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(Acts adopted pursuant to Title V of the Treaty on European Union)

COUNCIL COMMON POSITION

of 20 November 2000

amending Common Position 96/184/CFSP concerning arms exports to the former Yugoslavia

(2000/722/CFSP)

THE COUNCIL OF THE EUROPEAN UNION,

Having regard to the Treaty on European Union, and in particular Article 15 thereof,

Whereas:

- On 26 February 1996 the Council adopted Common Position 96/184/CFSP concerning arms exports to the former Yugoslavia (1), which was amended by Decisions 98/498/CFSP (2) and 99/481/CFSP (3).
- The Council has concluded that developments in Croatia, in particular its undertaking to apply in full the Dayton/Paris Agreements and its policy with regard to arms exports, justifies a lifting of the restrictive measures taken against that State pursuant to Common Position 96/184/CFSP.
- (3) It is understood that, with respect to arms exports to Croatia and the former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia, the Member States will apply strictly the European Union Code of Conduct for arms exports adopted on 8 June 1998,

HAS ADOPTED THIS COMMON POSITION:

Article 1

Common Position 96/184/CFSP is hereby amended as follows:

- 1. the word 'Croatia' in point 2(i) shall be deleted;
- 2. point 2(ii), shall be replaced by the following:
 - '(ii) Subject to the provisions of UN Security Council Resolution No 1021, export licence applications to the former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia and to Croatia shall be considered on a case-by-case basis.

This provision is adopted on the understanding that the Member States will apply strictly the European Union Code of Conduct for arms exports adopted on 8 June 1998. They will also take into account the objectives of the European Union policy in the region, fundamentally aimed at pacification and stabilisation in the area, including the need for arms control and reduction to the lowest possible level and confidence-building measures.'

Article 2

This Common Position shall take effect on the day of its adoption.

Article 3

This Common Position shall be published in the Official Journal.

Done at Brussels, 20 November 2000.

For the Council The President H. VÉDRINE

OJ L 58, 7.3.1996, p. 1. OJ L 225, 12.8.1998, p. 1. OJ L 188, 21.7.1999, p. 3.

COUNCIL DECISION

of 20 November 2000

repealing Council Decision 1999/320/CFSP on a European Union contribution to the collection and destruction of weapons in Albania

(2000/723/CFSP)

THE COUNCIL OF THE EUROPEAN UNION,

Having regard to the Treaty on European Union and in particular Article 23(2),

Having regard to Joint Action 1999/34/CFSP on the European Union's contribution to combating the destabilising accumulation and spread of small arms and light weapons (1), and in particular Article 7 thereof,

Whereas:

- On 10 May 1999, the Council adopted Decision 1999/ (1) 320/CFSP on a European Union contribution to the collection and destruction of weapons in Albania (2), which was intended to implement Joint Action 1999/ 34/CFSP by supporting the pilot project of the United Nations Department for Disarmament Affairs (DDA) and the United Nations Development Programme (UNDP), on 'weapons in exchange for development in the Gramsh district of Albania'.
- On 17 December 1999, the Council adopted Decision (2) 1999/846/CFSP (3) amending Decision 1999/320/CFSP so as to add to it the Elbasan and Peshkopja districts.
- On 5 April 2000, the United Nations Development (3) Programme (UNDP) informed the Commission that it was unable to undertake to fulfil the terms and conditions of a draft contract proposed by the Commission in

- accordance with Decision 1999/320/CFSP, and in particular Article 3 thereof, on the destruction of the arms collected in the Gramsh, Elbasan and Peshkopja districts.
- Accordingly Decision 1999/320/CFSP, as amended by (4) Decision 1999/846/CFSP should be repealed,

HAS DECIDED AS FOLLOWS:

Article 1

Decision 1999/320/CFSP shall be repealed.

Article 2

This Decision shall take effect on the date of its adoption.

Article 3

This Decision shall be published in the Official Journal.

Done at Brussels, 20 November 2000.

For the Council The President H. VÉDRINE

OJ L 9, 15.1.1999, p. 1. OJ L 123, 13.5.1999, p. 12. OJ L 326, 18.12.1999, p. 74.

COUNCIL DECISION

of 20 November 2000

extending and amending Decision 1999/730/CFSP concerning a European Union contribution to combating the destabilising accumulation and spread of small arms and light weapons in Cambodia

(2000/724/CFSP)

THE COUNCIL OF THE EUROPEAN UNION,

Having regard to the Treaty on European Union, and in particular Article 23(2) thereof,

Having regard to Council Joint Action 1999/34/CFSP of 17 December 1998 on the European Union's contribution to combating the destabilising accumulation and spread of small arms and light weapons (1), and in particular Article 6 thereof,

Whereas:

- (1) On 15 November 1999 the Council adopted Decision 1999/730/CFSP (²) concerning a European Union contribution to combating the accumulation and spread of small arms and light weapons in Cambodia, which aimed to implement Joint Action 1999/34/CFSP through the appointment of a project manager instructed to carry out the objectives specified in Article 1 of Decision 1999/730/CFSP.
- (2) These objectives could not be fulfilled by 15 November 2000, the date on which Decision 1999/730/CFSP expired.
- (3) It is important that the European Union's contribution should produce positive results which can be presented at the United Nations International Conference on the Illicit Trade in Small Arms and Light Weapons in all its Aspects. This Conference is due to take place in July and August 2001.

(4) Decision 1999/730/CFSP should therefore be extended and amended,

HAS DECIDED AS FOLLOWS:

Article 1

Decision 1999/730/CFSP shall be amended as follows:

- (a) in Article 3(1), the financial reference amount shall be replaced by EUR 1 300 000;
- (b) in Article 4, second paragraph the date of '15 November 2000' shall be replaced by '15 November 2001';
- (c) the Annex shall be replaced by the Annex to this Decision.

Article 2

This Decision shall take effect on 16 November 2000.

Article 3

This Decision shall be published in the Official Journal.

Done at Brussels, 20 November 2000.

For the Council
The President
H. VÉDRINE

ANNEX

TERMS OF REFERENCE FOR THE PROJECT MANAGER

- 1. For the purposes of Article 1(2), the Project Manager, with the support of relevant experts, will work closely with relevant government officials from the Council of Ministers, the Ministry of the Interior and other appropriate Ministries, in the development of appropriate laws and regulations. For these purposes, the Project Manager may organise training visits for relevant officials and will continue to supply the legal expertise necessary to enable the Government to draft legislation adopted by the Council of Ministers and submitted by it to the National Assembly.
- 2. For the purposes of Article 1(2)(b), workshops or consultations involving relevant Cambodian authorities will be organised locally under the supervision of the Project Manager to raise awareness of requirements and international best practice related to record-keeping and management and security of weapons stocks and to developing policies, guidelines and practices in this area. To that end, the Project Manager may organise a pilot project through which to work out suitable courses of conduct. He will ensure that the relevant authorities are closely involved in defining and carrying through the project.
- 3. For the purposes of Article 1(2)(c), the Project Manager will, with the support of relevant experts, assist the Government of Cambodia, the police and security forces and the National Council for Demobilisation in developing policies and procedures for identifying surplus arms and for the collection and destruction of them, in particular in the context of the initial demobilisation and reintegration programmes planned in two provinces in the year 2000, and monitor progress on these issues during the demobilisation process. The Project Manager will, if necessary, supervise and monitor implementation of 'Arms versus development' pilot projects in Kracheh and Pursat. The Project Manager will, with support of relevant experts, assist the Cambodian Government, the police and security forces in destroying the arms which have been collected, by means of destruction ceremonies.
- 4. For the purposes of Article 1(2)(d), financial aid will be allocated by the Project Manager to support activities by non-governmental organisations in Cambodia, including the coalition 'Working Group for Weapons Reduction in Cambodia', such as awareness raising, information sharing and education and training programmes. These activities may take place in selected regions in Cambodia, as agreed between the Project Manager and the relevant organisations.
- The Project Manager shall ensure that appropriate procedures are established for effective monitoring and evaluation of activities. To this end he shall seek full cooperation from the Government of Cambodia and the police and security forces.

