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I

(Acts whose publication is obligatory)

COMMISSION REGULATION (EC) No 1155/2006
of 28 July 2006
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⁾, and in particular Article 4(1) thereof,

Whereas:

- (1) Regulation (EC) No 3223/94 lays down, pursuant to the outcome of the Uruguay Round multilateral trade negotiations, the criteria whereby the Commission fixes the

standard values for imports from third countries, in respect of the products and periods stipulated in the Annex thereto.

- (2) In compliance with the above criteria, the standard import values must be fixed at the levels set out in the Annex to this Regulation,

HAS ADOPTED THIS REGULATION:

Article 1

The standard import values referred to in Article 4 of Regulation (EC) No 3223/94 shall be fixed as indicated in the Annex hereto.

Article 2

This Regulation shall enter into force on 29 July 2006.

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

Done at Brussels, 28 July 2006.

For the Commission

Jean-Luc DEMARTY

*Director-General for Agriculture and
Rural Development*

⁽¹⁾ OJ L 337, 24.12.1994, p. 66. Regulation as last amended by Regulation (EC) No 386/2005 (OJ L 62, 9.3.2005, p. 3).

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to Commission Regulation of 28 July 2006 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	71,2
	096	41,9
	999	56,6
0707 00 05	052	78,5
	388	52,4
	524	46,9
	999	59,3
0709 90 70	052	69,2
	999	69,2
0805 50 10	388	57,0
	524	54,9
	528	58,4
	999	56,8
0806 10 10	052	160,1
	204	133,3
	220	142,0
	388	8,7
	400	200,9
	508	48,4
	512	56,7
	624	158,2
	999	113,5
0808 10 80	388	95,5
	400	104,3
	508	76,8
	512	88,4
	524	67,7
	528	90,3
	720	78,9
	800	152,2
	804	98,3
0808 20 50	999	94,7
	052	70,3
	388	103,0
	512	90,4
	528	83,8
	720	30,3
	804	128,9
	999	84,5
0809 10 00	052	135,5
	999	135,5
0809 20 95	052	297,9
	400	365,8
	999	331,9
0809 30 10, 0809 30 90	052	101,7
	999	101,7
0809 40 05	093	64,8
	098	75,9
	624	131,5
	999	90,7

⁽¹⁾ Country nomenclature as fixed by Commission Regulation (EC) No 750/2005 (OJ L 126, 19.5.2005, p. 12). Code '999' stands for 'of other origin'.

COMMISSION REGULATION (EC) No 1156/2006

of 28 July 2006

establishing for 2006 budgetary ceilings for partial or optional implementation of the Single Payment Scheme, annual financial envelopes for the Single Area Payment Scheme and maximum amounts for granting separate sugar payments provided for under Council Regulation (EC) No 1782/2003, and amending that Regulation

THE COMMISSION OF THE EUROPEAN COMMUNITIES,

should be amended accordingly, without however changing the overall amounts.

Having regard to the Treaty establishing the European Community,

Having regard to Council Regulation (EC) No 1782/2003 of 29 September 2003 establishing common rules for direct support schemes under the common agricultural policy and establishing certain support schemes for farmers and amending Regulations (EEC) No 2019/93, (EC) No 1452/2001, (EC) No 1453/2001, (EC) No 1454/2001, (EC) No 1868/94, (EC) No 1251/1999, (EC) No 1254/1999, (EC) No 1673/2000, (EEC) No 2358/71 and (EC) No 2529/2001 ⁽¹⁾, and in particular Articles 41(1) and (1)(a), 64(2), 70(2), 71(2), 110i(3) and (4), 110l(1), 143b(3), 145(i), and 155,

Whereas:

(1) For the Member States making use of the option provided for in Article 62 of Regulation (EC) No 1782/2003, the national ceilings set in Annex VIII to that Regulation should be revised on the basis of the information communicated under Article 145(i) thereof.

(2) The Community's financial contribution towards support programmes of specific measures to assist livestock farming in outermost regions is provided for as from 2006 in Article 23 of Council Regulation (EC) No 247/2006 of 30 January 2006 laying down specific measures for agriculture in the outermost regions of the Union ⁽²⁾. The Member States concerned should in consequence deduct from the national ceilings set in Annex VIII to Regulation (EC) No 1782/2003 the amount of the contribution corresponding to those specific measures initially included in Annex VIII.

(3) The national ceilings set under point K(2) of Annex VII to Regulation (EC) No 1782/2003 should be adjusted to take into account the most recent data on chicory and the national ceilings set in Annex VIII to that Regulation

(4) The ceilings set in point K(2) of Annex VII to Regulation (EC) No 1782/2003 should also be amended to take into account the quantities of quotas sugar and quota inulin syrup which were produced in one Member State from beet and chicory grown in another Member State during the 2000/01 to 2005/06 marketing years. The national ceilings set in Annexes VIII and VIIIa to that Regulation should be amended accordingly.

(5) For Member States implementing the Single Payment Scheme provided for in Title III of Regulation (EC) No 1782/2003 in 2006, the budgetary ceilings for each of the payments referred to in Articles 66 to 69 of that Regulation should be fixed for 2006 under the conditions laid down in Section 2 of Title III.

(6) For the Member States making use, in 2006, of the option provided for in Article 70 of Regulation (EC) No 1782/2003, the budgetary ceilings applying to the direct payments excluded from the Single Payment Scheme should be fixed for 2006.

(7) For the Member States making use of the transitional period provided for in Article 71 of Regulation (EC) No 1782/2003, the budgetary ceilings applying to the direct payments listed in Annex VI to that Regulation should be fixed for 2006.

(8) The maximum amount of aid for olive groves referred to in Article 110i(3) of Regulation (EC) No 1782/2003 should be adjusted according to the value of the coefficient referred to in Annex VII(H) and the amount withheld under Article 110i(4), notified by the Member States concerned, and the national ceilings set in Annex VIII should be adjusted accordingly. No amount should be fixed for Member States that have decided to set at 1 the coefficient provided for under Annex VII(H).

⁽¹⁾ OJ L 270, 21.10.2003, p. 1. Regulation last amended by Regulation (EC) No 319/2006 (OJ L 58, 28.2.2006, p. 32).

⁽²⁾ OJ L 42, 14.2.2006, p. 1. Regulation amended by Regulation (EC) No 318/2006 (OJ L 58, 28.2.2006, p. 1).

- (9) The maximum amount of Community contribution to the financing of work programmes drawn up by certified organisations of operators in the olive oil sector should be set, according to the coefficient applied to the amount withheld under Article 110(i)(4) of Regulation (EC) No 1782/2003, notified by the Member States concerned.
- (10) The maximum amount of aid for tobacco referred to in Article 110l(1) of Regulation (EC) No 1782/2003 should be adjusted according to the value of the coefficient referred to in Annex VII(l), notified by the Member States concerned, and the national ceilings set in Annex VIII to that Regulation should be adjusted accordingly. No amount should be fixed for Member States that have decided to set at 1 the coefficient provided for under Annex VII(l).
- (11) For the sake of clarity, it is appropriate to publish the budgetary ceilings for the Single Payment Scheme for 2006 after deduction, from the revised ceilings of Annex VIII to Regulation (EC) No 1782/2003, of the ceilings established for the payments referred to in Articles 66 to 70 of that Regulation.
- (12) The maximum amount of funds available to Member States having joined the European Union in 2004 and applying the Single Area Payment Scheme for granting separate sugar payments in 2006 under Article 143ba of Regulation (EC) No 1782/2003 should be established on the basis of their notifications.
- (13) For Member States having joined the European Union in 2004 and implementing the Single Area Payment Scheme provided for in Title IVa of Regulation (EC) No 1782/2003 in 2006, the annual financial envelopes for 2006 should be fixed in accordance with Article 143b(3) of that Regulation.
- (14) Regulation (EC) No 1782/2003 should be amended accordingly.
- (15) The measures provided for in this Regulation are in accordance with the opinion of the Management Committee for Direct Payments,

HAS ADOPTED THIS REGULATION:

Article 1

1. The budgetary ceilings for 2006 referred to in Articles 66 to 69 of Regulation (EC) No 1782/2003 are set out in Annex I to this Regulation.

