

COMMISSION REGULATION (EEC) No 837/80

of 2 April 1980

fixing the amount by which the levy on imports of rice from the Arab Republic of Egypt is to be reduced

THE COMMISSION OF THE EUROPEAN COMMUNITIES,

Having regard to the Treaty establishing the European Economic Community,

Having regard to Council Regulation (EEC) No 1418/76 of 21 June 1976 on the common organization of the market in rice ⁽¹⁾, as last amended by Regulation (EEC) No 113/80 ⁽²⁾;

Having regard to Council Regulation (EEC) No 1250/77 of 17 May 1977 on imports of rice from the Arab Republic of Egypt ⁽³⁾, and in particular Article 1 thereof,

Whereas Regulation (EEC) No 1250/77 provides that the levy calculated in accordance with Article 11 of Regulation (EEC) No 1418/76 is to be reduced by an amount to be fixed by the Commission each quarter; whereas this amount must be equal to 25 % of the average of the levies applied during a reference period;

Whereas, under Commission Regulation (EEC) No 2942/73 of 30 October 1973 laying down detailed rules for the application of Regulation (EEC) No 2412/73 ⁽⁴⁾, the reference period is to be the quarter preceding the month in which the amount is fixed;

Whereas Council Regulation (EEC) No 652/79 of 29 March 1979 on the impact of the European monetary system on the common agricultural policy ⁽⁵⁾, as amended by Regulation (EEC) No 1264/79 ⁽⁶⁾, introduced the ECU into the common agricultural policy; whereas, since that time, pursuant to existing provisions, the ECU has been taken into account in the fixing of amounts relating to:

- the application of the common agricultural policy,
- the special trade arrangements for goods resulting from the processing of agricultural products;

Whereas the period of validity of the aforesaid Regulation was limited to 31 March 1980; whereas it has not been possible for a prolongation of those arrangements, proposed by the Commission, to be adopted in time by the Council; whereas, in order to avoid a break in the arrangements resulting, in particular, in alterations in the level of prices and of other amounts in national currency, it appears necessary, in the manifest public interest, as a precautionary measure and pending a final decision on the matter by the Council, to continue the application of the arrangements in their present form;

Whereas the levies to be taken into consideration are therefore those applicable during the months of January, February and March 1980,

HAS ADOPTED THIS REGULATION:

Article 1

The amount referred to in Article 1 of Regulation (EEC) No 1250/77 by which the levy on imports of rice originating in and coming from the Arab Republic of Egypt is to be reduced shall be as shown in the Annex hereto.

Article 2

This Regulation shall enter into force on 1 May 1980.

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

Done at Brussels, 2 April 1980.

For the Commission

Finn GUNDELACH

Vice-President

⁽¹⁾ OJ No L 166, 25. 6. 1976, p. 1.

⁽²⁾ OJ No L 16, 22. 1. 1980, p. 1.

⁽³⁾ OJ No L 146, 14. 6. 1977, p. 9.

⁽⁴⁾ OJ No L 302, 31. 10. 1973, p. 1.

⁽⁵⁾ OJ No L 84, 4. 4. 1979, p. 1.

⁽⁶⁾ OJ No L 161, 29. 6. 1979, p. 1.

