18 of the Cooperation Agreement between the European Economic Community and the Lebanese Republic ⁽²⁾, special arrangements apply to imports into the Community of certain types of olive oil originating in Lebanon. These arrangements include a reduction in the rate of customs duty applicable to all olive oil imports for which importers provide proof, at the time of importation, that the special export charge has been reflected in the import price.
- (2) Commission Regulation (EC) No 149/98 ⁽³⁾ lays down detailed rules for the application of the special arrangements with regard to the presentation of proof that the special export charge has been reflected in the import price.

- (3) Article 18 of the Cooperation Agreement between the European Economic Community and the Lebanese Republic is replaced by an Interim Agreement between the European Community and the Republic of Lebanon ⁽⁴⁾, which enters into force on 1 March 2003. From that date, under Protocol 1 to the Interim Agreement, a tariff quota free of customs duty of 1 000 tonne of olive oil will take the place of the special arrangements as regards imports into the Community of olive oil originating in the Republic of Lebanon.
- (4) In the interests of legal clarity, Regulation (EC) No 149/98 which will apply no longer as of 1 March 2003 should be repealed.
- (5) The measures provided for in this Regulation are in accordance with the opinion of the Management Committee for Oils and Fats,

HAS ADOPTED THIS REGULATION:

Article 1

Regulation (EC) No 149/98 is hereby repealed.

Article 2

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

It shall apply from 1 March 2003.

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

Done at Brussels, 8 April 2003.

For the Commission

Franz FISCHLER

Member of the Commission

⁽¹⁾ OJ L 284, 16.10.1997, p. 15.

⁽²⁾ OJ L 267, 27.9.1978, p. 2.

⁽³⁾ OJ L 18, 23.1.1998, p. 4.

⁽⁴⁾ OJ L 262, 30.9.2002, p. 2.

COMMISSION REGULATION (EC) No 633/2003**of 8 April 2003****determining to what extent applications lodged in March 2003 for the right to import young male bovine animals for fattening can be met**

THE COMMISSION OF THE EUROPEAN COMMUNITIES,

Having regard to the Treaty establishing the European Community,

Having regard to Commission Regulation (EC) No 1126/2002 of 27 June 2002 opening and providing for the administration of an import tariff quota for young male bovine animals for fattening (1 July 2002 to 30 June 2003) ⁽¹⁾, and in particular the second subparagraph of Article 4(4) thereof,

Whereas:

- (1) Article 9(1) of Regulation (EC) No 1126/2002 provides for a further allocation of quantities not covered by import licence applications at 21 February 2003.
- (2) Article 1 of Commission Regulation (EC) No 501/2003 ⁽²⁾, as amended by Regulation (EC) No 532/2003 ⁽³⁾, lays down the quantities of young male bovine animals for fattening that may be imported under special conditions before 30 June 2003.

- (3) The quantities for which import rights have been requested exceed the quantities available. The quantities applied for should therefore be reduced proportionately in accordance with Article 9(6) and the second subparagraph of Article 4(4) of Regulation (EC) No 1126/2002,

HAS ADOPTED THIS REGULATION:

Article 1

Each application for the right to import lodged in accordance with Article 9 of Regulation (EC) No 1126/2002 shall be granted for 0,2952 % of the quantity applied for.

Article 2

This Regulation shall enter into force on 9 April 2003.

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

Done at Brussels, 8 April 2003.

For the Commission

J. M. SILVA RODRÍGUEZ

Agriculture Director-General

⁽¹⁾ OJ L 169, 28.6.2002, p. 10.

⁽²⁾ OJ L 74, 20.3.2003, p. 21.

⁽³⁾ OJ L 79, 26.3.2003, p. 5.

