

**COMMISSION REGULATION (EC) No 2145/96**  
**of 7 November 1996**  
**fixing the agricultural conversion rates**

THE COMMISSION OF THE EUROPEAN COMMUNITIES,

Having regard to the Treaty establishing the European Community,

Having regard to Council Regulation (EEC) No 3813/92 of 28 December 1992 on the unit of account and the conversion rates to be applied for the purposes of the common agricultural policy<sup>(1)</sup>, as last amended by Regulation (EC) No 150/95<sup>(2)</sup>, and in particular Articles 3 (2) and 12 thereof,

Whereas the agricultural conversion rates were fixed by Commission Regulation (EC) No 2112/96<sup>(3)</sup>;

Whereas Article 4 of Regulation (EEC) No 3813/92 provides that, subject to confirmation periods being triggered, the agricultural conversion rate for a currency is to be adjusted where the monetary gap between it and the representative market rate exceeds certain levels;

Whereas monetary gaps were in excess of five points on several occasions during the month of September for the Irish punt;

Whereas under these conditions it is appropriate to reduce rapidly the monetary gaps recorded in relation to representative market rates; whereas a new agricultural conversion rate should be fixed for the Irish punt on the basis of a marked reduction within the meaning of Article 1 of Regulation (EEC) No 3813/92;

Whereas Article 15 (2) of Commission Regulation (EEC) No 1068/93 of 30 April 1993 on detailed rules for determining and applying the agricultural conversion rates<sup>(4)</sup>, as last amended by Regulation (EC) No 1482/96<sup>(5)</sup>, provides that an agricultural conversion rate fixed in advance is to be adjusted in the gap between that rate and the agricultural conversion rate in force at the time of the

operative event applicable for the amount concerned exceeds four points; whereas, in that event, the agricultural conversion rate fixed in advance is brought more closely into line with the rate in force, up to the level of a gap of four points with that rate; whereas the rate which replaces the agricultural conversion rate fixed in advance should be specified;

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

HAS ADOPTED THIS REGULATION:

*Article 1*

The agricultural conversion rates are fixed in Annex I hereto.

*Article 2*

In the case referred to in Article 15 (2) of Regulation (EEC) No 1068/93, the agricultural conversion rate fixed in advance shall be replaced by the ecu rate for the currency concerned, shown in Annex II:

- Table A, where the latter rate is higher than the rate fixed in advance,
- Table B, where the latter rate is lower than the rate fixed in advance.

*Article 3*

Regulation (EC) No 2112/96 is hereby repealed.

*Article 4*

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

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

Done at Brussels, 7 November 1996.

*For the Commission*  
Franz FISCHLER  
*Member of the Commission*

<sup>(1)</sup> OJ No L 387, 31. 12. 1992, p. 1.

<sup>(2)</sup> OJ No L 22, 31. 1. 1995, p. 1.

<sup>(3)</sup> OJ No L 282, 1. 11. 1996, p. 62.

<sup>(4)</sup> OJ No L 108, 1. 5. 1993, p. 106.

<sup>(5)</sup> OJ No L 188, 27. 7. 1996, p. 22.

## ANNEX I

## Agricultural conversion rates

ECU 1 =	39,6411	Belgian and Luxembourg francs
	7,49997	Danish kroner
	1,92441	German marks
	311,761	Greek drachmas
	198,202	Portuguese escudos
	6,61023	French francs
	6,02811	Finnish marks
	2,15852	Dutch guilders
	0,812908	Irish punt
1	973,93	Italian lire
	13,5396	Austrian schillings
	165,198	Spanish pesetas
	8,64446	Swedish kroner
	0,809915	Pound sterling

## ANNEX II

## Agricultural conversion rates fixed in advance and adjusted

Table A			Table B		
ECU 1 =	38,1164	Belgian and Luxembourg francs	ECU 1 =	41,2928	Belgian and Luxembourg francs
	7,21151	Danish kroner		7,81247	Danish kroner
	1,85039	German marks		2,00459	German marks
	299,770	Greek drachmas		324,751	Greek drachmas
	190,579	Portuguese escudos		206,460	Portuguese escudos
	6,35599	French francs		6,88566	French francs
	5,79626	Finnish marks		6,27928	Finnish marks
	2,07550	Dutch guilders		2,24846	Dutch guilders
	0,781642	Irish punt		0,846779	Irish punt
1	898,01	Italian lire	2	056,18	Italian lire
	13,0188	Austrian schillings		14,1038	Austrian schillings
	158,844	Spanish pesetas		172,081	Spanish pesetas
	8,31198	Swedish kroner		9,00465	Swedish kroner
	0,778764	Pound sterling		0,843661	Pound sterling