I

(Acts whose publication is obligatory)

COUNCIL REGULATION (EC) No 2549/2000

of 17 November 2000

establishing additional technical measures for the recovery of the stock of cod in the Irish Sea (ICES Division VIIa)

THE COUNCIL OF THE EUROPEAN UNION,

Having regard to the Treaty establishing the European Community and in particular Article 37 thereof,

Having regard to the proposal from the Commission (1),

Having regard to the opinion of the European Parliament (2),

Whereas:

- (1) The stock of mature cod in the Irish Sea is currently depleted and urgent and temporary technical measures for fishing in the Irish Sea have been laid down in Commission Regulation (EC) No 304/2000 of 9 February 2000 establishing measures for the recovery of the stock of cod in the Irish Sea (ICES Division VII a) (3).
- Greater protection of juvenile cod in the Irish Sea is (2) required so that more juveniles survive to become adults.
- (3) Additional technical measures intended to ensure the survival of juvenile cod are required within the Irish Sea.
- (4) Also, conditions defined in footnote 6 of Annex I of Council Regulation (EC) No 850/98 of 30 March 1998 for the conservation of fishery resources through technical measures for the protection of juveniles of marine organisms (4) currently allow, during 2000, relaxed percentage by-catch conditions to prevail for various fishing gears both within and in waters adjacent to the Irish Sea (ICES Division VIIa). The application of these conditions during 2000 is not desirable. The aforementioned footnote 6 therefore should not be applicable in the Irish Sea,

HAS ADOPTED THIS REGULATION:

Article 1

This Regulation lays down technical measures additional to those defined in Regulation (EC) No 850/98 which shall apply exclusively to the Irish Sea (ICES Division VIIa as defined in Council Regulation (EEC) No 3880/91 of 17 December 1991 on the submission of nominal catch statistics by Member States fishing in the north-east Atlantic) (5).

Article 2

When fishing in the Irish Sea, it shall be prohibited to use:

- 1. any demersal towed net other than beam trawls incorporating a cod-end and/or extension piece made entirely or partly of multiple-twine netting materials;
- 2. any demersal towed net other than beam trawls incorporating a cod-end and/or extension piece of which the thickness of the twine exceeds 6 mm;
- 3. any demersal towed net other than beam trawls incorporating a cod-end of mesh size range 70 to 79 mm or of mesh size range 80 to 89 mm having more than 120 meshes in any circumference of said cod-end excluding the joinings and selvedges;
- 4. any demersal towed net which includes any individual quadrilateral mesh of which the bars of the mesh are not of approximately equal length;
- 5. any demersal towed net other than beam trawls of mesh size range 70 to 79 mm or of mesh size range 80 to 99 mm unless the entire upper half of the anterior part of such a net consists of a panel of netting material attached directly to the headline of the net, extending towards the posterior of the net for at least 15 meshes and constructed of diamond-meshed netting material of which no individual mesh is of mesh size less than 140 mm;

OJ C 248 E, 29.8.2000, p. 120. Opinion of 10 October 2000 (not yet published in the Official

OJI L 125, 27.4.1998, p. 1. Regulation as last amended by Regulation (EC) No 1298/2000 (OJ L 148, 22.6.2000, p. 1).

⁽⁵⁾ OJ L 365, 31.12.1991, p. 1.

- 6. any beam trawl of mesh size range 70 to 79 mm or of mesh size range 80 to 99 mm unless the entire upper half of the anterior part of such a net consists of a panel of netting material attached directly to the headline of the net, extending towards the posterior of the net for at least 30 meshes and constructed of diamond-meshed netting material of which no individual mesh is of mesh size less than 180 mm;
- 7. any demersal towed net other than beam trawls of mesh size range 80 to 99 mm unless a square-meshed panel of mesh size of at least 80 mm is included in such a net, in accordance with the conditions laid down in Article 7 of Regulation (EC) No 850/98;
- 8. any demersal towed net to which a cod-end of mesh size less than 100 mm is attached by any means other than being sewn into the net, anterior to the cod-end.

Article 3

Footnote 6 of Annex I of Regulation (EC) No 850/98 shall not apply to ICES Division VII a.

Article 4

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

The conditions of Article 2 shall apply from 1 January 2001.

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

Done at Brussels, 17 November 2000.

For the Council
The President
J. GLAVANY

COUNCIL REGULATION (EC) No 2550/2000

of 17 November 2000

amending Regulation (EC) No 1626/94 laying down certain technical measures for the conservation of marine resources in the Mediterranean

THE COUNCIL OF THE EUROPEAN UNION,

Having regard to the Treaty establishing the European Community,

Having regard to Council Regulation (EC) No 1626/94 of 27 June 1994 laying down certain technical measures for the conservation of fishery resources in the Mediterranean (1) and, in particular, Article 3(1) and Article 6(1) thereof,

Having regard to the proposal from the Commission,

Whereas:

- Article 3(1) and Article 6(1) of Regulation (EC) No (1) 1626/94 set out certain technical conservation measures which were subject to derogating conditions until 31 May 2000 relating to certain traditional fisheries or fishing activities.
- The fishing activities currently benefiting under the said (2)derogations constitute a very important contribution to the overall economy of a large number of fishing-related industries.
- Article 2(2) of Council Regulation (EC) No 1448/1999 of 24 June 1999 introducing transitional measures for the management of certain Mediterranean fisheries and amending Regulation (EC) No 1626/94 (2) stipulates that, on the basis of all relevant scientific information, the Commission is to present to the Council a proposal establishing whether the fishing activities covered by the abovementioned derogating conditions may be continued and the technical conditions that should govern them.
- The scientific, technical and economic committee for fisheries (STECF) has given its opinion on the biological impact of the aforesaid fisheries during its plenary meeting of 3 to 7 April 2000. On the basis of the information available from STECF, it may be concluded that the adverse impact of certain fisheries on the resources may be alleviated under certain technical conditions.
- The debate on the common fisheries policy which will take place during 2002 following the report presented by the Commission under Article 14(2) of Council Regulation (EEC) No 3760/92 of 20 December 1992 establishing a Community system for fisheries and aquaculture (3) will provide a basis for a long-standing solution

to this and other problems of certain Mediterranean fisheries.

- It is therefore appropriate to provide for the continuation of the existing derogations to Articles 3(1) and 6(1) until 31 December 2002, under technical conditions alleviating the impact of fisheries on the resources.
- Member States should regulate by national legislation (7) the abovementioned technical conditions in accordance with guidelines set up on the basis of STECF advice.
- Regulation (EC) No 1626/94 should accordingly be amended.

HAS ADOPTED THIS REGULATION:

Article 1

Regulation (EC) No 1626/94 is hereby amended as follows:

1. in Article 3(1), the second subparagraph shall be replaced by the following:

'However, any fishing gear used at a distance from the coast of less than that laid down in the first subparagraph and used in accordance with national law in force on 1 January 1994 may be used until 31 December 2002, unless the Council acting by a qualified majority on a proposal from the Commission, decides otherwise in the light of scientific data proving that their use does not have a negative impact on resources.':

- 2. in Article 3, the following paragraph shall be inserted:
 - The use of fishing gear under the conditions of the second subparagraph of paragraph 1 shall be prohibited, with exception of the fishery conducted with "gangui", unless the Member State concerned has enacted measures ensuring that for these fisheries:
 - the prohibition envisaged in paragraph 3 is not jeopardised,
 - fishing does not interfere with the activities of vessels using gears other than trawls, seines or similar towed nets,
 - fishing is restricted to target species not subject to a minimum landing size in accordance with Article 8,
 - fishing is restricted in such a way that catches of species mentioned in Annex IV are minimal,

⁽¹⁾ OJ L 171, 6.7.1994, p. 1. Regulation as last amended by Regulation (EC) No 812/2000 (OJ L 100, 20.4.2000, p. 3).
(2) OJ L 167, 2.7.1999, p. 7.
(3) OJ L 389, 31.12.1992, p. 1. Regulation as last amended by Regulation (EC) No 1181/98 (OJ L 164, 9.6.1998, p. 1).

 vessels are subject to special fishing permits issued in accordance with Council Regulation (EC) No 1627/94 of 27 June 1994 laying down general provisions concerning special fishing permits (*).