2. The budgetary ceilings for 2006 referred to in Article 70(2) of Regulation (EC) No 1782/2003 are set out in Annex II to this Regulation.

3. The budgetary ceilings for 2006 referred to in Article 71(2) of Regulation (EC) No 1782/2003 are set out in Annex III to this Regulation.

4. The budgetary ceilings for the single payment scheme for 2006 referred to in Title III of Regulation (EC) No 1782/2003 are set out in Annex IV to this Regulation.

5. The annual financial envelopes for 2006 referred to in Article 143b(3) of Regulation (EC) No 1782/2003 are set out in Annex V to this Regulation.

6. The maximum amounts of funding available to the Czech Republic, Latvia, Lithuania, Hungary, Poland and Slovakia for granting separate sugar payment in 2006, as referred to in Article 143ba(4) of Regulation (EC) No 1782/2003, are set out in Annex VI to this Regulation.

Article 2

The maximum Community contribution to financing the work programmes drawn up by certified operators in the olive oil sector under Article 110i(4) of Regulation (EC) No 1782/2003 shall be as follows:

	(in EUR million)
Greece	11,098
France	0,576
Italy	35,991

Article 3

Regulation (EC) No 1782/2003 is hereby amended as follows:

1. in Article 110i(3), first subparagraph, the table is replaced by the following table:

	(in EUR million)
Spain	103,14
Cyprus	2,93
Malta	0,07
Slovenia	0,17

2. In Article 110l(1) the table is replaced by the following table:

(in EUR million)

	2006-2009
Germany	21,287
Spain	70,599
France	48,217
Italy (except Apulia)	189,366
Portugal	8,468

3. In Annex VII, point K(2), table 1 is replaced by the table contained in Annex VII to this Regulation.

4. Annex VIII is replaced by the text contained in Annex VIII to this Regulation.

5. Annex VIIIa is replaced by the text contained in Annex IX to this Regulation.

Article 4

This Regulation shall enter into force on the seventh 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, 28 July 2006.

For the Commission
Mariann FISCHER BOEL
Member of the Commission

ANNEX I

**BUDGETARY CEILINGS FOR DIRECT PAYMENTS TO BE GRANTED IN ACCORDANCE WITH
ARTICLES 66 TO 69 OF REGULATION (EC) No 1782/2003**

2006 Calendar year

	BE		DK	DE	EL	ES	FR	IT	NL	AT	PT	FI	SE	UK
		Flanders												
Area payments for arable crops						372 670	1 154 046							Scotland
Durum wheat supplementary payment						42 025	14 820							
Suckler cow premium	77 565					260 242	733 137			70 578	79 031			
Additional suckler cow premium	19 389					26 911	1 279			99	9 503			
Special beef premium			33 085									24 420	37 446	
Slaughter premium, adults						47 175	101 248		62 200	17 348	8 657			
Slaughter premium, calves		6 384				560	79 472		40 300	5 085	946			
Sheep and goat premium			855			183 499					21 892	600		
Sheep premium							66 455							
Sheep and goat supplementary premium						55 795					7 184	200		
Supplementary sheep premium							19 572							
Aid for area under hops				2 277			98			27				
Article 69, all sectors													3 020	
Article 69, arable crops					47 323			141 712			1 878	5 840		
Article 69, rice											150			
Article 69, beef and veal					8 810	54 966		28 674			1 684	10 118		29 800

(Amount in EUR thousand)

	BE		DK	DE	EL	ES	FR	IT	NL	AT	PT	FI	SE	UK
		Flanders												Scotland
Article 69, sheep and goat meat					12 615			8 665			616			
Article 69, cotton						13 432								
Article 69, olive oil					22 196						5 658			
Article 69, tobacco					7 578	2 353								
Article 69, sugar					1 794	16 150		6 389			1 005			
Article 69, dairy products						19 763								

(Amount in EUR thousand)

ANNEX II

**BUDGETARY CEILINGS FOR DIRECT PAYMENTS TO BE GRANTED IN ACCORDANCE WITH ARTICLE 70
OF REGULATION (EC) No 1782/2003**

2006 Calendar year

	Belgium	Greece	Spain	France	Italy	Netherlands	Portugal	Finland
Article 70(1)(a)								
Aid for seeds	1 397	1 400	10 347	2 310	13 321	726	272	1 150
Article 70(1)(b)								
Arable crops payments			23					
Grain legumes aid			1					
Crop specific aid for rice				3 053				
Tobacco aid							166	

(Amount in EUR thousand)

ANNEX III

**BUDGETARY CEILINGS FOR DIRECT PAYMENTS TO BE GRANTED IN ACCORDANCE WITH ARTICLE 71
OF REGULATION (EC) No 1782/2003**

2006 Calendar year

	<i>(Amount in EUR thousand)</i>	
	Malta	Slovenia
Area payments for arable crops	203	14 550
Aid for seeds	34	40
Suckler cow premium	31	6 050
Additional suckler cow premium	4	730
Special beef premium	235	6 780
Slaughter premium, adults	168	4 510
Slaughter premium, calves		630
Beef extensification payment		6 250
Additional payments to beef producers	22	1 040
Sheep and goat premium	62	610
Sheep and goat supplementary premium	21	210
Additional payments to sheep and goat producers	3	30
Olive oil	47	120
Aid for area under hops		350
Sugar		2 284

ANNEX IV

BUDGETARY CEILINGS FOR THE SINGLE PAYMENT SCHEME

2006 Calendar year

(Amount in EUR thousand)

Member State	
Belgium	475 641
Denmark	981 539
Germany	5 644 898
Greece	2 041 887
Spain	3 529 453
France	6 060 555
Ireland	1 335 311
Italy	3 593 132
Luxembourg	36 602
Netherlands	325 103
Austria	540 440
Portugal	365 645
Finland	519 628
Sweden	630 451
United Kingdom	3 914 945

ANNEX V

ANNUAL FINANCIAL ENVELOPES FOR THE SINGLE AREA PAYMENT SCHEME

2006 Calendar year

(Amount in EUR thousand)

Member State	
Czech Republic	310 457
Estonia	35 150
Cyprus	17 236
Latvia	48 429
Lithuania	128 534
Hungary	445 499
Poland	997 483
Slovak Republic	128 640

ANNEX VI

MAXIMUM AMOUNT OF FUNDING AVAILABLE TO MEMBER STATES FOR GRANTING THE SEPARATE SUGAR PAYMENTS REFERRED TO IN ARTICLE 143ba OF REGULATION (EC) No 1782/2003

2006 Calendar year

(Amount in EUR thousand)

Member State	
Czech Republic	19 130
Latvia	4 219
Lithuania	6 547
Hungary	26 105
Poland	99 135
Slovakia	11 813

ANNEX VII

Table 1

Ceilings for amounts to be included in the reference amount of farmers*(Amount in EUR thousand)*

Member State	2006	2007	2008	2009 and subsequent years
Belgium	47 429	60 968	74 508	81 752
Czech Republic	27 851	34 319	40 786	44 245
Denmark	19 314	25 296	31 278	34 478
Germany	154 974	203 607	252 240	278 254
Greece	17 941	22 455	26 969	29 384
Spain	60 272	74 447	88 621	96 203
France	152 441	199 709	246 976	272 259
Ireland	11 259	14 092	16 925	18 441
Italy	79 862	102 006	124 149	135 994
Latvia	4 219	5 164	6 110	6 616
Lithuania	6 547	8 012	9 476	10 260
Hungary	26 105	31 986	37 865	41 010
Netherlands	41 743	54 272	66 803	73 504
Austria	18 971	24 487	30 004	32 955
Poland	99 135	122 906	146 677	159 392
Portugal	3 940	4 931	5 922	6 452
Slovenia	2 284	2 858	3 433	3 740
Slovakia	11 813	14 762	17 712	19 289
Finland	8 255	10 332	12 409	13 520
Sweden	20 809	26 045	31 281	34 082
United Kingdom	64 340	80 528	96 717	105 376'

