

**COMMISSION REGULATION (EC) No 406/2002
of 1 March 2002**

**deciding not to accept tenders submitted in response to the 284th partial invitation to tender as a
general intervention measure pursuant to Regulation (EEC) No 1627/89**

THE COMMISSION OF THE EUROPEAN COMMUNITIES,

Having regard to the Treaty establishing the European Community,

Having regard to Council Regulation (EC) No 1254/1999 of 17 May 1999 on the common organisation of the market in beef and veal ⁽¹⁾, as last amended by Commission Regulation (EC) No 2345/2001 ⁽²⁾, and in particular Article 47(8) thereof,

Whereas:

- (1) Commission Regulation (EC) No 562/2000 of 15 March 2000 laying down detailed rules for the application of Council Regulation (EC) No 1254/1999 as regards the buying-in of beef ⁽³⁾, as last amended by Regulation (EC) No 1564/2001 ⁽⁴⁾, lays down buying standards. Pursuant to the abovementioned Regulation, an invitation to tender was opened pursuant to Article 1(1) of Commission Regulation (EEC) No 1627/89 of 9 June 1989 on the buying-in of beef by invitation to tender ⁽⁵⁾, as last amended by Regulation (EC) No 238/2002 ⁽⁶⁾.
- (2) Article 13(1) of Regulation (EC) No 562/2000 lays down that a maximum buying-in price is to be fixed for quality R3, where appropriate, under each partial invitation to tender in the light of tenders received. In accordance with Article 13(2) of that Regulation, a decision may be taken not to proceed with the tendering procedure.
- (3) Once tenders submitted in respect of the 284th partial invitation to tender have been considered and taking account, pursuant to Article 47(8) of Regulation (EC) No 1254/1999, of the requirements for reasonable support

of the market and the seasonal trend in slaughtering and prices, it has been decided not to proceed with the tendering procedure.

- (4) Article 1(7) of Regulation (EC) No 1209/2001 of 20 June 2001 derogating from Regulation (EC) No 562/2000 laying down detailed rules for the application of Council Regulation (EC) No 1254/1999 as regards as buying-in of beef ⁽⁷⁾, as last amended by Regulation (EC) No 2579/2001 ⁽⁸⁾, also opens buying-in of carcasses and half-carcasses of store cattle and lays down special rules in addition to those laid down for the buying-in of other products. For the 284th partial invitation to tender, no tender has been submitted.
- (5) In the light of developments, this Regulation should enter into force immediately.
- (6) The measures provided for in this Regulation are in accordance with the opinion of the Management Committee for Beef and Veal,

HAS ADOPTED THIS REGULATION:

Article 1

No award shall be made against the 284th partial invitation to tender opened pursuant to Regulation (EEC) No 1627/89.

Article 2

This Regulation shall enter into force on 2 March 2002.

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

Done at Brussels, 1 March 2002.

For the Commission

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⁽¹⁾ OJ L 160, 26.6.1999, p. 21.

⁽²⁾ OJ L 315, 1.12.2001, p. 29.

⁽³⁾ OJ L 68, 16.3.2000, p. 22.

⁽⁴⁾ OJ L 208, 1.8.2001, p. 14.

⁽⁵⁾ OJ L 159, 10.6.1989, p. 36.

⁽⁶⁾ OJ L 39, 9.2.2002, p. 4.

⁽⁷⁾ OJ L 165, 21.6.2001, p. 15.

⁽⁸⁾ OJ L 344, 28.12.2001, p. 68.