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I

(Acts whose publication is obligatory)

COMMISSION REGULATION (EEC) No 1680/76**of 12 July 1976****fixing the import levies on cereals and on wheat or rye flour groats and meal**

THE COMMISSION OF THE EUROPEAN
COMMUNITIES,

Having regard to the Treaty establishing the European
Economic Community,

Having regard to Council Regulation (EEC) No
2727/75 of 29 October 1975 on the common organiza-
tion of the market in cereals⁽¹⁾, as last amended by
Regulation (EEC) No 1143/76⁽²⁾, and in particular
Article 13(5) thereof,

Whereas the import levies on cereals, wheat and rye
flour, and wheat groats and meal were fixed by Regula-
tion (EEC) No 38/76⁽³⁾ and subsequent amending
Regulations ;

Whereas it follows from applying the provisions
contained in Regulation (EEC) No 38/76, to the offer

prices and today's quotations known to the Commis-
sion that the levies at present in force should be
altered as shown in the Annex to this Regulation,

HAS ADOPTED THIS REGULATION :

Article 1

The import levies to be charged on products listed in
Article 1(a), (b) and (c) of Regulation (EEC) No
2727/75 are hereby fixed as shown in the table
annexed to this Regulation.

Article 2

This Regulation shall enter into force on 13 July
1976.

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

Done at Brussels, 12 July 1976.

For the Commission

P. J. LARDINOIS

Member of the Commission

(1) OJ No L 281, 1. 11. 1975, p. 1.

(2) OJ No L 130, 19. 5. 1976, p. 1.

(3) OJ No L 6, 13. 1. 1976, p. 1.

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to the Commission Regulation of 12 July 1976 fixing the import levies on cereals and on wheat or rye flour groats and meal

(u.a./metric ton)

CCT heading No	Description of goods	Levies
10.01 A	Common wheat and meslin	37.94
10.01 B	Durum wheat	76.12 ⁽¹⁾ ⁽⁵⁾
10.02	Rye	44.10 ⁽⁶⁾
10.03	Barley	25.45
10.04	Oats	16.86
10.05 B	Maize other than hybrid maize for sowing	26.69 ⁽²⁾ ⁽³⁾
10.07 A	Buckwheat	5.49
10.07 B	Millet	33.88 ⁽⁴⁾
10.07 C	Grain sorghum	36.70 ⁽⁴⁾
10.07 D	Canary seed ; other cereals	0 ⁽⁵⁾
11.01 A	Wheat or meslin flour	65.26
11.01 B	Rye flour	73.90
11.02 A I a	Durum wheat groats and meal	128.50
11.02 A I b	Common wheat groats and meal	68.80

⁽¹⁾ Where durum wheat originating in Morocco is transported directly from that country to the Community, the levy is reduced by 0.50 u.a./metric ton.

⁽²⁾ Where maize originated in the ACP or OCT is imported into the French overseas departments, the levy is reduced by 6 u.a./metric tons as provided for in Regulation (EEC) No 706/76.

⁽³⁾ Where maize originating in the ACP or OCT is imported into the Community the levy is reduced by 1.50 u.a./metric ton.

⁽⁴⁾ Where millet and sorghum originating in the ACP or OCT is imported into the Community the levy is reduced by 50 %.

⁽⁵⁾ Where wheat and canary seed produced in Turkey are transported directly from that country to the Community, the levy is reduced by 0.50 u.a./metric ton.

⁽⁶⁾ The import levy charged on rye produced in Turkey and transported directly from that country to the Community is laid down in Council Regulation (EEC) No 2754/75 and Commission Regulation (EEC) No 2622/71.

COMMISSION REGULATION (EEC) No 1681/76

of 12 July 1976

fixing the premiums to be added to the import levies on cereals, flour and malt

THE COMMISSION OF THE EUROPEAN
COMMUNITIES,

Having regard to the Treaty establishing the European
Economic Community,

Having regard to Council Regulation (EEC) No
2727/75 of 29 October 1975 on the common organ-
ization of the market in cereals⁽¹⁾, as last amended by
Regulation (EEC) No 1143/76⁽²⁾, and in particular
Article 15 (6) thereof,

Whereas the premiums to be added to the levies on
cereals and malt were fixed by Regulation (EEC) No
2832/75⁽³⁾ and subsequent amending Regulations ;

Whereas, on the basis of today's cif prices and cif
forward delivery prices, the premiums at present in
force, which are to be added to the levies, should be

altered as shown in the tables annexed to this Regula-
tion,

HAS ADOPTED THIS REGULATION :

Article 1

The scale of the premiums to be added, pursuant to
Article 15 of Regulation (EEC) No 2727/75, to the
import levies fixed in advance in respect of cereals
and malt is hereby fixed as shown in the tables
annexed to this Regulation.