These measures shall be communicated to the Commission before 31 December 2000.

- (*) OJ L 171, 6.7.1994, p. 7.';
- 3. in Article 6(1), the date of '31 May 2000' shall be replaced by '31 December 2002';
- 4. in Article 6, the following paragraph shall be inserted: '1a. The use of fishing gear under the conditions of the second subparagraph of paragraph 1 shall be prohibited unless the Member State concerned has enacted measures ensuring that for these fisheries:

- fishing is restricted to target species not subject to a minimum landing size in accordance with Article 8,
- fishing is restricted in such a way that catches of species mentioned in Annex IV are minimal,
- vessels are subject to special fishing permits issued in accordance with Regulation (EC) No 1627/94.

These measures shall be communicated to the Commission before 31 December 2000.'

Article 2

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

It shall apply as from 1 June 2000.

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

Done at Brussels, 17 November 2000.

For the Council The President J. GLAVANY

COMMISSION REGULATION (EC) No 2551/2000

of 20 November 2000

establishing the standard import values for determining the entry price of certain fruit and vegetables

THE COMMISSION OF THE EUROPEAN COMMUNITIES,

Having regard to the Treaty establishing the European Community,

Having regard to Commission Regulation (EC) No 3223/94 of 21 December 1994 on detailed rules for the application of the import arrangements for fruit and vegetables (¹), as last amended by Regulation (EC) No 1498/98 (²), and in particular Article 4(1) thereof,

Whereas:

(1) Regulation (EC) No 3223/94 lays down, pursuant to the outcome of the Uruguay Round multilateral trade negotiations, the criteria whereby the Commission fixes the standard values for imports from third countries, in respect of the products and periods stipulated in the Annex thereto. (2) In compliance with the above criteria, the standard import values must be fixed at the levels set out in the Annex to this Regulation,

HAS ADOPTED THIS REGULATION:

Article 1

The standard import values referred to in Article 4 of Regulation (EC) No 3223/94 shall be fixed as indicated in the Annex hereto.

Article 2

This Regulation shall enter into force on 21 November 2000.

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

Done at Brussels, 20 November 2000.

ANNEX
to the Commission Regulation of 20 November 2000 establishing the standard import values for determining the entry price of certain fruit and vegetables

(EUR/100 kg)

CN code	Third country code (¹)	Standard import value
0702 00 00	052	93,8
	204	99,8
	999	96,8
0709 90 70	052	80,9
	999	80,9
0805 20 10	204	81,7
	999	81,7
0805 20 30, 0805 20 50, 0805 20 70,		
0805 20 90	052	65,9
	999	65,9
0805 30 10	052	67,6
	528	28,7
	600	74,9
	999	57,1
0808 10 20, 0808 10 50, 0808 10 90	039	82,1
	388	41,1
	400	106,3
	404	84,2
	999	78,4
0808 20 50	052	78,4
	064	57,4
	400	111,1
	999	82,3

⁽¹⁾ Country nomenclature as fixed by Commission Regulation (EC) No 2543/1999 (OJ L 307, 2.12.1999, p. 46). Code '999' stands for 'of other origin'.

COMMISSION REGULATION (EC) No 2552/2000

of 20 November 2000

applying a reduction coefficient to refund certificates for goods not covered by Annex I to the Treaty, as provided for by Article 8(5) of Regulation (EC) No 1520/2000

THE COMMISSION OF THE EUROPEAN COMMUNITIES,

Having regard to the Treaty establishing the European Community,

Having regard to Council Regulation (EC) No 3448/93 of 6 December 1993 laying down the trade arrangements applicable to certain goods resulting from the processing of agricultural products (1), as last amended by Commission Regulation (EC) No 2491/98 (2),

Having regard to Commission Regulation (EC) No 1520/2000 of 13 July 2000 laying down common detailed rules for the application of the system of granting export refunds on certain agricultural products exported in the form of goods not covered by Annex I to the Treaty and the criteria for fixing the amount of such refunds (3), as amended by Regulation (EC) No 2390/2000 (4), and in particular Article 8(3), (4), (5) and (6) thereof.

Whereas:

- The total amount of applications valid from 1 December 2000 exceeds the maximum referred to in Article 8(4) of Regulation (EC) No 1520/2000.
- A reduction coefficient calculated on the basis of Article 8(3) and (4) of Regulation (EC) No 1520/2000 should therefore be applied to amounts requested in the form of refund certificates during the abovementioned period,

HAS ADOPTED THIS REGULATION:

Article 1

The amounts for applications of refund certificates valid from 1 December 2000 are subject to a reduction coefficient of 0,22.

Article 2

This Regulation shall enter into force on 21 November 2000.

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

Done at Brussels, 20 November 2000.

For the Commission Erkki LIIKANEN Member of the Commission

OJ L 318, 20.12.1993, p. 18. OJ L 309, 19.11.1998, p. 28. OJ L 177, 15.7.2000, p. 1. OJ L 276, 28.10.2000, p. 3.

COMMISSION REGULATION (EC) No 2553/2000 of 20 November 2000

on the supply of cereals as food aid

THE COMMISSION OF THE EUROPEAN COMMUNITIES,

Having regard to the Treaty establishing the European Community,

Having regard to Council Regulation (EC) No 1292/96 of 27 June 1996 on food-aid policy and food-aid management and special operations in support of food security (1), and in particular Article 24(1)(b) thereof,

Whereas:

- (1) The abovementioned Regulation lays down the list of countries and organisations eligible for Community aid and specifies the general criteria on the transport of food aid beyond the fob stage.
- (2) Following the taking of a number of decisions on the allocation of food aid, the Commission has allocated cereals to certain beneficiaries.
- (3) It is necessary to make these supplies in accordance with the rules laid down by Commission Regulation (EC) No 2519/97 of 16 December 1997 laying down general rules for the mobilisation of products to be supplied

under Council Regulation (EC) No 1292/96 as Community food aid (²). It is necessary to specify the time limits and conditions of supply to determine the resultant costs,

HAS ADOPTED THIS REGULATION:

Article 1

Cereals shall be mobilised in the Community, as Community food aid for supply to the recipient listed in the Annex, in accordance with Regulation (EC) No 2519/97 and under the conditions set out in the Annex.

The tenderer is deemed to have noted and accepted all the general and specific conditions applicable. Any other condition or reservation included in the tender is deemed unwritten.

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, 20 November 2000.

