COMMISSION REGULATION (EC) No 798/2003

of 8 May 2003

concerning tenders notified in response to the invitation to tender for the import of maize issued in Regulation (EC) No 581/2003

THE COMMISSION OF THE EUROPEAN COMMUNITIES,

Having regard to the Treaty establishing the European Community,

Having regard to Council Regulation (EEC) No 1766/92 of 30 June 1992 on the common organisation of the market in cereals (1), as last amended by Regulation (EC) No 1666/ 2000 (2), and in particular Article 12(1) thereof,

Whereas:

- An invitation to tender for the maximum reduction in the duty on maize imported into Portugal from third countries was opened pursuant to Commission Regulation (EC) No 581/2003 (3).
- Article 5 of Commission Regulation (EC) No 1839/ (2) 95 (4), as last amended by Regulation (EC) No 2235/ 2000 (5), allows the Commission to decide, in accordance with the procedure laid down in Article 23 of Regulation (EEC) No 1766/92 and on the basis of the tenders notified, to make no award.

- On the basis of the criteria laid down in Articles 6 and 7 (3)of Regulation (EC) No 1839/95 a maximum reduction in the duty 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 notified from 2 to 8 May 2003 in response to the invitation to tender for the reduction in the duty on imported maize issued in Regulation (EC) No 581/2003.

Article 2

This Regulation shall enter into force on 9 May 2003.

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

Done at Brussels, 8 May 2003.

For the Commission Franz FISCHLER Member of the Commission

⁽¹) OJ L 181, 1.7.1992, p. 21. (²) OJ L 193, 29.7.2000, p. 1.

⁽³⁾ OJ L 83, 1.4.2003, p. 36. (4) OJ L 177, 28.7.1995, p. 4.

⁽⁵⁾ OJ L 256, 10.10.2000, p. 13.