COMMISSION REGULATION (EC) No 634/2003**of 8 April 2003****fixing representative prices in the poultrymeat and egg sectors and for egg albumin, and amending Regulation (EC) No 1484/95**

THE COMMISSION OF THE EUROPEAN COMMUNITIES,

Having regard to the Treaty establishing the European Community,

Having regard to Council Regulation (EEC) No 2771/75 of 29 October 1975 on the common organisation of the market in eggs ⁽¹⁾, as last amended by Commission Regulation (EC) No 493/2002 ⁽²⁾, and in particular Article 5(4) thereof,

Having regard to Council Regulation (EEC) No 2777/75 of 29 October 1975 on the common organisation of the market in poultrymeat ⁽³⁾, as last amended by Regulation (EC) No 493/2002, and in particular Article 5(4) thereof,

Having regard to Council Regulation (EEC) No 2783/75 of 29 October 1975 on the common system of trade for ovalbumin and lactalbumin ⁽⁴⁾, as last amended by Commission Regulation (EC) No 2916/95 ⁽⁵⁾, and in particular Article 3(4) thereof,

Whereas:

- (1) Commission Regulation (EC) No 1484/95 ⁽⁶⁾, as last amended by Regulation (EC) No 447/2003 ⁽⁷⁾, fixes detailed rules for implementing the system of additional import duties and fixes representative prices in the poultrymeat and egg sectors and for egg albumin.

(2) It results from regular monitoring of the information providing the basis for the verification of the import prices in the poultrymeat and egg sectors and for egg albumin that the representative prices for imports of certain products should be amended taking into account variations of prices according to origin. Therefore, representative prices should be published.

(3) It is necessary to apply this amendment as soon as possible, given the situation on the market.

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

HAS ADOPTED THIS REGULATION:

Article 1

Annex I to Regulation (EC) No 1484/95 is hereby replaced by the Annex hereto.

Article 2

This Regulation shall enter into force on 9 April 2003.

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

Done at Brussels, 8 April 2003.

For the Commission

J. M. SILVA RODRÍGUEZ

Agriculture Director-General

⁽¹⁾ OJ L 282, 1.11.1975, p. 49.

⁽²⁾ OJ L 77, 20.3.2002, p. 7.

⁽³⁾ OJ L 282, 1.11.1975, p. 77.

⁽⁴⁾ OJ L 282, 1.11.1975, p. 104.

⁽⁵⁾ OJ L 305, 19.12.1995, p. 49.

⁽⁶⁾ OJ L 145, 29.6.1995, p. 47.

⁽⁷⁾ OJ L 67, 12.3.2003, p. 11.

ANNEX

to the Commission Regulation of 8 April 2003 fixing representative prices in the poultrymeat and egg sectors and for egg albumin, and amending Regulation (EC) No 1484/95

'ANNEX I

CN code	Description	Representative price (EUR/100 kg)	Security referred to in Article 3(3) (EUR/100 kg)	Origin ⁽¹⁾
0207 12 90	Chickens, plucked and drawn, without heads and feet and without necks, hearts, livers and gizzards, known as "65 % chickens", or otherwise presented, frozen	78,7	12	01
0207 14 10	Boneless cuts of fowl of the species <i>Gallus domesticus</i> , frozen	194,9	33	01
		197,3	31	02
		196,2	32	03
		196,2	32	04
0207 27 10	Boneless cuts of turkey, frozen	148,0	55	01
1602 32 11	Preparations of uncooked fowl of the species <i>Gallus domesticus</i>	222,5	19	01
		219,1	20	02

⁽¹⁾ Origin of imports:

- 01 Brazil
- 02 Thailand
- 03 Argentina
- 04 Chile'

COMMISSION REGULATION (EC) No 635/2003
of 8 April 2003
fixing the export refunds on poultrymeat

THE COMMISSION OF THE EUROPEAN COMMUNITIES,

Having regard to the Treaty establishing the European Community,

Having regard to Council Regulation (EEC) No 2777/75 of 29 October 1975 on the common organization of the market in poultrymeat ⁽¹⁾, as last amended by Commission Regulation (EC) No 493/2002 ⁽²⁾, and in particular Article 8(3) thereof,

Whereas:

- (1) Article 8 of Regulation (EEC) No 2777/75 provides that the difference between prices on the world market for the products listed in Article 1(1) of that Regulation and prices for those products within the Community may be covered by an export refund.
- (2) It follows from applying these rules and criteria to the present situation on the market in poultrymeat that the refund should be fixed at an amount which would

permit Community participation in world trade and would also take account of the nature of these exports and their importance at the present time.

- (3) The measures provided for in this Regulation are in accordance with the opinion of the Management Committee for Poultrymeat and Eggs,

HAS ADOPTED THIS REGULATION:

Article 1

The list of product codes for which, when they are exported, the export refund referred to in Article 8 of Regulation (EEC) No 2777/75 is granted, and the amount of that refund shall be as shown in the Annex hereto.