ANNEX

LOTS A and B

- 1. Action No: 3/2000 (A); 2/2000 (B)
- 2. **Beneficiary** (²): WFP (World Food Programme), via Cristoforo Colombo 426, I-00145 Rome; tel: (39-06) 6513 2988; fax: 6513 2844/3; telex: 626675 WFP I
- 3. Beneficiary's representative: to be designated by the beneficiary
- 4. Country of destination: A: Eritrea; B: North Korea
- 5. Product to be mobilised: common wheat
- 6. Total quantity (tonnes net): 18 500
- 7. Number of lots: 2 (A: 9 500 tonnes; B: 9 000 tonnes)
- 8. Characteristics and quality of the product (3) (5): see OJ C 114, 29.4.1991, p. 1 (II.A.(1)(a))
- 9. Packaging (7): see OJ C 267, 13.9.1996, p. 1 (1.0 A1.c, and 2.c and B(2))
- 10. Labelling or marking (6) (8): see OJ C 114, 29.4.1991, p. 1 (II.A(3))
 - Language to be used for the markings: A: English; B: English and Korean
 - Supplementary markings: —
- 11. Method of mobilisation of the product: the Community market
- 12. Specified delivery stage: free at port of landing landed (9)
- 13. Alternative delivery stage: free at port of shipment fob stowed
- 14. a) Port of shipment:
 - b) Loading address: —
- 15. Port of landing: A: Massawa; B: Nampo
- 16. Place of destination:
 - port or warehouse of transit:
 - overland transport route: —
- 17. Period or deadline of supply at the specified stage:
 - first deadline: A: 21.1.2001; B: 25.2.2001
 - second deadline: A: 4.2.2001; B: 11.3.2001
- 18. Period or deadline of supply at the alternative stage:
 - first deadline: 18-31.12.2000
 - second deadline: 1-14.1.2001
- 19. Deadline for the submission of tenders (at 12 noon, Brussels time):
 - first deadline: 5.12.2000
 - second deadline: 19.12.2000
- 20. Amount of tendering guarantee: EUR 5 per tonne
- 21. Address for submission of tenders and tendering guarantees (¹): Bureau de l'aide alimentaire, Attn. Mr T. Vestergaard, bâtiment Loi 130, Bureau 7/46, Rue de la Loi/Wetstraat 200, B-1049 Bruxelles/Brussel; telex: 25670 AGREC B; fax: (32-2) 296 70 03/296 70 04 (exclusively)
- 22. Export refund (4): refund applicable on 15.11.2000, fixed by Commission Regulation (EC) No 2398/2000 (OJ L 276, 28.10.2000, p. 18)

LOT C

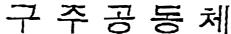
- 1. Action No: 1/2000
- 2. **Beneficiary** (²): WFP (World Food Programme), via Cristoforo Colombo 426, I-00145 Rome; tel: (39-06) 6513 2988; fax: 65 13 28 44/3; telex: 626675 WFP I
- 3. Beneficiary's representative: To be designated by the beneficiary
- 4. Country of destination: Angola
- 5. Product to be mobilised: Maize
- 6. Total quantity (tonnes net): 14 000
- 7. Number of lots: 1
- 8. Characteristics and quality of the product (3) (5): see OJ C 114, 29.4.1991, p. 1 (II.A(1)(d))
- 9. Packaging: (7): see OJ C 267, 13.9.1996, p. 1 (1.0, A (1.c and 2.c) and B(2))
- 10. Labelling or marking (6): see OJ C 114, 29.4.1991, p. 1 (II.A(3))
 - Language to be used for the markings: Portuguese
 - Supplementary markings: —
- 11. Method of mobilisation of the product: the Community market
- 12. Specified delivery stage: free at port of landing landed (9)
- 13. Alternative delivery stage: free at port of shipment fob stowed
- 14. a) Port of shipment:
 - b) Loading address: —
- 15. Port of landing: Luanda
- 16. Place of destination:
 - port or warehouse of transit: -
 - overland transport route: —
- 17. Period or deadline of supply at the specified stage:
 - first deadline: 28.1.2001
 - second deadline: 11.2.2001
- 18. Period or deadline of supply at the alternative stage:
 - first deadline: 18-31.12.2000
 - second deadline: 1-14.1.2001
- 19. Deadline for the submission of tenders (at 12 noon, Brussels time):
 - first deadline: 5.12.2000
 - second deadline: 19.12.2000
- 20. Amount of tendering guarantee: EUR 5 per tonne
- 21. Address for submission of tenders and tendering guarantees (1): Bureau de l'aide alimentaire, Attn Mr T. Vestergaard, Bâtiment Loi 130, Bureau 7/46, Rue de la Loi/Wetstraat 200, B-1049 Bruxelles/Brussels; telex: 25670 AGREC B; fax: (32-2) 296 70 03/296 70 04 (exclusively)
- 22. **Export refund** (*): refund applicable on 15.11.2000, fixed by Commission Regulation (EC) No 2398/2000 (OJ L 276, 28.10.2000, p. 18)

Notes:

- (1) Supplementary information: Torben Vestergaard (tel. (32-2) 299 30 50); fax (32-2) 296 20 05).
- (2) The supplier shall contact the beneficiary or its representative as soon as possible to establish which consignment documents are required.
- (3) The supplier shall deliver to the beneficiary a certificate from an official entity certifying that for the products to be delivered the standards applicable, relative to nuclear radiation, in the Member State concerned, have not been exceeded. The radioactivity certificate must indicate the caesium-134 and -137 and iodine-131 levels.
- (4) Commission Regulation (EC) No 259/98 (OJ L 25, 31.1.1998, p. 39) is applicable as regards the export refund. The date referred to in Article 2 of the said Regulation is that referred to in point 22 of this Annex.

 The supplier's attention is drawn to the last subparagraph of Article 4(1) of the above Regulation. The photocopy of the export licence shall be sent as soon as the export declaration has been accepted (fax (32-2) 296 20 05).
- (5) The supplier shall supply to the beneficiary or its representative, on delivery, the following document:

 phytosanitary certificate.
- (6) Notwithstanding OJ C 114, point II.A (3) (c) is replaced by the following: 'the words "European Community".
- (7) Since the goods may be rebagged, the supplier must provide 2 % of empty bags of the same quality as those containing the goods, with the marking followed by a capital 'R'.
- (8) The marking in Korea must be made as follows on the reverse side of the packaging: European Community:



Common wheat:



(9) In addition to the provisions of Article 14(3) of Regulation (EC) No 2519/97, vessels chartered shall not appear on any of the four most recent quarterly lists of detained vessels as published by the Paris Memorandum of Understanding on Port State Control (Council Directive 95/21/EC, (OJ L 157, 7.7.1995, p. 1)).

COMMISSION REGULATION (EC) No 2554/2000

of 20 November 2000

on the authorisation of transfers between the quantitative limits of textiles and clothing products originating in the Republic of India

THE COMMISSION OF THE EUROPEAN COMMUNITIES,

Having regard to the Treaty establishing the European Community,

Having regard to Council Regulation (EEC) No 3030/93 of 12 October 1993 on common rules for imports of certain textile products from third countries (1), as last amended by Regulation (EC) No 2424/2000 (2), and in particular Article 7 thereof,

Whereas:

- The Memorandum of Understanding between the Euro-(1) pean Community and the Republic of India on arrangements in the area of market access for textiles products, initialled on 31 December 1994 (3) (the Memorandum of Understanding) provides that favourable consideration shall be given to certain requests for 'exceptional flexibility' by India.
- The Republic of India made a request on 12 October (2) 2000.
- (3) The transfers requested by the Republic of India fall within the limits of the flexibility provisions referred to in Article 7 and set out in Annex VIII to Regulation (EEC) No 3030/93.
- (4) Pursuant to paragraph 2 of the Memorandum of Understanding, the Republic of India submitted on 16 October 2000 a notification to the WTO for the binding of the

- customs duties for the tariff lines agreed in the Memorandum of Understanding.
- Furthermore, on 16 October the Republic of India (5) amended its customs duties to align them with the rates notified to the WTO.
- It is therefore appropriate to grant the remainder of the (6) exceptional flexibilities for the quota year 2000.
- It is desirable that this Regulation enters into force the (7) day after its publication in order to allow operators to benefit from it as soon as possible.
- (8) The measures provided for in this Regulation are in accordance with the opinion of the Management Committee for textiles provided for in Article 17 of Regulation (EEC) No 3030/93,

HAS ADOPTED THIS REGULATION:

Article 1

Transfers between the quantitative limits for textile goods originating in the Republic of India are authorised for the quota year 2000 as detailed in the Annex to this Regulation.

