

COMMISSION REGULATION (EEC) No 444/82**of 25 February 1982****fixing the export refunds on rice and broken rice**

THE COMMISSION OF THE EUROPEAN
COMMUNITIES,

Having regard to the Treaty establishing the European
Economic Community,

Having regard to Council Regulation (EEC) No
1418/76 of 21 June 1976 on the common organization
of the market in rice ⁽¹⁾, as last amended by the Act of
Accession of Greece ⁽²⁾, and in particular the first
sentence of the fourth subparagraph of Article 17 (2)
thereof,

Having regard to the opinion of the Monetary
Committee,

Whereas Article 17 of Regulation (EEC) No 1418/76
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;

Whereas Article 2 of Council Regulation (EEC) No
1431/76 of 21 June 1976 laying down general rules for
granting export refunds on rice and criteria for fixing
the amount of such refunds ⁽³⁾, provides that when
refunds are being fixed account must be taken of the
existing situation and the future trend with regard to
prices and availabilities of rice and broken rice on the
Community market on the one hand and prices for
rice and broken rice on the world market on the
other; whereas the same Article provides that it is also
important to ensure equilibrium and the natural devel-
opment of prices and trade on the rice market and,
furthermore, to take into account the economic aspect
of the proposed exports and the need to avoid distur-
bances of the Community market;

Whereas Regulation (EEC) No 1361/76 ⁽⁴⁾ lays down
the maximum percentage of broken rice allowed in
rice for which an export refund is fixed and specifies
the percentage by which that refund is to be reduced
where the proportion of broken rice in the rice
exported exceeds that maximum;

Whereas Article 3 of Regulation (EEC) No 1431/76
defines the specific criteria to be taken into account
when the export refund on rice and broken rice is
being calculated;

Whereas the world market situation or the specific
requirements of certain markets may make it necessary
to vary the refund for certain products according to
destination;

Whereas the refund must be fixed at least once a
month; whereas it may be altered in the intervening
period;

Whereas, if the refund system is to operate normally,
refunds should be calculated on the following basis:

- in the case of currencies which are maintained in
relation to each other at any given moment within
a band of 2.25 %, a rate of exchange based on
their central rate,
- for other currencies, an exchange rate based on the
arithmetic mean of the spot market rates of each of
these currencies recorded for a given period in
relation to the Community currencies referred to
in the previous indent;

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

Whereas the measures provided for in this Regulation
are in accordance with the opinion of the Management
Committee for Cereals,

HAS ADOPTED THIS REGULATION:

Article 1

The export refunds on the products listed in Article 1
of Regulation (EEC) No 1418/76 with the exception of
those listed in paragraph 1 (c) of that Article, exported
in the natural state, shall be as set out in the Annex
hereto.

Article 2

This Regulation shall enter into force on 26 February
1982.

⁽¹⁾ OJ No L 166, 25. 6. 1976, p. 1.

⁽²⁾ OJ No L 291, 19. 11. 1979, p. 17.

⁽³⁾ OJ No L 166, 25. 6. 1976, p. 36.

⁽⁴⁾ OJ No L 154, 15. 6. 1976, p. 11.

NB: The zones are those defined in Regulation (EEC) No 1124/77 (OJ No L 134, 28. 5. 1977).