

**COMMISSION REGULATION (EC) No 2310/2000**  
**of 18 October 2000**  
**opening an invitation to tender for the resale on the internal market of approximately 5 000**  
**tonnes of rice held by the Greek intervention agency**

THE COMMISSION OF THE EUROPEAN COMMUNITIES,

Having regard to the Treaty establishing the European Community,

Having regard to Council Regulation (EC) No 3072/95 of 22 December 1995 on the common organisation of the market in rice <sup>(1)</sup>, as last amended by Regulation (EC) No 1667/2000 <sup>(2)</sup>, and in particular the final indent of Article 8(b) thereof,

Whereas:

- (1) Approximately 5 000 tonnes of paddy rice held by the Greek intervention agency that proved impossible to sell against the invitation to tender opened by Commission Regulation (EC) No 528/2000 <sup>(3)</sup> and that remains in stock should be placed on sale on the Community market. The sale should be carried out in accordance with Commission Regulation (EEC) No 75/91 of 11 January 1991 laying down the procedures and conditions for the disposal of paddy rice held by intervention agencies <sup>(4)</sup>.
- (2) As a result of the product's deterioration after a long period of storage, a minimum selling price should be determined for each lot put up for sale, taking account of its specific characteristics, in accordance with Article 2(3)(d) of Commission Regulation (EEC) No 3597/90 of 12 December 1990 on the accounting rules for intervention measures involving the buying in, storage and sale of agricultural products by intervention agencies <sup>(5)</sup>, as last amended by Regulation (EC) No 1392/97 <sup>(6)</sup>.
- (3) 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 Greek intervention agency shall open, on the conditions laid down in Regulation (EEC) No 75/91, an invitation to

tender for the resale on the internal market of approximately 5 000 tonnes of rice held by that agency.

*Article 2*

Notwithstanding Article 3(2) of Regulation (EEC) No 75/91, tenders must relate to an entire lot.

*Article 3*

1. The closing date for the initial submission of tenders shall be 14 November 2000; for the final submission of tenders it shall be 21 November 2000.

2. Tenders must be submitted to the Greek intervention agency:

DIDAGEP  
 Directorate-General for the Administration of Purchases of  
 Agricultural Produce  
 Achamon Street 241  
 GR-10466 Athens  
 Tel. (30-1) 865 99 41 and 867 31 49  
 FAX (30-1) 862 93 73

*Article 4*

The following minimum selling prices shall be respected:

— Lot No 1 (price EUR 206/t):	
Store Miloi Giannitsa No 4:	1 615,100 t
Store Miloi Giannitsa No 5:	1 574,520 t
— Lot No 2 (price EUR 242/t):	
Store Miloi Giannitsa No 8:	810,218 t
Store Miloi Giannitsa No 9:	1 094,480 t

*Article 5*

By Tuesday of the week following the closing date for the submission of tenders, the Greek intervention agency shall notify the Commission of the quantities and prices of the lots sold.

*Article 6*

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

<sup>(1)</sup> OJ L 329, 30.12.1995, p. 18.

<sup>(2)</sup> OJ L 193, 29.7.2000, p. 3.

<sup>(3)</sup> OJ L 64, 11.3.2000, p. 9.

<sup>(4)</sup> OJ L 9, 12.1.1991, p. 15.

<sup>(5)</sup> OJ L 350, 14.12.1990, p. 43.

<sup>(6)</sup> OJ L 190, 19.7.1997, p. 22.

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

Done at Brussels, 18 October 2000.

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

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