

COMMISSION REGULATION (EC) No 1196/2001**of 18 June 2001****closing invitations to tender for the refund on exports of wholly milled rice opened by Regulations (EC) No 2281/2000, (EC) No 2282/2000, (EC) No 2283/2000 and (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 ⁽¹⁾, as last amended by Regulation (EC) No 1667/2000 ⁽²⁾, and in particular Article 13(3) thereof,

Whereas:

- (1) The quantities of rice exported in the 2000/01 marketing year under the invitations to tender for the export refund opened by Commission Regulations (EC) No 2281/2000 ⁽³⁾, (EC) No 2282/2000 ⁽⁴⁾, (EC) No 2283/2000 ⁽⁵⁾ and (EC) No 2284/2000 ⁽⁶⁾ have reached the forecasts without exceeding the limits laid down by the Uruguay Round agreement. Those invitations to tender should be closed.

- (2) 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 invitations to tender to determine the export refund on wholly milled rice opened by Regulations (EC) No 2281/2000, (EC) No 2282/2000, (EC) No 2283/2000 and (EC) No 2284/2000 are hereby closed.

Article 2

This Regulation shall enter into force on the day following 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, 18 June 2001.

For the Commission

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⁽¹⁾ OJ L 329, 30.12.1995, p. 18.

⁽²⁾ OJ L 193, 29.7.2000, p. 3.

⁽³⁾ OJ L 260, 14.10.2000, p. 7.

⁽⁴⁾ OJ L 260, 14.10.2000, p. 10.

⁽⁵⁾ OJ L 260, 14.10.2000, p. 13.

⁽⁶⁾ OJ L 260, 14.10.2000, p. 16.