

**COMMISSION REGULATION (EC) No 486/2001  
of 9 March 2001**

**concerning tenders submitted in response to the invitation to tender for the export to certain third  
countries of wholly milled long grain rice issued in Regulation (EC) No 2284/2000**

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 Article 13 <sup>(3)</sup> thereof,

Whereas:

- (1) An invitation to tender for the export refund on rice was issued under Commission Regulation (EC) No 2284/2000 <sup>(3)</sup>.
- (2) Article 5 of Commission Regulation (EEC) No 584/75 <sup>(4)</sup>, as last amended by Regulation (EC) No 299/95 <sup>(5)</sup>, allows the Commission to decide, in accordance with the procedure laid down in Article 22 of Regulation (EC) No 3072/95 and on the basis of the tenders submitted, to make no award.

(3) On the basis of the criteria laid down in Article 13 of Regulation (EC) No 3072/95 a maximum refund should not be fixed.

(4) 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*

No action shall be taken on the tenders submitted from 2 to 8 March 2001 in response to the invitation to tender for the export refund on wholly milled long grain rice to certain third countries issued in Regulation (EC) No 2284/2000.

*Article 2*

This Regulation shall enter into force on 10 March 2001.

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

Done at Brussels, 9 March 2001.

*For the Commission*

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<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 260, 14.10.2000, p. 16.

<sup>(4)</sup> OJ L 61, 7.3.1975, p. 25.

<sup>(5)</sup> OJ L 35, 15.2.1995, p. 8.