ANNEX VIII

‘ANNEX VIII

National ceilings referred to in Article 41*(Amount in EUR thousand)*

Member State	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010 and subsequent years
Belgium	411 053	580 376	593 395	606 935	614 179	611 805
Denmark	943 369	1 015 479	1 021 296	1 027 278	1 030 478	1 030 478
Germany	5 148 003	5 647 175	5 695 607	5 744 240	5 770 254	5 774 254
Greece	838 289	2 143 603	2 170 117	2 174 631	2 177 046	1 987 715
Spain	3 266 092	4 635 365	4 649 913	4 664 087	4 671 669	4 673 546
France	7 199 000	8 236 045	8 282 938	8 330 205	8 355 488	8 363 488
Ireland	1 260 142	1 335 311	1 337 919	1 340 752	1 342 268	1 340 521
Italy	2 539 000	3 791 893	3 813 520	3 835 663	3 847 508	3 869 053
Luxembourg	33 414	36 602	37 051	37 051	37 051	37 051
Netherlands	386 586	428 329	833 858	846 389	853 090	853 090
Austria	613 000	633 577	737 093	742 610	745 561	744 955
Portugal	452 000	504 287	571 277	572 268	572 798	572 494
Finland	467 000	561 956	563 613	565 690	566 801	565 520
Sweden	637 388	670 917	755 045	760 281	763 082	763 082
United Kingdom	3 697 528	3 944 745	3 960 986	3 977 175	3 985 834	3 975 849'

ANNEX IX

‘ANNEX VIIIa

National ceilings referred to in Article 71c

(Amount in EUR thousand)

Calendar year	Czech Republic	Estonia	Cyprus	Latvia	Lithuania	Hungary	Malta	Poland	Slovenia	Slovakia
2005	228 800	23 400	8 900	33 900	92 000	350 800	670	724 600	35 800	97 700
2006	294 551	27 300	12 500	43 819	113 847	446 305	830	980 835	44 184	127 213
2007	377 919	40 400	16 300	60 764	154 912	540 286	1 640	1 263 706	58 958	161 362
2008	469 986	50 500	20 400	75 610	193 076	672 765	2 050	1 572 577	73 533	200 912
2009	559 145	60 500	24 500	90 016	230 560	802 610	2 460	1 870 392	87 840	238 989
2010	644 745	70 600	28 600	103 916	267 260	929 210	2 870	2 155 492	101 840	275 489
2011	730 445	80 700	32 700	117 816	303 960	1 055 910	3 280	2 440 492	115 840	312 089
2012	816 045	90 800	36 800	131 716	340 660	1 182 510	3 690	2 725 592	129 840	348 589
Subsequent years	901 745	100 900	40 900	145 616	377 360	1 309 210	4 100	3 010 692	143 940	385 189*

COMMISSION REGULATION (EC) No 1157/2006

of 28 July 2006

amending Regulation (EC) No 188/2005 laying down detailed rules for the application of the aid scheme for the meat sector in the outermost regions

THE COMMISSION OF THE EUROPEAN COMMUNITIES,

Having regard to the Treaty establishing the European Community,

Having regard to Council Regulation (EC) No 1452/2001 of 28 June 2001 introducing specific measures for certain agricultural products for the French overseas departments, amending Directive 72/462/EEC and repealing Regulations (EEC) No 525/77 and (EEC) No 3763/91 (Poseidom) ⁽¹⁾, and in particular Article 9(3) thereof,

Having regard to Council Regulation (EC) No 1453/2001 of 28 June 2001 introducing specific measures for certain agricultural products for the Azores and Madeira and repealing Regulation (EEC) No 1600/92 (Poseima) ⁽²⁾, and in particular Articles 13(3) and 22(4) and (10) thereof,

Having regard to Council Regulation (EC) No 1454/2001 of 28 June 2001 introducing specific measures for certain agricultural products for the Canary Islands and repealing Regulation (EEC) No 1601/92 (Poseican) ⁽³⁾, and in particular Article 5(3) thereof,

Whereas:

(1) Article 4 of Commission Regulation (EC) No 188/2005 ⁽⁴⁾ establishes the annual amount for the financing, from the 2005 calendar year, of the programme to assist traditional activities in the meat sector in the French overseas departments, as provided for by Article 9(1) of Regulation (EC) No 1452/2001.

(2) The second subparagraph of Article 9(2) of Regulation (EC) No 1452/2001 lays down that the Commission shall increase this annual amount, subject to a maximum provided for in that provision, in order to take into consideration the development of local production.

(3) The development of local production in the French overseas departments, as established in accordance with Article 5 of Regulation (EC) No 188/2005, is such that the respective annual amount set out in Article 4 of that Regulation should be increased accordingly, subject to the maximum under Article 9(2) of Regulation (EC) No 1452/2001.

(4) Regulation (EC) No 188/2005 should be amended accordingly.

(5) The aid programme concerned being applicable from 1 January 2006, this Regulation should also apply from that date.

(6) The measures provided for in this Regulation are in accordance with the opinion of the Management Committee for Direct Payments,

HAS ADOPTED THIS REGULATION:

Article 1

Article 4 of Regulation (EC) No 188/2005 is replaced by the following:

*'Article 4***Financing the programme**

The Community shall finance the programme from the 2006 calendar year up to the following annual amounts (EUR million):

(a) Spain 7,00

(b) France 14,255

(c) Portugal 16,91'.

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 January 2006.

⁽¹⁾ OJ L 198, 21.7.2001, p. 11. Regulation last amended by Regulation (EC) No 1690/2004 (OJ L 305, 1.10.2004, p. 1).

⁽²⁾ OJ L 198, 21.7.2001, p. 26. Regulation last amended by Regulation (EC) No 1690/2004.

⁽³⁾ OJ L 198, 21.7.2001, p. 45. Regulation last amended by Regulation (EC) No 1690/2004.

⁽⁴⁾ OJ L 31, 4.2.2005, p. 6.

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

Done at Brussels, 28 July 2006.

For the Commission
Mariann FISCHER BOEL
Member of the Commission

COMMISSION REGULATION (EC) No 1158/2006**of 28 July 2006****fixing the minimum selling prices for butter for the 14th individual invitation to tender under the standing invitation to tender provided for in Regulation (EC) No 1898/2005**

THE COMMISSION OF THE EUROPEAN COMMUNITIES,

Having regard to the Treaty establishing the European Community,

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

Whereas:

- (1) In accordance with Commission Regulation (EC) No 1898/2005 of 9 November 2005 laying down detailed rules for implementing Council Regulation (EC) No 1255/99 as regards measures for the disposal of cream, butter and concentrated butter on the Community market ⁽²⁾, the intervention agencies may sell by standing invitation to tender certain quantities of butter from intervention stocks that they hold and may grant aid for cream, butter and concentrated butter. Article 25 of that Regulation lays down that in the light of the tenders received in response to each individual invitation to tender a minimum selling price shall be fixed for butter and maximum aid shall be fixed for cream, butter and concentrated butter. It is further laid down

that the price or aid may vary according to the intended use of the butter, its fat content and the incorporation procedure. The amount of the processing security as referred to in Article 28 of Regulation (EC) No 1898/2005 should be fixed accordingly.

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

HAS ADOPTED THIS REGULATION:

Article 1

For the 14th individual invitation to tender under the standing invitation to tender provided for in Regulation (EC) No 1898/2005 the minimum selling prices for butter from intervention stocks and the amount of the processing security, as referred to in Articles 25 and 28 of that Regulation respectively, are fixed as set out in the Annex to this Regulation.

Article 2

This Regulation shall enter into force on 29 July 2006.

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

Done at Brussels, 28 July 2006.

For the Commission

Jean-Luc DEMARTY

*Director-General for Agriculture and
Rural Development*

⁽¹⁾ OJ L 160, 26.6.1999, p. 48. Regulation as last amended by Regulation (EC) No 1913/2005 (OJ L 307, 25.11.2005, p. 2).

⁽²⁾ OJ L 308, 25.11.2005, p. 1. Regulation as last amended by Regulation (EC) No 2107/2005 (OJ L 337, 22.12.2005, p. 20).