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, 20 November 2000.

For the Commission Pascal LAMY Member of the Commission

OJ L 275, 8.11.1993, p. 1. OJ L 286, 11.11.2000, p. 1. OJ L 153, 27.6.1996, p. 53.

ANNEX

— category 1:	transfer of 250 000 kilograms from the quantitative limits of category 3
— category 4:	transfer of 1 700 000 kilograms from the quantitative limits of category 15
— category 5:	transfer of 750 000 kilograms from the quantitative limits of category 15
— category 6:	transfer of 1 200 000 kilograms from the quantitative limits of category 24
— category 26:	transfer of 600 000 kilograms from the quantitative limits of categories 3 and 15.

COMMISSION REGULATION (EC) No 2555/2000

of 20 November 2000

amending Regulation (EC) No 2461/1999 laying down detailed rules for the application of Council Regulation (EC) No 1251/1999 as regards the use of land set aside for the production of raw materials for the manufacture within the Community of products not primarily intended for human or animal consumption

THE COMMISSION OF THE EUROPEAN COMMUNITIES,

Having regard to the Treaty establishing the European Community,

Having regard to Council Regulation (EC) No 1251/1999 of 17 May 1999 establishing a support system for producers of certain arable crops (1), as last amended by Regulation (EC) No 1672/2000 (2), and in particular Article 9 thereof,

Whereas:

- The flax and hemp sector has recently been reformed. (1) Council Regulation (EC) No 1673/2000 of 27 July 2000 on the common organisation of the markets in flax and hemp grown for fibre (3), provides for a processing aid for flax and hemp straw. These two products, intended for fibre production, have also been added to the support system for producers of certain arable crops and are therefore eligible for area aid.
- (2) Under Commission Regulation (EC) No 2461/1999 (4), amended by Regulation (EC) No 827/2000 (5), the production of linseed and hemp seed on set-aside land is possible provided that such seed is intended for uses other than textiles. Article 25 of that Regulation stipulates that the raw materials listed in Annex I are not eligible for any other aid, in particular under intervention schemes intended to stabilise agricultural markets. In the case of hemp, the varieties used to produce fibre are the same as those used for other purposes, which may pose problems during controls aimed at verifying compliance with Article 25 of Regulation (EC) No 2461/ 1999. This is not a problem in the case of flax because the varieties are different. Under those circumstances hemp seed should be deleted from the list of raw materials which can be grown on set-aside land.
- In addition, the new scheme for flax concerns flax (3) intended for the production of fibre, which is a broader concept than the expression 'flax for textile use' used hitherto in Regulation (EC) No 2461/1999. The terminology used in Annex I to Regulation (EC) No 2461/ 1999 should therefore be adapted.

- Article 22 of Regulation (EC) No 2461/1999 stipulates that the raw materials listed in Annex II may be grown on land set aside on condition that they are intended for use in the manufacture of the end products listed in Annex III.
- Annex II to Regulation (EC) No 2461/1999 provides for the possibility of growing perennial plants such as Miscanthus sinensis on set-aside land. New information indicates that that plant can, after having been shredded, be used as litter for horses or for drying or cleaning plants, which is a non-food use which meets the objective of Regulation (EC) No 2461/1999.
- Annex III to Regulation (EC) No 2461/1999 should therefore be amended to introduce that new use for Miscanthus sinensis.
- The Management Committee for Cereals has not delivered an opinion within the time limit laid down by its chairman,

HAS ADOPTED THIS REGULATION:

Article 1

Regulation (EC) No 2461/1999 is amended as follows:

- 1. In Annex I, the description of the products falling within CN code ex 1204 00 90 is replaced by the following:
 - 'ex 1 204 00 90 Linseed other than for sowing but intended for uses other than fibre production';
- 2. In Annex I, the following CN code is deleted:
 - 'ex 1 207 99 91 Hemp seeds other than for sowing and mentioned in Annex B to Commission Regulation (EEC) No 1164/89, destined for uses other than textiles';
- 3. In Annex III, the following indent is inserted after the 11th indent:
 - '- Miscanthus sinensis falling within CN code 0602 90 51, shredded, intended for use as horse litter, mulch, additives to improve compost and litter for the drying and cleaning of plants,'.

OJ L 160, 26.6.1999, p. 1. OJ L 193, 29.7.2000, p. 13. OJ L 193, 29.7.2000, p. 16. OJ L 299, 20.11.1999, p. 16. OJ L 101, 26.4.2000, p. 21.

Article 2

This Regulation shall enter into force on the 20th 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, 20 November 2000.

COMMISSION REGULATION (EC) No 2556/2000

of 20 November 2000

fixing the export refunds on beef and veal

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), and in particular Article 33(12) thereof,

Whereas:

- Article 33 of Regulation (EC) No 1254/1999 provides that the difference between prices on the world market for the products listed in Article 1 of that Regulation and prices for those products within the Community may be covered by an export refund.
- Regulation (EEC) No 32/82 (2), as last amended by Regu-(2) lation (EC) No 744/2000 (3), Regulation (EEC) No 1964/ 82 (4), as last amended by Regulation (EC) No 1470/ 2000 (5), and Regulation (EEC) No 2388/84 (6), as last amended by Regulation (EEC) No 3661/92 (7), lay down the conditions for granting special export refunds on certain cuts of beef and veal and certain preserved beef and veal products.
- It follows from applying those rules and criteria to the (3) foreseeable situation on the market in beef and veal that the refund should be as set out below.
- Given the current market situation in the Community (4)and the possibilities of disposal in certain third countries in particular, export refunds should be granted, on the one hand, on bovine animals intended for slaughter of a live weight greater than 220 kilograms and less than 300 kilograms, and, on the other on adult bovine animals of a live weight of at least 300 kilograms.
- OJ L 160, 26.6.1999, p. 21.

- OJ L 160, 26.6.1999, p. 21.
 OJ L 4, 8.1.1982, p. 11.
 OJ L 89, 11.4.2000, p. 3.
 OJ L 212, 21.7.1982, p. 48.
 OJ L 165, 6.7.2000, p. 16.
 OJ L 221, 18.8.1984, p. 28.
 OJ L 370, 19.12.1992, p. 16.

- Export refunds should be granted for certain destinations on some fresh or chilled meat listed in the Annex I under CN code 0201, on some frozen meat listed in the Annex I under CN code 0202, on some meat or offal listed in the Annex I under CN code 0206 and on some other prepared or preserved meat or offal listed in the Annex I under CN code 1602 50 10.
- (6) In view of the wide differences in products covered by CN codes 0201 20 90 9700 and 0202 20 90 9100 used for refund purposes, refunds should only be granted on cuts in which the weight of bone does not exceed one third
- In the case of meat of bovine animals, boned or boneless, salted and dried, there are traditional trade flows to Switzerland. To allow this trade to continue, the refund should be set to cover the difference between prices on the Swiss market and export prices in the Member States.
- In the case of certain other cuts and preserves of meat or offal shown in Annex I under CN codes 1602 50 31 to 1602 50 80, the Community share of international trade may be maintained by granting a refund corresponding to that at present available.
- (9) In the case of other beef and veal products, a refund need not be fixed since the Community's share of world trade is not significant.
- Commission Regulation (EEC) No 3846/87 (8), as last amended by Regulation (EC) No 2425/2000 (9), establishes the agricultural product nomenclature for the purposes of export refunds.
- In order to simplify customs export formalities for operators, the refunds on all frozen cuts should be brought into line with those on fresh or chilled cuts other than those from adult male bovine animals.

⁽⁸⁾ OJ L 366, 24.12.1987, p. 1.

⁽⁹⁾ OJ L 279, 1.11.2000, p. 14.