Article 2

This Regulation shall enter into force on 9 April 2003.

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

Done at Brussels, 8 April 2003.

For the Commission

Franz FISCHLER

Member of the Commission

⁽¹⁾ OJ L 282, 1.11.1975, p. 77.

⁽²⁾ OJ L 77, 20.3.2002, p. 7.

ANNEX

to the Commission Regulation of 8 April 2003 fixing the export refunds on poultrymeat

Product code	Destination	Unit of measurement	Amount of refund
0105 11 11 9000	V04	EUR/100 pcs	0,80
0105 11 19 9000	V04	EUR/100 pcs	0,80
0105 11 91 9000	V04	EUR/100 pcs	0,80
0105 11 99 9000	V04	EUR/100 pcs	0,80
0207 12 10 9900	V01	EUR/100 kg	36,00
0207 12 10 9900	A24	EUR/100 kg	36,00
0207 12 90 9190	V01	EUR/100 kg	36,00
0207 12 90 9190	A24	EUR/100 kg	36,00
0207 12 90 9990	V01	EUR/100 kg	36,00
0207 12 90 9990	A24	EUR/100 kg	36,00

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 Commission Regulation (EC) No 1779/2002 (OJ L 269, 5.10.2002, p. 6).

The other destinations are defined as follows:

V01 Angola, Saudi Arabia, Kuwait, Bahrain, Qatar, Oman, the United Arab Emirates, Jordan, Yemen, Lebanon, Iraq, Iran

V04 All destinations except the United States of America and Estonia.

COMMISSION REGULATION (EC) No 636/2003**of 8 April 2003****determining the percentage of quantities covered by applications for export licences for poultry-meat which may be accepted**

THE COMMISSION OF THE EUROPEAN COMMUNITIES,

Having regard to the Treaty establishing the European Community,

Having regard to Commission Regulation (EC) No 1372/95 of 16 June 1995 laying down detailed rules for implementing the system of export licences in the poultrymeat sector ⁽¹⁾, as last amended by Regulation (EC) No 1383/2001 ⁽²⁾, and in particular Article 3(4) thereof,

Whereas:

- (1) Regulation (EC) No 1372/95 provides for specific measures where applications for export licences concern quantities and/or expenditure which exceed the normal trade patterns or where there is a risk that they will be exceeded, taking account of the limit referred to in Article 8(11) of Council Regulation (EEC) No 2777/75 ⁽³⁾, as last amended by Commission Regulation (EC) No 2916/95 ⁽⁴⁾, and/or the corresponding expenditure during the period in question.
- (2) Uncertainty is a feature of the market in certain poultrymeat products. The impending adjustment of the refunds applicable to those products has led to the submission of

applications for export licences for speculative ends. There is a risk that the issue of licences for the quantities applied for from 31 March to 4 April and 7 to 8 April 2003 may lead to an overrun in the quantities of the products concerned normally disposed of by way of trade. Applications covering the products concerned in respect of which export licences have not yet been granted should be rejected,

HAS ADOPTED THIS REGULATION:

Article 1

No further action shall be taken in respect of applications submitted for export licences for poultrymeat of 31 March to 4 April and 7 and 8 April 2003 pursuant to Regulation (EC) No 1372/95 in respect of category three of Annex I to that Regulation which should have been issued from 9 April and from 16 April 2003 respectively.

Article 2

This Regulation shall enter into force on 9 April 2003.

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

Done at Brussels, 8 April 2003.

For the Commission

J. M. SILVA RODRÍGUEZ

Agriculture Director-General

⁽¹⁾ OJ L 133, 17.6.1995, p. 26.

⁽²⁾ OJ L 186, 7.7.2001, p. 26.

⁽³⁾ OJ L 282, 1.11.1975, p. 77.

⁽⁴⁾ OJ L 305, 19.12.1995, p. 49.