ANNEX

Minimum selling prices for butter and processing security for the 14th individual invitation to tender under the standing invitation to tender provided for in Regulation (EC) No 1898/2005*(EUR/100 kg)*

Formula			A		B	
Incorporation procedure			With tracers	Without tracers	With tracers	Without tracers
Minimum selling price	Butter ≥ 82 %	Unaltered	206	210	—	210
		Concentrated	204,1	—	—	—
Processing security		Unaltered	79	79	—	79
		Concentrated	79	—	—	—

COMMISSION REGULATION (EC) No 1159/2006**of 28 July 2006****fixing the maximum aid for cream, butter and concentrated butter for the 14th individual invitation to tender under the standing invitation to tender provided for in Regulation (EC) No 1898/2005**

THE COMMISSION OF THE EUROPEAN COMMUNITIES,

Having regard to the Treaty establishing the European Community,

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

Whereas:

- (1) In accordance with Commission Regulation (EC) No 1898/2005 of 9 November 2005 laying down detailed rules for implementing Council Regulation (EC) No 1255/99 as regards measures for the disposal of cream, butter and concentrated butter on the Community market ⁽²⁾, the intervention agencies may sell by standing invitation to tender certain quantities of butter of intervention stocks that they hold and may grant aid for cream, butter and concentrated butter. Article 25 of that Regulation lays down that in the light of the tenders received in response to each individual invitation to tender a minimum selling price shall be fixed for butter and maximum aid shall be fixed for cream, butter and concentrated butter. It is further laid down

that the price or aid may vary according to the intended use of the butter, its fat content and the incorporation procedure. The amount of the processing security as referred to in Article 28 of Regulation (EC) No 1898/2005 should be fixed accordingly.

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

HAS ADOPTED THIS REGULATION:

Article 1

For the 14th individual invitation to tender under the standing invitation to tender provided for in Regulation (EC) No 1898/2005 the amount of the maximum aid for cream, butter and concentrated butter and the amount the processing security, as referred to in Articles 25 and 28 of that Regulation respectively, are fixed as set out in the Annex to this Regulation.

Article 2

This Regulation shall enter into force on 29 July 2006.

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

Done at Brussels, 28 July 2006.

For the Commission

Jean-Luc DEMARTY

*Director-General for Agriculture and
Rural Development*

⁽¹⁾ OJ L 160, 26.6.1999, p. 48. Regulation as last amended by Regulation (EC) No 1913/2005 (OJ L 307, 25.11.2005, p. 2).

⁽²⁾ OJ L 308, 25.11.2005, p. 1. Regulation as last amended by Regulation (EC) No 2107/2005 (OJ L 337, 22.12.2005, p. 20).

ANNEX

Maximum aid for cream, butter and concentrated butter and processing security for the 14th individual invitation to tender under the standing invitation to tender provided for in Regulation (EC) No 1898/2005

(EUR/100 kg)

Formula		A		B	
Incorporation procedure		With tracers	Without tracers	With tracers	Without tracers
Maximum aid	Butter $\geq 82\%$	18,5	15	—	15
	Butter $< 82\%$	—	14,63	—	14,6
	Concentrated butter	22	18,5	22	18,5
	Cream	—	—	10	6,3
Processing security	Butter	20	—	—	—
	Concentrated butter	24	—	24	—
	Cream	—	—	11	—

COMMISSION REGULATION (EC) No 1160/2006**of 28 July 2006****fixing the maximum buying-in price for butter for the 4th individual invitation to tender under the standing invitation to tender opened by Regulation (EC) No 796/2006**

THE COMMISSION OF THE EUROPEAN COMMUNITIES,

Having regard to the Treaty establishing the European Community,

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

Whereas:

(1) Pursuant to Article 16(2) of Commission Regulation (EC) No 2771/1999 of 16 December 1999 laying down detailed rules for the application of Council Regulation (EC) No 1255/1999 as regards intervention on the market in butter and cream ⁽²⁾, a notice of invitation to tender was published in the *Official Journal of the European Union* for the purpose of the buying-in of butter by standing invitation to tender, as opened by Commission Regulation (EC) No 796/2006 ⁽³⁾.

(2) In the light of the tenders received in response to individual invitations to tender, a maximum buying-in price is to be fixed or a decision is to be taken to make no

award, in accordance with Article 17a of Regulation (EC) No 2771/1999.

(3) In the light of the tenders received for the 4th individual invitation to tender, a maximum buying-in price should be fixed.

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

HAS ADOPTED THIS REGULATION:

Article 1

For the 4th individual invitation to tender under the standing invitation to tender opened by Regulation (EC) No 796/2006, in respect of which the time limit for the submission of tenders expired on 25 July 2006, the maximum buying-in price for butter is fixed at 232,00 EUR/100 kg.

Article 2

This Regulation shall enter into force on 29 July 2006.

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

Done at Brussels, 28 July 2006.

For the Commission

Jean-Luc DEMARTY

*Director-General for Agriculture and
Rural Development*

⁽¹⁾ OJ L 160, 26.6.1999, p. 48. Regulation as last amended by Regulation (EC) No 1913/2005 (OJ L 307, 25.11.2005, p. 2).

⁽²⁾ OJ L 333, 24.12.1999, p. 11. Regulation as last amended by Regulation (EC) No 2107/2005 (OJ L 337, 22.12.2005, p. 20).

⁽³⁾ OJ L 142, 30.5.2006, p. 4.

COMMISSION REGULATION (EC) No 1161/2006**of 28 July 2006****fixing the maximum aid for concentrated butter for the 14th individual invitation to tender opened under the standing invitation to tender provided for in Regulation (EC) No 1898/2005**

THE COMMISSION OF THE EUROPEAN COMMUNITIES,

Having regard to the Treaty establishing the European Community,

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

Whereas:

- (1) In accordance with Article 47 of Commission Regulation (EC) No 1898/2005 of 9 November 2005 laying down detailed rules for implementing Council Regulation (EC) No 1255/99 as regards measures for the disposal of cream, butter and concentrated butter on the Community market ⁽²⁾, the intervention agencies are opening a standing invitation to tender for the granting of aid for concentrated butter. Article 54 of that Regulation provides that in the light of the tenders received in response to each special invitation to tender, a maximum amount of aid is to be fixed for concentrated butter with a minimum fat content of 96 %.
- (2) An end-use security provided for in Article 53(4) of Regulation (EC) No 1898/2005 is to be lodged to

ensure the taking over of the concentrated butter by the retail trade.

- (3) In the light of the tenders received, the maximum aid should be fixed at the appropriate level and the end-use security should be determined accordingly.
- (4) The measures provided for in this Regulation are in accordance with the opinion of the Management Committee for Milk and Milk Products,

HAS ADOPTED THIS REGULATION:

Article 1

For the 14th individual tender under the standing invitation to tender opened in accordance with Regulation (EC) No 1898/2005 the maximum amount of the aid for concentrated butter with a minimum fat content of 96 %, as referred to in Article 47(1) of that Regulation, is fixed at 19,8 EUR/100 kg,

The end-use security provided for in Article 53(4) of Regulation (EC) No 1898/2005 is fixed at 22 EUR/100 kg.

Article 2

This Regulation shall enter into force on 29 July 2006.

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

Done at Brussels, 28 July 2006.

For the Commission

Jean-Luc DEMARTY

*Director-General for Agriculture and
Rural Development*

⁽¹⁾ OJ L 160, 26.6.1999, p. 48. Regulation as last amended by Regulation (EC) No 1913/2005 (OJ L 307, 25.11.2005, p. 2).

⁽²⁾ OJ L 308, 25.11.2005, p. 1. Regulation as last amended by Regulation (EC) No 2107/2005 (OJ L 337, 22.12.2005, p. 20).

COMMISSION REGULATION (EC) No 1162/2006**of 28 July 2006****amending Regulation (EC) No 796/2006, as regards the list of Member States where buying-in of butter by tendering is open for the period expiring on 31 August 2006**

THE COMMISSION OF THE EUROPEAN COMMUNITIES,

Having regard to the Treaty establishing the European Community,

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

Having regard to Commission Regulation (EC) No 796/2006 of 29 May 2006 suspending the buying-in of butter at 90 % of the intervention price and opening the buying-in by tendering for the period expiring on 31 August 2006 ⁽²⁾, and in particular Article 2(2) thereof,

Whereas:

- (1) Regulation (EC) No 796/2006 has opened the buying-in of butter by tendering for the period expiring on 31 August 2006 in accordance with the third subparagraph of Article 6(1) of Regulation (EC) No 1255/1999.
- (2) On the basis of most recent communications by Estonia, the Commission has observed that the butter market prices have been equal or above 92 % of the intervention price for two consecutive weeks. Intervention buying-in by tendering should therefore be suspended in this

Member State. This Member State should therefore be removed from the list set out in Regulation (EC) No 796/2006.