- Checks on products covered by CN code 1602 50 should be stepped up by making the granting of refunds on these products conditional on manufacture under the arrangements provided for in Article 4 of Council Regulation (EEC) No 565/80 of 4 March 1980 on the advance payment of export refunds in respect of agricultural products (1), as amended by Regulation (EEC) No 2026/83 (²).
- Refunds on female animals should vary depending on their age in order to prevent abuses in the export of certain pure-bred breeding animals.
- Opportunities exist for the export to certain third countries of heifers other than those intended for slaughter, but to prevent any abuse control criteria should be laid down to ensure that these animals are not more than 36 months old.
- 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

The list of products on which export refunds as referred to in Article 33 of Regulation (EC) No 1254/1999 are granted and the amount thereof shall be as set out in Annex I of this Regulation.

- The destinations are identified in Annex II to this Regulation.
- The products must meet the relevant health marking requirements of:
- Chapter XI of Annex I to Council Directive 64/433/EEC (3),
- Chapter VI of Annex I to Council Directive 94/65/EC (4),
- Chapter VI of Annex B to Council Directive 77/99/EEC (5).

Article 2

The grant of the refund for product code 0102 90 59 9000 of the nomenclature for export refunds and for exports to the third countries in zone 10 listed in Annex II to this Regulation shall be subject to presentation, when the customs formalities for export are completed, of the original and one copy of the veterinary certificate signed by an official veterinarian certifying that these are heifers of an age of not more than 36 months. The original of the certificate shall be returned to the exporter and the copy, certified as being in accordance with the regulations by the customs authorities, shall be attached to the application for payment of the refund.

Article 3

This Regulation shall enter into force on 21 November 2000.

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

Done at Brussels, 20 November 2000.

⁽¹⁾ OJ L 62, 7.3.1980, p. 5. (2) OJ L 199, 22.7.1983, p. 12.

⁽³⁾ OJ L 121, 29.7.1964, p. 2012/64. (4) OJ L 368, 31.12.1994, p. 10. (5) OJ L 26, 31.1.1977, p. 85.

 ${\it ANNEX}$ to the Commission Regulation of 20 November 2000 fixing export refunds on beef

Product code	Destination	Unit of measurement	Refunds (7)
0102 10 10 9120	A00	EUR/100 kg live weight	46,00
0102 10 10 9130	B02	EUR/100 kg live weight	13,50
	В03	EUR/100 kg live weight	9,50
	039	EUR/100 kg live weight	4,50
0102 10 30 9120	A00	EUR/100 kg live weight	46,00
0102 10 30 9130	B02	EUR/100 kg live weight	13,50
	B03	EUR/100 kg live weight	9,50
	039	EUR/100 kg live weight	4,50
0102 10 90 9120	A00	EUR/100 kg live weight	46,00
0102 90 41 9100	B02	EUR/100 kg live weight	35,50
0102 90 51 9000	B02	EUR/100 kg live weight	13,50
	B03	EUR/100 kg live weight	9,50
	039	EUR/100 kg live weight	4,50
0102 90 59 9000	B02	EUR/100 kg live weight	13,50
	B03	EUR/100 kg live weight	9,50
	039	EUR/100 kg live weight	4,50
	075 (⁹)	EUR/100 kg live weight	35,50
0102 90 61 9000	B02	EUR/100 kg live weight	13,50
	В03	EUR/100 kg live weight	9,50
	039	EUR/100 kg live weight	4,50
0102 90 69 9000	B02	EUR/100 kg live weight	13,50
	B03	EUR/100 kg live weight	9,50
	039	EUR/100 kg live weight	4,50
0102 90 71 9000	B02	EUR/100 kg live weight	35,50
	B03	EUR/100 kg live weight	23,00
	039	EUR/100 kg live weight	12,00
0102 90 79 9000	B02	EUR/100 kg live weight	35,50
	B03	EUR/100 kg live weight	23,00
	039	EUR/100 kg live weight	12,00
0201 10 00 9110 (1)	B02	EUR/100 kg net weight	62,00
	B03	EUR/100 kg net weight	43,00
	039	EUR/100 kg net weight	20,50
0201 10 00 9120	B02	EUR/100 kg net weight	14,50
	B03	EUR/100 kg net weight	10,00
	039	EUR/100 kg net weight	5,00
0201 10 00 9130 (1)	B02	EUR/100 kg net weight	84,50
	B03	EUR/100 kg net weight	56,50
	039	EUR/100 kg net weight	29,00
0201 10 00 9140	B02	EUR/100 kg net weight	20,00
	B03	EUR/100 kg net weight	14,00
	039	EUR/100 kg net weight	7,00
0201 20 20 9110 (1)	B02	EUR/100 kg net weight	84,50
	B03	EUR/100 kg net weight	56,50
	039	EUR/100 kg net weight	29,00

Product code	Destination	Unit of measurement	Refunds (7)
0201 20 20 9120	B02	EUR/100 kg net weight	20,00
	B03	EUR/100 kg net weight	14,00
	039	EUR/100 kg net weight	7,00
0201 20 30 9110 (1)	B02	EUR/100 kg net weight	62,00
``	B03	EUR/100 kg net weight	43,00
	039	EUR/100 kg net weight	20,50
0201 20 30 9120	B02	EUR/100 kg net weight	14,50
	B03	EUR/100 kg net weight	10,00
	039	EUR/100 kg net weight	5,00
0201 20 50 9110 (1)	B02	EUR/100 kg net weight	107,00
0201 20 30 3110 ()	B03	EUR/100 kg net weight	71,50
	039	EUR/100 kg net weight	35,50
0201 20 50 0120	D02		
0201 20 50 9120	B02	EUR/100 kg net weight	25,50
	B03	EUR/100 kg net weight	17,50
	039	EUR/100 kg net weight	8,50
0201 20 50 9130 (1)	B02	EUR/100 kg net weight	62,00
	B03	EUR/100 kg net weight	43,00
	039	EUR/100 kg net weight	20,50
0201 20 50 9140	B02	EUR/100 kg net weight	14,50
	B03	EUR/100 kg net weight	10,00
	039	EUR/100 kg net weight	5,00
0201 20 90 9700	B02	EUR/100 kg net weight	14,50
	B03	EUR/100 kg net weight	10,00
	039	EUR/100 kg net weight	5,00
0201 30 00 9050	400 (3)	EUR/100 kg net weight	20,50
	404 (4)	EUR/100 kg net weight	20,50
0201 30 00 9060 (6)	B02	EUR/100 kg net weight	20,00
()	B03	EUR/100 kg net weight	13,00
	039	EUR/100 kg net weight	6,50
	809, 822	EUR/100 kg net weight	16,00
0201 30 00 9100 (2) (6)	B02	EUR/100 kg net weight	149,50
	B03	EUR/100 kg net weight	102,00
	039	EUR/100 kg net weight	52,00
	809, 822	EUR/100 kg net weight	132,50
0201 30 00 9120 (2) (6)	B08	EUR/100 kg net weight	82,00
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	B03	EUR/100 kg net weight	56,50
	039	EUR/100 kg net weight	28,50
	809, 822	EUR/100 kg net weight	72,50
0202 10 00 9100	B02	EUR/100 kg net weight	14,50
	B03	EUR/100 kg net weight	10,00
	039	EUR/100 kg net weight	5,00
0202 10 00 9900	B02	EUR/100 kg net weight	20,00
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	039	EUR/100 kg net weight	7,00
0202 20 10 9000	B02	EUR/100 kg net weight	20,00
0202 20 10 /000	B03	EUR/100 kg net weight	14,00
	039	EUR/100 kg net weight	7,00
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0202 20 30 9000	B02 B03	EUR/100 kg net weight EUR/100 kg net weight	14,50 10,00