II

(Acts whose publication is not obligatory)

COMMISSION

COMMISSION DECISION

of 26 March 2003

amending its internal Rules of Procedure

(notified under document number C(2003) 972)

(2003/246/EC, Euratom)

THE COMMISSION OF THE EUROPEAN COMMUNITIES,

Having regard to the Treaty establishing the European Community, and in particular Article 218(2) thereof,

Having regard to the Treaty establishing the European Atomic Energy Community, and in particular Article 131 thereof,

Having regard to the Treaty on European Union, and in particular Article 28(1) and Article 41(1) thereof,

HAS DECIDED AS FOLLOWS:

Article 1

The Commission's provisions on operational procedures for management of crisis situations, the text of which is annexed to this Decision, are hereby added to the Commission's Rules of Procedure as an Annex.

Article 2

This Decision replaces the Decision having the same title adopted on 5 March 2003.

Article 3

This Decision shall enter into force and apply from 26 March 2003.

Done at Brussels, 26 March 2003.

For the Commission

Neil KINNOCK

Vice-President

ANNEX

COMMISSION PROVISIONS ON OPERATIONAL PROCEDURES FOR CRISIS MANAGEMENT

Whereas:

- (1) It is appropriate for the Commission to fix procedures permitting crisis situations to be managed, and in particular to ensure that all necessary decisions can be taken as efficiently and rapidly as possible, while ensuring that they remain subject to political control.
- (2) It is necessary for the Commission to establish an operational structure for crisis management.
- (3) The Commission provisions on Security ⁽¹⁾ established as an Annex to the Internal Rules of Procedure of the Commission, provide for a member of the Commission to be responsible for security matters and for implementation of the Commission's security policy.
- (4) The general principles established in section 2 of the Annex to the Provisions on security establish general principles of legality, transparency, accountability and subsidiarity (proportionality) which apply equally to crisis management.

Article 1

The Security Office shall be integrated in the Directorate-General for Personnel and administration, and operate under the control of a Director of the Commission Security Office, who shall be responsible to the Member of the Commission responsible for security matters.

Article 2

1. The crisis system shall consist of a management group, an operational team and a monitoring team.
2. The management group shall meet under the chairmanship of the Deputy Secretary-General. It shall consist of a Member of the Cabinet of the President and of the Member of the Commission responsible for security matters, the Director of the Commission Security Office, Directors-General of the Legal Service, for Personnel and administration, and Press, and such other persons as the Deputy Secretary-General considers appropriate in the circumstances.

It shall be responsible for advising the Commission and in particular the Member of the Commission responsible for security matters on appropriate measures to be taken to protect the staff and assets of the Commission, and ensure its operational effectiveness, in the event of crisis.

3. The President, the Member of the Commission responsible for security matters and each Member of the Commission involved in the crisis shall be kept informed of crisis developments by the Chairman of the management group.
4. A 24-hour, seven-days-a-week readiness service shall operate, on the basis of the constant presence of at least two officials, so that the Security Office can discharge its responsibilities.

Article 3

1. The Member of the Commission responsible for security matters may at any time instruct the Director of the Commission Security Office to put the crisis management system into operation.
2. The Director of the Commission Security Office may decide, on his/her own initiative, that, on the basis of the information available to him/her, it is appropriate to put a crisis management system into operation.

Article 4

To enable decisions to be taken with sufficient speed to ensure the protection of Commission staff, information, buildings and other assets from any threat and to ensure its operational capacity, in situations where urgency precludes the use of usual decision-making procedures:

1. the Member of the Commission responsible for security matters may take any decision he/she considers necessary to protect the staff and assets of the Commission from such threat;
2. in situations of extreme emergency the Director of the Commission Security Office may take similar decisions to those provided for in paragraph 1 acting where possible in consultation with the Management Group. Any use of these powers shall immediately be reported to the Member of the Commission responsible for Security, for review, and where appropriate endorsement, amendment or revocation;

⁽¹⁾ OJ L 317, 3.12.2001, p. 1.

3. in situations of extreme emergency the head of a Commission mission or delegation or of a representation or regional representation in the Member States may take similar decisions to those provided for in paragraph 1. Any use of these powers shall immediately be reported to the Member of the Commission responsible for security matters, for review, and where appropriate endorsement, amendment or revocation
4. Any decision taken pursuant to paragraphs 1 to 3 shall be submitted to the next meeting of the College for review, and where appropriate endorsement, amendment or revocation.

Article 5

Article 5 of Commission Decision C(94) 2129 is repealed.