- (3) Regulation (EC) No 796/2006 should therefore be amended accordingly,

HAS ADOPTED THIS REGULATION:

Article 1

In Article 2 of Regulation (EC) No 796/2006, paragraph 1 is replaced by the following:

'1. Buying-in of butter by tendering, as provided for in the third subparagraph of Article 6(1) of Regulation (EC) No 1255/1999, is hereby open from 29 July to 31 August 2006 in the following Member States, under the conditions provided for in Section 3a of Regulation (EC) No 2771/1999: Spain, Ireland, Poland and Portugal.'

Article 2

This Regulation shall enter into force on the day of 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, 28 July 2006.

For the Commission

Jean-Luc DEMARTY

*Director-General for Agriculture and
Rural Development*

⁽¹⁾ OJ L 160, 26.6.1999, p. 48. Regulation as last amended by Regulation (EC) No 1913/2005 (OJ L 307, 25.11.2005, p. 2).

⁽²⁾ OJ L 142, 30.5.2006, p. 4. Regulation as last amended by Regulation (EC) No 1096/2006 (OJ L 195, 15.7.2006, p. 17).

COMMISSION REGULATION (EC) No 1163/2006**of 28 July 2006****fixing the minimum selling price for butter for the 46th individual invitation to tender issued under the standing invitation to tender referred to in Regulation (EC) No 2771/1999**

THE COMMISSION OF THE EUROPEAN COMMUNITIES,

Having regard to the Treaty establishing the European Community,

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

Whereas:

- (1) Pursuant to Article 21 of Commission Regulation (EC) No 2771/1999 of 16 December 1999 laying down detailed rules for the application of Council Regulation (EC) No 1255/1999 as regards intervention on the market in butter and cream ⁽²⁾, intervention agencies have put up for sale by standing invitation to tender certain quantities of butter held by them.
- (2) In the light of the tenders received in response to each individual invitation to tender a minimum selling price shall be fixed or a decision shall be taken to make no

award, in accordance with Article 24a of Regulation (EC) No 2771/1999.

- (3) In the light of the tenders received, a minimum selling price should be fixed.
- (4) The measures provided for in this Regulation are in accordance with the opinion of the Management Committee for Milk and Milk Products,

HAS ADOPTED THIS REGULATION:

Article 1

For the 46th individual invitation to tender pursuant to Regulation (EC) No 2771/1999, in respect of which the time limit for the submission of tenders expired on 25 July 2006, the minimum selling price for butter is fixed at 235,00 EUR/100 kg.

Article 2

This Regulation shall enter into force on 29 July 2006.

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

Done at Brussels, 28 July 2006.

For the Commission

Jean-Luc DEMARTY

*Director-General for Agriculture and
Rural Development*

⁽¹⁾ OJ L 160, 26.6.1999, p. 48. Regulation as last amended by Commission Regulation (EC) No 1913/2005 (OJ L 307, 25.11.2005, p. 2).

⁽²⁾ OJ L 333, 24.12.1999, p. 11. Regulation as last amended by Regulation (EC) No 1802/2005 (OJ L 290, 4.11.2005, p. 3).

COMMISSION REGULATION (EC) No 1164/2006
of 28 July 2006
fixing the export refunds on cereal-based compound feedingstuffs

THE COMMISSION OF THE EUROPEAN COMMUNITIES,

Having regard to the Treaty establishing the European Community,

Having regard to Council Regulation (EC) No 1784/2003 of 29 september 2003 on the common organisation of the market in cereals ⁽¹⁾, and in particular Article 13(3) thereof,

Whereas:

- (1) Article 13 of Regulation (EC) No 1784/2003 provides that the difference between quotations or prices on the world market for the products listed in Article 1 of that Regulation and prices for those products within the Community may be covered by an export refund.
- (2) Commission Regulation (EC) No 1517/95 of 29 June 1995 laying down detailed rules for the application of Regulation (EC) No 1784/2003 as regards the arrangements for the export and import of compound feedingstuffs based on cereals and amending Regulation (EC) No 1162/95 laying down special detailed rules for the application of the system of import and export licences for cereals and rice ⁽²⁾ in Article 2 lays down general rules for fixing the amount of such refunds.
- (3) That calculation must also take account of the cereal products content. In the interest of simplification, the refund should be paid in respect of two categories of 'cereal products', namely for maize, the most commonly used cereal in exported compound feeds

and maize products, and for 'other cereals', these being eligible cereal products excluding maize and maize products. A refund should be granted in respect of the quantity of cereal products present in the compound feedingstuff.

- (4) Furthermore, the amount of the refund must also take into account the possibilities and conditions for the sale of those products on the world market, the need to avoid disturbances on the Community market and the economic aspect of the export.
- (5) The current situation on the cereals market and, in particular, the supply prospects mean that the export refunds should be abolished.
- (6) The Management Committee for Cereals has not delivered an opinion within the time limit set by its chairman,

HAS ADOPTED THIS REGULATION:

Article 1

The export refunds on the compound feedingstuffs covered by Regulation (EC) No 1784/2003 and subject to Regulation (EC) No 1517/95 are hereby fixed as shown in the Annex to this Regulation.

Article 2

This Regulation shall enter into force on 29 July 2006.

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

Done at Brussels, 28 July 2006.

For the Commission

Jean-Luc DEMARTY

*Director-General for Agriculture and
Rural Development*

⁽¹⁾ OJ L 270, 21.10.2003, p. 78. Regulation as amended by Commission Regulation (EC) No 1154/2005 (OJ L 187, 19.7.2005, p. 11).

⁽²⁾ OJ L 147, 30.6.1995, p. 51.

ANNEX

to the Commission Regulation of 28 July 2006 fixing the export refunds on cereal-based compound feedingstuffs

Product codes benefiting from export refund:

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

Cereal products	Destination	Unit of measurement	Amount of refunds
Maize and maize products: CN codes 0709 90 60, 0712 90 19, 1005, 1102 20, 1103 13, 1103 29 40, 1104 19 50, 1104 23, 1904 10 10	C10	EUR/t	0,00
Cereal products excluding maize and maize products	C10	EUR/t	0,00

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.

C10: All destinations.

COMMISSION REGULATION (EC) No 1165/2006**of 28 July 2006****correcting Regulation (EC) No 1001/2006 fixing the maximum aid for concentrated butter for the 12th individual invitation to tender opened under the standing invitation to tender provided for in Regulation (EC) No 1898/2005**

THE COMMISSION OF THE EUROPEAN COMMUNITIES,

Having regard to the Treaty establishing the European Community,

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

Having regard to Commission Regulation (EC) No 1898/2005 of 9 November 2005 laying down detailed rules for implementing Council Regulation (EC) No 1255/1999 as regards measures for the disposal of cream, butter and concentrated butter on the Community market ⁽²⁾,

Whereas:

- (1) Commission Regulation (EC) No 1001/2006 ⁽³⁾ fixed the amount of the end-use security provided for in Article 53(4) of Regulation (EC) No 1898/2005 for the 12th individual invitation to tender opened under the standing invitation to tender provided for in Regulation (EC) No 1898/2005.
- (2) As a result of an administrative error, the level of the end-use security fixed in the second paragraph of Article 1 of Regulation (EC) No 1001/2006 does not correspond to the real level to be fixed.

- (3) Regulation (EC) No 1001/2006 should therefore be corrected accordingly. As the correct amount of the security is lower than the amount originally provided for, this correction should be applied from the date of entry into force of Regulation (EC) No 1001/2006,

HAS ADOPTED THIS REGULATION:

Article 1

The second paragraph of Article 1 of Regulation (EC) No 1001/2006 is hereby replaced by the following:

‘The end-use security provided for in Article 53(4) of Regulation (EC) No 1898/2005 is fixed at EUR 22 per 100 kg.’

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 July 2006.

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

Done at Brussels, 28 July 2006.