Product code	Destination	Unit of measurement	Refunds (7)
0202 20 50 9100	B02	EUR/100 kg net weight	25,50
	B03	EUR/100 kg net weight	17,50
	039	EUR/100 kg net weight	8,50
0202 20 50 9900	B02	EUR/100 kg net weight	14,50
	B03	EUR/100 kg net weight	10,00
	039	EUR/100 kg net weight	5,00
0202 20 90 9100	B02	EUR/100 kg net weight	14,50
	B03	EUR/100 kg net weight	10,00
	039	EUR/100 kg net weight	5,00
0202 30 90 9100	400 (3)	EUR/100 kg net weight	20,50
	404 (4)	EUR/100 kg net weight	20,50
0202 30 90 9200 (6)	B02	EUR/100 kg net weight	20,00
	B03	EUR/100 kg net weight	13,00
	039	EUR/100 kg net weight	6,50
	809, 822	EUR/100 kg net weight	16,00
0206 10 95 9000	B02	EUR/100 kg net weight	20,00
	B03	EUR/100 kg net weight	13,00
	039	EUR/100 kg net weight	6,50
	809, 822	EUR/100 kg net weight	16,00
0206 29 91 9000	B02	EUR/100 kg net weight	20,00
	B03	EUR/100 kg net weight	13,00
	039	EUR/100 kg net weight	6,50
	809, 822	EUR/100 kg net weight	16,00
0210 20 90 9100	039	EUR/100 kg net weight	10,00
1602 50 10 9170 (⁸)	B02	EUR/100 kg net weight	19,50
	B03	EUR/100 kg net weight	15,00
	039	EUR/100 kg net weight	15,00
1602 50 31 9125 (5)	A00	EUR/100 kg net weight	77,00
1602 50 31 9325 (⁵)	A00	EUR/100 kg net weight	68,50
1602 50 39 9125 (⁵)	A00	EUR/100 kg net weight	77,00
1602 50 39 9325 (⁵)	A00	EUR/100 kg net weight	68,50
1602 50 39 9425 (5)	A00	EUR/100 kg net weight	26,00
1602 50 39 9525 (⁵)	A00	EUR/100 kg net weight	26,00
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1602 50 80 9535 (⁸)	A00	EUR/100 kg net weight	15,00

⁽¹) Entry under this subheading is subject to the submission of the certificate appearing in the Annex to amended Commission Regulation (EEC) No 32/82.

NB: The product codes and the 'A' series destination codes are set out in Commission Regulation (EEC) No 3846/87 (OJ L 366, 24.12.1987, p. 1) as amended.

The numeric destination codes are set out in Regulation (EC) No 2543/1999 (OJ L 307, 2.12.1999, p. 46).

⁽²⁾ The refund is granted subject to compliance with the conditions laid down in amended Regulation (EEC) No 1964/82.

⁽³⁾ Carried out in accordance with amended Commission Regulation (EEC) No 2973/79 (OJ L 336, 29.12.1979, p. 44).

⁽⁴⁾ Carried out in accordance with amended Commission Regulation (EC) No 2051/96 (OJ L 274, 26.10.1996, p. 18).

⁽⁵⁾ OJ L 221, 19.8.1984, p. 28.

⁽⁶⁾ The lean bovine meat content excluding fat is determined in accordance with the procedure described in the Annex to Commission Regulation (EEC) No 2429/86 (OJ L 210, 1.8.1986, p. 39).

The term 'average content' refers to the sample quantity as defined in Article 2(1) of Regulation (EC) No 2457/97 (OJ L 340, 11.12.1997, p. 29). The sample is to be taken from that part of the consignment presenting the highest risk.

⁽⁷⁾ Article 33(10) of amended Regulation (EC) No 1254/1999 provides that no export refunds shall be granted on products imported from third countries and re-exported to third countries.

⁽⁸⁾ The refund is granted only on products manufactured under the arrangement provided for in Article 4 of amended Council Regulation (EEC) No 565/80.

^(°) The grant of the refund is subject to compliance with the conditions referred to in Article 2 of this Regulation.

The other destinations are defined as follows:

B02: B08 and B09

- B03: Ceuta, Melilla, Iceland, Norway, Faroe Islands, Andorra, Gibraltar, Vatican, Estonia, Latvia, Lithuania, Poland, Czech Republic, Slovakia, Hungary, Romania, Bulgaria, Albania, Slovenia, Croatia, Bosnia and Herzegovina, Yugoslavia, Former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia, the communes of Livigno and Campione d'Italia, Helgoland, Greenland, Cyprus, stores and provisions (destinations referred to in Articles 36 and 45, and if appropriate in Article 44, of Commission Regulation (EC) No 800/1999, as amended)
- B08: Malta, Turkey, Ukraine, Belarus, Moldova, Russia, Georgia, Armenia, Azerbaijan, Kazakhstan, Turkmenistan, Uzbekistan, Tajikistan, Kyrgyzstan, Morocco, Algeria, Tunisia, Libya, Egypt, Lebanon, Syria, Iraq, Iran, Israel, West Bank/Gaza Strip, Jordan, Saudi Arabia, Kuwait, Bahrain, Qatar, United Arab Emirates, Oman, Yemen, Pakistan, Sri Lanka, Myanmar (Burma), Thailand, Vietnam, Indonesia, Philippines, China, North Korea, Hong Kong
- B09: Sudan, Mauritania, Mali, Burkina Faso, Niger, Chad, Cape Verde, Senegal, Gambia, Guinea-Bissau, Guinea, Sierra Leone, Liberia, Côte d'Ivoire, Ghana, Togo, Benin, Nigeria, Cameroon, Central African Republic, Equatorial Guinea, São Tomé and Príncipe, Gabon, Congo (Republic), Congo (Democratic Republic), Rwanda, Burundi, Saint Helena and dependencies, Angola, Ethiopia, Eritrea, Djibouti, Somalia, Uganda, Tanzania, Seychelles and dependencies, British Indian Ocean Territory, Mozambique, Mauritius, Comoros, Mayotte, Zambia, Malawi, South Africa, Lesotho.

COMMISSION REGULATION (EC) No 2557/2000

of 20 November 2000

on issuing A2 export licences for fruit and vegetables

THE COMMISSION OF THE EUROPEAN COMMUNITIES,

Having regard to the Treaty establishing the European Community,

Having regard to Commission Regulation (EC) No 2190/96 of 14 November 1996 on detailed rules for implementing Council Regulation (EC) No 2200/96 as regards export refunds on fruit and vegetables (1), as last amended by Regulation (EC) No 298/2000 (2), and in particular Article 3(4) thereof,

Whereas:

- (1) Commission Regulation (EC) No 2432/2000 (3) set the indicative refund rates and the indicative quantities for A2 export licences, other than those applied for in the context of food aid.
- For tomatoes, oranges, table grapes and apples, in view of the economic situation and taking account of information received by operators via their applications for A2 licences, the definitive refund rates should be set at a different rate from the indicative rates. The percentages for the issuing of licences for the quantities applied for should also be set. The definitive rates may not be more than 50 % more than the indicative rates.

Pursuant to Article 3(5) of Regulation (EC) No 2190/96, applications for rates in excess of the corresponding definitive rates shall be considered null and void,

HAS ADOPTED THIS REGULATION:

Article 1

- For A2 export licences for which applications have been submitted pursuant to Article 1 of Regulation (EC) No 2432/ 2000 the actual date of application referred to in the second subparagraph of Article 3(1) of Regulation (EC) No 2190/96 is hereby set at 21 November 2000.
- The licences referred to in the first paragraph shall be issued at the definitive refund rates and at the percentages for the quantities applied for as indicated in the Annex to this Regulation.
- Pursuant to Article 3(5) of Regulation (EC) No 2190/96, applications referred to in the first paragraph for rates in excess of the corresponding definitive rates set out in the Annex shall be considered null and void.

Article 2

This Regulation shall enter into force on 21 November 2000.

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

Done at Brussels, 20 November 2000.

OJ L 292, 15.11.1996, p. 12. OJ L 34, 9.2.2000, p. 16. OJ L 279, 1.11.2000, p. 30.