For the Commission

Jean-Luc DEMARTY

*Director-General for Agriculture and
Rural Development*

⁽¹⁾ OJ L 160, 26.6.1999, p. 48. Regulation as last amended by Regulation (EC) No 1913/2005 (OJ L 307, 25.11.2005, p. 2).

⁽²⁾ OJ L 308, 25.11.2005, p. 1. Regulation amended by Regulation (EC) No 2107/2005 (OJ L 337, 22.12.2005, p. 20).

⁽³⁾ OJ L 179, 1.7.2006, p. 35.

II

(Acts whose publication is not obligatory)

COUNCIL

COUNCIL DECISION

of 17 July 2006

on relations between the European Community on the one hand, and Greenland and the Kingdom of Denmark on the other

(Text with EEA relevance)

(2006/526/EC)

THE COUNCIL OF THE EUROPEAN UNION,

Having regard to the Treaty establishing the European Community, and in particular Article 187 thereof,

Having regard to the proposal from the Commission,

Whereas:

(1) The Treaty amending, with regard to Greenland, the Treaties establishing the European Communities ⁽¹⁾ (The Greenland Treaty), which entered into force on 1 February 1985, provides that the Treaty establishing the European Community (EC Treaty) shall no longer apply to Greenland, but that Greenland, being a part of a Member State shall be associated to the European Community as one of the overseas countries and territories (OCTs).

(2) In its preamble, the Greenland Treaty states that arrangements should be introduced which permit close and lasting links between the Community and Greenland to be maintained and mutual interests, notably the development needs of Greenland, to be taken into account and that the arrangements applicable to OCTs set out in Part Four of the EC Treaty provide an appropriate framework for these relations.

(3) In accordance with Article 182 of the EC Treaty, the purpose of association is to promote the economic and social development of the OCTs and to establish close economic relations between them and the Community as a whole. Pursuant to Article 188 of the EC Treaty, the provisions of Articles 182 to 187 apply to Greenland, subject to the specific provisions set out in the Protocol on special arrangements for Greenland annexed to the Treaty.

(4) The provisions for the application of the principles set out in Articles 182 to 186 of the EC Treaty are set out in Council Decision 2001/822/EC of 27 November 2001 on the association of the overseas countries and territories with the European Community (Overseas Association Decision) ⁽²⁾, which continues to apply to Greenland under the conditions laid down in that Decision.

(5) The Council of the European Union in its conclusions of 24 February 2003 on the Mid-term Review of the Fourth Fisheries protocol between the European Community, the Government of Denmark and the Home Rule Government of Greenland, agreed that there is a need to broaden and strengthen future relations between the EU and Greenland taking into account the importance of fisheries and the structural development problems in Greenland. The Council further expressed its commitment to base the future relationship of the EU with Greenland after 2006 on a comprehensive partnership for sustainable development which will include a specific fisheries agreement, negotiated according to the general rules and principles for such agreements.

⁽¹⁾ OJ L 29, 1.2.1985, p. 1.

⁽²⁾ OJ L 314, 30.11.2001, p. 1.

- (6) In its above mentioned conclusions, the Council was of the view that within the next financial framework of the EU, and bearing in mind the needs of all the OCTs, future financial commitments towards Greenland should be orientated to their present level, while taking into account other prevailing circumstances and a fair balance of mutual interests, notably the development needs of Greenland and the needs of the Community for continued access to fish stocks available in Greenland waters on a sustainable basis, as well as financial contributions from other parties.
- (7) The Agreement on fisheries between the European Economic Community, on the one hand, and the Government of Denmark and the local Government of Greenland, on the other, signed in Brussels on 13 March 1984 ⁽¹⁾, which recalls the spirit of cooperation resulting from the Community's decision to grant the status of overseas territory to Greenland, will be replaced by a new Fisheries Partnership Agreement on 1 January 2007.
- (8) The Joint Declaration by the European Community, on the one hand, and the Home Rule Government of Greenland and the Government of Denmark, on the other, on partnership between the European Community and Greenland, signed in Luxembourg on 27 June 2006 ⁽²⁾, recalls the close historical, political, economic and cultural connections between the Community and Greenland and emphasises the need to strengthen further their partnership and cooperation in the areas covered by this decision.
- (9) The measures necessary for the implementation of this Decision 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 ⁽³⁾,

HAS DECIDED AS FOLLOWS:

PART ONE

GENERAL PROVISIONS ON THE RELATIONS BETWEEN THE COMMUNITY AND GREENLAND

Article 1

Partnership

1. Without prejudice to Decision 2001/822/EC, the partnership between the Community and Greenland aims in particular at broadening and strengthening relations between the Community and Greenland and contributing to the sustainable development of Greenland.

⁽¹⁾ OJ L 29, 1.2.1985, p. 9.

⁽²⁾ See page 32 of this Official Journal.

⁽³⁾ OJ L 184, 17.7.1999, p. 23.

2. The objectives of the partnership are:

- (a) to provide a framework for dialogue;
- (b) to achieve common goals by consulting on issues of common interest to ensure that the cooperation efforts have maximum effect in accordance with the priorities of both partners;
- (c) to provide a basis for economic, financial, scientific, educational and cultural cooperation founded on the principles of mutual responsibility and mutual support;
- (d) to contribute to the development of Greenland.

Article 2

Dialogue

The Community, Greenland and Denmark shall consult each other on the principles, detailed procedures and results of the partnership established through this Decision.

Article 3

Management

The implementation of this Decision shall be managed by the Commission and the Home Rule Government of Greenland in accordance with the roles and responsibilities of each of the partners as established in the financing agreements referred to in Article 12(2).

PART TWO

COOPERATION FOR THE SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT OF GREENLAND

Article 4

Areas of cooperation

Cooperation shall support sector policies and strategies that facilitate access to productive activities and resources, in particular:

- (a) education and training;
- (b) mineral resources;
- (c) energy;
- (d) tourism and culture;
- (e) research;
- (f) food safety.

*Article 5***Principles**

1. Cooperation shall be based on partnership and shall be implemented in accordance with the cooperation strategies adopted pursuant to Article 6. It shall ensure that resource flows are accorded on a predictable and regular basis and are flexible and tailored to the situation in Greenland.

2. Following the partnership approach, cooperation activities shall be decided upon in close consultation between the Commission, the Home Rule Government of Greenland and the Government of Denmark. Such consultations shall be conducted in full compliance with the respective institutional, legal and financial powers of each of the partners.

*Article 6***Programming**

1. Within the framework of the partnership, the Home Rule Government of Greenland shall assume responsibility for the formulation of sector policies, including strategies and their implementation. To ensure the sustainability of the sector policies and strategies, strategic environmental assessments will be carried out as appropriate.

2. Within the context of this Decision, the Home Rule Government of Greenland and the Commission shall prepare and adopt an indicative Programming Document for the Sustainable Development of Greenland (hereinafter referred to as the PDSD), in line with the sector policies referred to in paragraph 1.

3. The Home Rule Government of Greenland shall be responsible for:

- (a) adopting sector policies;
- (b) monitoring and evaluating the effects and results of the sector policies;
- (c) ensuring the proper, prompt and efficient execution of the strategies under the sector policies;
- (d) reporting back to the Commission on an annual basis on achievements under the sector policies.

4. The Commission shall be responsible for taking the annual financing decision on the overall allocation corresponding to the PDSD, in accordance with the procedure referred to in Article 10.

*Article 7***Scope of financing**

Within the framework of the sector policies established by the Home Rule Government of Greenland, financial support may be given to the following activities:

- (a) reforms and projects that are in keeping with the sector policies;
- (b) institutional development, capacity building and integration of environmental aspects;
- (c) technical cooperation programmes.

*Article 8***Eligibility for financing**

The Home Rule Government of Greenland shall be eligible for financial support provided under this Decision.

*Article 9***Implementing measures**

The measures necessary for the implementation of this part of the Decision shall be adopted in accordance with the procedure referred to in Article 10(2) within three months after this Decision takes effect.

*Article 10***Committee procedure**

1. The Commission shall be assisted by the Greenland Committee (hereinafter referred to as the Committee).

2. Where reference is made to this paragraph, 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 three months.

3. The Committee shall adopt its Rules of Procedure.

*Article 11***Financial assistance**

1. The Community financial assistance for the purposes of this part of the Decision shall cover the period from 1 January 2007 to 31 December 2013.

2. The Community financial assistance shall be granted by means of budgetary support.

3. The Community financial assistance shall be implemented using centralised direct management as defined in Article 53 of Council Regulation (EC, Euratom) No 1605/2002 of 25 June 2002 on the Financial Regulation applicable to the general budget of the European Communities ⁽¹⁾.

*Article 12***Controls**

1. This Decision shall be implemented in accordance with Regulation (EC, Euratom) No 1605/2002. In particular, Greenland is expected to put in place an adequate control system. Greenland shall conduct regular checks to ensure that the actions to be financed from the Community budget have been implemented correctly. In addition to its annual reporting on achievements under the sector policies, Greenland shall provide an annual statement assuring legality and regularity. It shall take appropriate measures to prevent irregularities and fraud and if necessary shall bring prosecutions to recover funds wrongly paid.

2. The detailed obligations of the Home Rule Government of Greenland in respect of the management of Community funds shall be set out in financing agreements concluded with the Commission for the purpose of implementing this Decision. In particular, the financing agreements will establish the sector indicators — aimed at the conditions for payments which must

be met, and the verification methods for reporting progress on sector indicators and for ensuring compliance with those conditions.

PART THREE

FINAL PROVISIONS*Article 13***Review**

By 30 June 2010, the Community, the Home Rule Government of Greenland and the Government of Denmark shall undertake a mid-term review of the partnership. Following this review the Commission shall, if deemed necessary, propose an amendment to this Decision.

*Article 14***Taking effect**

This Decision shall take effect on 1 January 2007. It shall apply until 31 December 2013.

*Article 15***Publication**

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

Done at Brussels, 17 July 2006.

For the Council

The President

E. TUOMIOJA

⁽¹⁾ OJ L 248, 16.9.2002, p. 1.

Joint declaration by the European Community, on the one hand, and the Home Rule Government of Greenland and the Government of Denmark, on the other, on partnership between the European Community and Greenland

1. PREAMBLE

The European Community, on the one hand, and the Home Rule Government of Greenland and the Government of Denmark, on the other,

- guided by the close historical, political, economic and cultural connections between Europe and Greenland,
- recalling the close and lasting links between the European Community and Greenland that were established by the Greenland Treaty in 1985, agreeing that these links should be maintained and confirming that mutual interests, notably the development needs of Greenland, will be taken into account by the European Community in its policies generally and in its relations with Greenland particularly,
- noting that the Council of the European Union agreed on 24 February 2003 that there is a need to broaden and strengthen future relations between the EU and Greenland, while taking into account the importance of fisheries and structural development problems in Greenland,
- considering that the European Community has a continuing geostrategic interest in treating Greenland, being part of a Member State, as a privileged neighbour and in contributing to Greenland's wellbeing and economic development,
- considering that Greenland is one of the overseas countries and territories associated with the European Community,
- considering that the European Community will take account of Greenland's interests in the context of the Arctic window of its northern dimension policy, mindful of the specific relevance of Greenland's fragile natural environment and of the challenges confronting its population,
- noting that, for the European Community, the maintenance of fishing activities in Greenland waters, by vessels flying the flag of a Member State, plays an essential part in the proper functioning of the common fisheries policy in the North Atlantic,

have decided to further strengthen the relationship and cooperation between the EU and Greenland, based on broadly shared interests, to the mutual benefit of their peoples, and to endow their mutual relations with a long term perspective.

2. COMMON OBJECTIVES

The European Community and Greenland state their intention to strengthen their partnership and cooperation in the following areas:

- cooperation in sustainably managing fish stocks and the marine environment as well as providing fishing opportunities for the vessels of EU Member States. This is, and will remain, an essential pillar of the partnership between the EC and Greenland and will continue to be based on the EC Greenland Fisheries Partnership Agreement and its successor Protocols,

- cooperation in the field of education and training,
- cooperation in the context of Greenland's efforts to develop its economy in a sustainable way, in particular in the fields of mineral resources, tourism and culture,
- cooperation in the context of the EC's efforts to deal with climate change and to promote sustainable development in the Arctic area,
- cooperation and joint scientific research on and practical development of alternative energy sources,
- joint research and development concerning northern maritime routes and Greenland's exclusive economic zone.

The European Community, for its part, states that:

- considering its objectives under the Greenland Treaty, which entered into force on 1 February 1985, and the close and mutually beneficial relations between Greenland and the European Union over the last 20 years,
- noting the geostrategic importance of Greenland, in particular in the context of the Arctic window of the northern dimension policy,
- considering the importance of Greenland as a responsible partner for the management and conservation of the environment and natural resources, including fish stocks,

it wishes to develop its cooperation with Greenland over the next seven years on the basis of a twofold partnership consisting of a Fisheries Partnership Agreement, taking into account the actual fishing possibilities available to the European Community in Greenland's waters, and of comprehensive cooperation in sectors other than fisheries, taking into account Greenland's status as an OCT;

it further wishes to ensure the continuation of the commitment of funds from the EU budget for co-operation with Greenland, oriented to the same level as in previous years, on the basis of this twofold partnership.

3. IMPLEMENTATION OF THE PARTNERSHIP

To achieve their common goals and develop their partnership, the European Community and Greenland will inform and consult each other in the areas covered by this partnership and any other mutually decided areas that arise in the spirit of this declaration.

They consider that:

- concerning the implementation of the part of the comprehensive partnership other than the Fisheries Partnership Agreement, Greenland's association with the European Community as an overseas country or territory represents an appropriate framework to respond to the needs of Greenland and to care for its specific needs, taking into account its very remote location, its extreme climate and its historical legacy,
- their cooperation should be developed in areas including education, food safety and the development of resources that have the potential to contribute towards the sustainable development of Greenland's economy and to remedy its structural problems,
- scientific cooperation covering new energy resources as well as climate change should be developed. This cooperation will also involve scientific research concerning Greenland's exclusive economic zone, bearing in mind future developments in maritime transport.

The European Community intends to pursue future cooperation with Greenland, in sectors other than fisheries, by means of a Council Decision, taken on the basis of Article 187 of the EC Treaty, to include funding through financial support from the budget of up to EUR 25 million per year within the financial perspective for 2007-2013.

Both sides share the conviction that their partnership will greatly benefit from the mutual knowledge and understanding acquired through the full use of all existing consultative forums and in particular through regular dialogue and consultations, as appropriate, between officials on both sides.

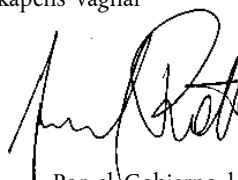
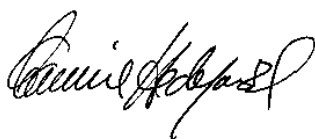
In this context Greenland intends to report at the end of each year on progress towards fulfilling the abovementioned objectives. Before the end of June 2010 the European Community and Greenland will undertake a comprehensive mid-term review of their partnership.

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V Lucemburku dne dvacátého sedmého června dva tisíce šest.
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Done at Luxembourg, on the twenty-seventh day of June, in the year two thousand and six.
Fait à Luxembourg, le vingt-sept juin deux mille six.
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Priimta du tūkstančiai šeštų metų birželio dvidešimt septintą dieną Liuksemburge.
Kelt Luxembourgban, a kettőezer-hatodik év június havának huszonhatedik napján.
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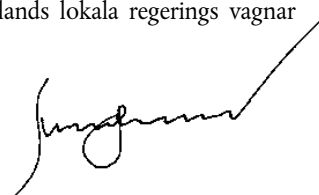
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Por el Gobierno de Dinamarca
Za vládu Dánska
For den danske regering
Für die Regierung Dänemarks
Taani valitsuse ja nimel
Για την Κυβέρνηση της Δανίας
For the Government of Denmark
Pour le gouvernement du Danemark
Per il governo della Danimarca
Dānijas valdības vārdā
Danijos Vyriausybės vardu
Dánia kormányza részéről
Għall-Gvern tad-Danimarka
Voor de Regering van Denemarken
W imieniu Rządu Danii
Pelo Governo da Dinamarca
Za vládu Dánska
Za vlado Danske
Tanskan hallituksen puolesta
På Danmarks regerings vägnar