ANNEX

Product	Definitive refund rates (EUR/t net)	Percentages for the issuing of licences
Tomatoes	27	100 %
Oranges	40	98 %
Lemons	45	98 %
Table grapes	34	100 %
Apples	19	94 %

COMMISSION REGULATION (EC) No 2558/2000

of 20 November 2000

determining the world market price for unginned cotton and the rate for the aid

THE COMMISSION OF THE EUROPEAN COMMUNITIES,

Having regard to the Treaty establishing the European Community,

Having regard to the Act of Accession of Greece, and in particular paragraphs 3 and 10 of Protocol 4 on cotton, as last amended by Council Regulation (EC) No 1553/95 (1),

Having regard to Council Regulation (EC) No 1554/95 of 29 June 1995 (2) laying down general rules for the system of aid for cotton and repealing Regulation (EEC) No 2169/81, as last amended by Regulation (EC) No 1419/98 (3), and in particular Articles 3, 4 and 5 thereof,

Whereas:

- Article 3 of Regulation (EC) No 1554/95 requires a (1) world market price for unginned cotton to be periodically determined from the world market price determined for ginned cotton, using the historical relationship between the two prices as specified in Article 1(2) of Commission Regulation (EEC) No 1201/ 89 of 3 May 1989 laying down rules for implementing the system of aid for cotton (4), as last amended by Regulation (EC) No 1624/1999 (5). If it cannot be determined in this way it is to be based on the last price determined.
- Article 4 of Regulation (EC) No 1554/95 requires the world market price for ginned cotton to be determined for a product of specific characteristics using the most favourable offers and quotations on the world market of those considered representative of the real market trend. To this end an average is to be calculated of offers and quotations on one or more European exchanges for a cif product to a North European port from the supplier countries considered most representative as regards international trade. These rules for determination of the world market price for ginned cotton provide for adjust-

ments to reflect differences in product quality and the nature of offers and quotations; whereas these adjustments are specified in Article 2 of Regulation (EEC) No 1201/89.

- Application of the above rules gives the world market (3) price for unginned cotton indicated hereunder.
- The first subparagraph of Article 5(3a) of Regulation (EC) No 1554/95 stipulates that the advance payment rate for the aid is to be the guide price less the world market price and less a further amount calculated by the formula applicable when the guaranteed maximum quantity based on the production estimated for unginned cotton plus at least 15 %. Commission Regulation (EC) No 1842/2000 (6) fixes the production estimated for the 2000/2001 marketing year. The application of this method results in the fixing of the advance payment rate for each Member State at the levels set out below,

HAS ADOPTED THIS REGULATION:

Article 1

- The world market price for unginned cotton as indicated in Article 3 of Regulation (EC) No 1554/95 is set at 40,620 EUR/100 kg.
- The advance payment of the aid referred to in Article 5(3a), first subparagraph, of Regulation (EC) No 1554/95 is fixed at:
- 40,168 EUR/100 kg in Spain,
- 21,140 EUR/100 kg in Greece,
- 65,680 EUR/100 kg in other Member States.

Article 2

This Regulation shall enter into force on 21 November 2000.

OJ L 148, 30.6.1995, p. 45. OJ L 148, 30.6.1995, p. 48.

OJ L 190, 4.7.1998, p. 4. OJ L 123, 4.5.1989, p. 23. OJ L 192, 24.7.1999, p. 39.

⁽⁶⁾ OJ L 220, 31.8.2000, p. 14.

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

Done at Brussels, 20 November 2000.

II

(Acts whose publication is not obligatory)

COMMISSION

COMMISSION DECISION

of 20 November 2000

concerning the non-inclusion of tecnazene in Annex I to Council Directive 91/414/EEC and the withdrawal of authorisations for plant protection products containing this active substance

(notified under document number C(2000) 3354)

(Text with EEA relevance)

(2000/725/EC)

THE COMMISSION OF THE EUROPEAN COMMUNITIES,

Having regard to the Treaty establishing the European Community,

Having regard to Council Directive 91/414/EEC of 15 July 1991 concerning the placing of plant protection products on the market (1), as last amended by Commission Directive 2000/ $10/EC(^{2}),$

Having regard to Commission Regulation (EEC) No 3600/92 of 11 December 1992 laying down the detailed rules for the implementation of the first stage of the programme of work referred to in Article 8(2) of Council Directive 91/414/EEC concerning the placing of plant protection products on the market (3), as last amended by Regulation (EC) No 1972/ 1999 (4), and in particular Article 7(3a)(b) thereof,

Whereas:

- Commission Regulation (EC) No 933/94 (5), as last amended by Regulation (EC) No 2230/95 (6), has laid down the active substances of plant protection products, designated by the rapporteur Member States for the implementation of Regulation (EEC) No 3600/92 and identified the notifiers for each active substance.
- Tecnazene is one of the 90 active substances covered by the first stage of the work programme provided for in Article 8(2) of Directive 91/414/EEC.
- In accordance with Article 7(1)(c) of Regulation (EEC) (3) No 3600/92, United-Kingdom, being the designated rapporteur Member State, submitted on 15 May 1996 to

the Commission, the report of its assessment of the information submitted by the sole notifier in accordance with the provisions of Article 6(1) of this Regulation.

- On receipt of the report of the rapporteur Member State, the Commission undertook consultations with experts of the Member States as well as with the sole remaining notifier (Hickson & Welch) as provided for in Article 7(3) of Regulation (EEC) No 3600/92.
- (5) The submitted report has been reviewed by the Member States and the Commission within the Standing Committee on Plant Health. This review has been finalised on April 12, 2000 in the format of the Commission review report for tecnazene, in accordance with the provisions of Article 7(6) of Regulation (EC) No 3600/ 92.
- It has appeared from the assessments made that the submitted information is not sufficient to demonstrate that plant protection products containing the active substance concerned satisfy the requirements laid down in Articles 5(1)(a) and (b) and 5(2)(b) of Directive 91/ 414/EEC.
- The sole notifier informed the Commission and the rapporteur Member State that it no longer wished to participate in the programme of work for this active substance. Therefore, further information required to fully comply with the requirements of Directive 91/ 414/EEC will not be submitted.
- (8) Therefore, it is not possible to include this active substance in Annex I to Directive 91/414/EEC.

OJ L 230, 19.8.1991, p. 1.
OJ L 57, 2.3.2000, p. 28.
OJ L 366, 15.12.1992, p. 10.
OJ L 244, 16.9.1999, p. 41.
OJ L 107, 28.4.1994, p. 8.
OJ L 225, 22.9.1995, p. 1.

- (9) A period of grace for disposal, storage, placing on the market and use of existing stocks in accordance with the provisions of Article 4(6) of Directive 91/414/EEC has to be provided.
- (10) This decision does not prejudice any action the Commission may undertake at a later stage for this active substance within the framework of Council Directive 79/117/EEC (1).
- (11) The measures provided for in this Decision are in accordance with the opinion of the Standing Committee on Plant Health,

HAS ADOPTED THIS DECISION:

Article 1

Tecnazene is not included as active substance in Annex I to Directive 91/414/EEC.

Article 2

The Member States shall ensure:

- 1. that authorisations for plant protection products containing tecnazene are withdrawn within a period of six months from the date of adoption of the present Decision;
- 2. that from the date of adoption of the present Decision no authorisations for plant protection products containing tecnazene will be granted or renewed under the derogation provided for in Article 8(2) of Directive 91/414/EEC.

Article 3

Member States shall grant a period of grace for disposal, storage, placing on the market and use of existing stocks in accordance with the provisions of Article 4(6) of Directive 91/414/EEC, which is as short as possible and not longer than 20 months from the date of adoption of the present Decision.

Article 4

This Decision is addressed to the Member States.

Done at Brussels, 20 November 2000.

For the Commission

David BYRNE

Member of the Commission