Por el Gobierno local de Groenlandia
Za místní vládu Grónska
For det grønlandske landsstyre
Für die örtliche Regierung Grönlands
Gröönimaa kohaliku valitsuse nimel
Για την Τοπική Κυβέρνηση της Γροιλανδίας
For the Home Rule Government of Greenland
Pour le gouvernement local du Groenland
Per il governo locale della Groenlandia
Grenlandes pašvaldības vārdā
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Għall-Gvern Lokali tal-Groenlandja
Voor de Plaatselijke Regering van Groenland
W imieniu Rządu Lokalnego Grenlandii
Pelo Governo local da Gronelândia
Za miestnu vládu Grónska
Za lokalno vlado Grenlandije
Grönlannin maakuntahallituksen puolesta
På Grönlands lokala regerings vägnar



COMMISSION

COMMISSION DECISION

of 27 July 2006

concerning the financing of studies, impact assessments and evaluations covering the areas of food safety, animal health and welfare and zootechnics

(2006/527/EC)

THE COMMISSION OF THE EUROPEAN COMMUNITIES,

Having regard to the Treaty establishing the European Community,

Having regard to Council Decision 90/424/EEC of 26 June 1990 on expenditure in the veterinary field ⁽¹⁾, and in particular Article 20 thereof,

Whereas:

(1) Pursuant to Decision 90/424/EEC the Community is to undertake or assist the Member States in undertaking the technical and scientific measures necessary for the development of Community veterinary legislation and for the development of veterinary education or training.

(2) Studies, impact assessments as well as systematic and timely evaluations of its expenditure programmes are an established priority for the European Commission as a means of accounting for the management of allocated funds and as a way of promoting a lesson-learning culture throughout the organisation, particularly in a context of increased focus on results-based management.

(3) In order to carry out these tasks, a call for tender for an evaluation framework contract covering the policy areas of food safety, animal health and welfare, and zootechnics has been launched following an open procedure during the last quarter 2004.

(4) The framework contract has been concluded on 18 June 2005 for a period of 24 months. This framework contract is already providing relevant information serving as a basis for a Community decision making.

(5) All individual tasks shall be subject to specific agreements. These agreements shall be signed between the Commission and the selected contractor as defined in the framework contract.

(6) The measure provided for in this Decision is in accordance with the opinion of the Standing Committee on the Food Chain and Animal Health,

HAS DECIDED AS FOLLOWS:

Sole Article

The actions described in the Annex to this Decision are approved for the purpose of their financing.

Done at Brussels, 27 July 2006.

For the Commission
Markos KYPRIANOU
Member of the Commission

⁽¹⁾ OJ L 224, 18.8.1990, p. 19. Decision as last amended by Decision 2006/53/EC (OJ L 29, 2.2.2006, p. 37).

ANNEX

Domain:

Food safety, animal health and welfare and zootechnics

Legal basis:

Decision 90/424/EEC on expenditure in the veterinary field

Assignments:

- Various types of studies and other services supporting the design and preparation of Commission proposals
- Ex ante evaluations/impact assessments
- Interim and ex post evaluations

Studies and other services supporting the design and preparation of the future EU Animal Health Policy (2007-2013) have been targeted as priority in the Commission Annual Planning Strategy 2007. The programming of these studies will be decided according to the conclusion and recommendation of the ongoing Community Animal Health Policy Evaluation.

Appropriation 2006:

17 04 02 — Other measures in the veterinary, animal welfare and public health field: EUR 900 000

Budget:

EUR 900 000 for the second year of the framework contract

Number of specific actions foreseen:

Approximately six

All actions shall be governed by common public procurement rules: in casu use of existing framework contract.

COMMISSION DECISION

of 27 July 2006

amending Decision 2006/147/EC on introducing preventive vaccination against highly pathogenic avian influenza H5N1 and related provisions for movements in the Netherlands*(notified under document number C(2006) 3338)***(Only the Dutch text is authentic)**

(2006/528/EC)

THE COMMISSION OF THE EUROPEAN COMMUNITIES,

Having regard to the Treaty establishing the European Community,

Having regard to Council Directive 2005/94/EC of 20 December 2005 on Community measures for the control of avian influenza and repealing Directive 92/40/EEC ⁽¹⁾, and in particular, Article 57 (2) thereof,

Whereas:

- (1) Commission Decision 2006/147/EC of 24 February 2006 on introducing preventive vaccination against highly pathogenic avian influenza H5N1 and related provisions for movements in the Netherlands ⁽²⁾ approved the plan for preventive vaccination against highly pathogenic avian influenza H5N1, submitted by the Netherlands to the Commission on 21 February 2006 (the preventive vaccination plan). It also provided for certain measures to be applied in the Netherlands where preventive vaccination is carried out in certain poultry holdings at particular risk for the introduction of infection by that disease, including movement restrictions on vaccinated poultry.
- (2) In accordance with the preventive vaccination plan, the Netherlands has undertaken the preventive vaccination of 'organic' and 'free range layer' poultry and 'backyard poultry' against highly pathogenic avian influenza H5N1. The preventive vaccination plan is a pilot project since there is limited experience with preventive vaccination under such conditions and for some of the species concerned.
- (3) The preventive vaccination plan, as submitted by the Netherlands and approved by Decision 2006/147/EC, provides that preventive vaccination must be completed by 30 June 2006. The Netherlands carried out vaccinations in accordance with the preventive vaccination until that date.
- (4) In accordance with the obligations for reporting under Article 13 of Decision 2006/147/EC the Netherlands has submitted a report containing information on the implementation of the preventive vaccination plan and has

reported to the Standing Committee on the Food Chain and Animal Health as well as to expert working groups on the use of preventive vaccination and has requested to continue such vaccination.

- (5) In addition, on the basis of the information provided by the Netherlands, it seems that further field experience is needed with respect to the use of preventive vaccination against the spread of highly pathogenic avian influenza of H5N1 subtype. It is therefore appropriate to approve such preventive vaccination until 31 July 2007.
- (6) The Netherlands has also requested approval of certain amendments to the preventive vaccination plan submitted on 21 February 2006, as regards its practical implementation such as the species to be vaccinated, the use of bivalent vaccines, identification of individual birds in backyard poultry flocks, the place of vaccination and restrictions on movements of such poultry. The Commission considers that those amendments are in accordance with the relevant Community legislation.
- (7) Decision 2006/147/EC should therefore be amended accordingly.
- (8) The measures provided for in this Decision are in accordance with the opinion of the Standing Committee on the Food Chain and Animal Health,

HAS ADOPTED THIS DECISION:

Article 1

Decision 2006/147/EC is amended as follows:

1. Article 1(2)(a) is replaced by the following:

'(a) "backyard poultry" means chicken, turkeys and other species belonging to the *Galliformes* order and ducks, geese and other species belonging to the *Anseriformes* order which are kept by their owners:

(i) for their own consumption or use; or

(ii) as pets.'

⁽¹⁾ OJ L 10, 14.1.2006, p. 16.

⁽²⁾ OJ L 55, 25.2.2006, p. 47.

2. Article 2(1) is replaced by the following:

‘1. The plan for preventive vaccination against highly pathogenic avian influenza H5N1, as submitted by the Netherlands to the Commission on 21 February 2006, and the amendments to that plan, including the continuation of that plan until 31 July 2007, as submitted by the Netherlands to the Commission on 29 June 2006, are approved (the preventive vaccination plan).

In accordance with the preventive vaccination plan, the preventive vaccination against avian influenza shall be carried out with an inactivated heterologous vaccine of avian influenza subtype H5 or with a bivalent inactivated heterologous vaccine containing both avian influenza subtypes H5 and H7 authorised by the Netherlands in backyard poultry, organic and free range layers in the Netherlands.’

3. Article 4, point 1 is replaced by the following:

‘1. Vaccinated backyard poultry shall be individually identified and may only be:

(a) moved to other backyard holdings within the Netherlands; or

(b) temporarily gathered for shows and exhibitions in the Netherlands.

Such movements or gatherings must be in accordance with the preventive vaccination plan, including the maintenance of records of such movements and gatherings.’

Article 2

Addressee

This Decision is addressed to the Kingdom of the Netherlands.

Done at Brussels, 27 July 2006.

For the Commission

Markos KYPRIANOU

Member of the Commission