Article 2

This Regulation shall enter into force on 13 July
1976.

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

Done at Brussels, 12 July 1976.

For the Commission

P. J. LARDINOIS

Member of the Commission

(1) OJ No L 281, 1. 11. 1975, p. 1.

(2) OJ No L 130, 19. 5. 1976, p. 1.

(3) OJ No L 283, 1. 11. 1975, p. 4.

ANNEX

to the Commission Regulation of 12 July 1976 fixing the premiums to be added to the import levies on cereals, flour and malt

A. Cereals and flour

(u.a. / metric ton)

CCT heading No	Description of goods	Current 7	1st period 8	2nd period 9	3rd period 10
10.01 A	Common wheat and meslin	0	0	0	0
10.01 B	Durum wheat	0	0	0	0
10.02	Rye	0	0	0	0
10.03	Barley	0	0	0	0
10.04	Oats	0	0	0	0
10.05 B	Maize other than hybrid maize for sowing	0	0	0	2.54
10.07 A	Buckwheat	0	0	0	0
10.07 B	Millet	0	0	0	0
10.07 C	Grain sorghum	0	0	0	0
10.07 D	Other	0	0	0	0
11.01 A	Wheat or meslin flour	0	0	0	0

B. Malt

(u.a. / metric ton)

CCT heading No	Description of goods	Current 7	1st period 8	2nd period 9	3rd period 10	4th period 11
11.07 A I (a)	Unroasted malt, obtained from wheat, in the form of flour	0	0	0	0	0
11.07 A I (b)	Unroasted malt, obtained from wheat, other than in the form of flour	0	0	0	0	0
11.07 A II (a)	Unroasted malt, other than that obtained from wheat, in the form of flour	0	0	0	0	0
11.07 A II (b)	Unroasted malt, other than that obtained from wheat, other than in the form of flour	0	0	0	0	0
11.07 B	Roasted malt	0	0	0	0	0

COMMISSION REGULATION (EEC) No 1682/76

of 12 July 1976

fixing the export refunds on eggs for the period beginning 15 July 1976

THE COMMISSION OF THE EUROPEAN COMMUNITIES,

Having regard to the Treaty establishing the European Economic Community,

Having regard to Council Regulation (EEC) No 2771/75 of 29 October 1975 on the common organization of the market in eggs⁽¹⁾, as amended by Regulation (EEC) No 368/76⁽²⁾, and in particular the first sentence of the fifth subparagraph of Article 9(2) thereof,

Having regard to the opinion of the Monetary Committee,

Whereas Article 9 of Regulation (EEC) No 2771/75 provides that the difference between prices on the world market for the products listed in Article 1(1) of that Regulation and prices for those products in the Community may be covered by an export refund;

Whereas Council Regulation (EEC) No 2774/75 of 29 October 1975⁽³⁾, lays down general rules for granting export refunds and criteria for fixing the amount of such refunds;

Whereas, if the refund system is to operate normally, refunds should be calculated on the following basis:

- in the case of currencies which are maintained in relation to each other, at any given moment, within a band of 2.25 %, at rate of exchange based on their effective parity;

- for other currencies, an exchange rate based on the arithmetic mean of the spot market rates of each of these currencies recorded for a given period, in relation to the Community currencies referred to in the previous subparagraph;

Whereas it follows from applying these rules and criteria to the present situation on the market in eggs that the refund should be fixed at an amount which would permit Community participation in world trade and would also take account of the nature of these exports and their importance at the present time;

Whereas the measures provided for in this Regulation are in accordance with the opinion of the Management Committee for Poultrymeat and Eggs,

HAS ADOPTED THIS REGULATION:

Article 1

The list of products for which the export refund referred to in Article 9 of Regulation (EEC) No 2771/75 is granted, and the amount of that refund, are hereby fixed as shown in the Annex.

Article 2

This Regulation shall enter into force on 15 July 1976.

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

Done at Brussels, 12 July 1976.

For the Commission

P. J. LARDINOIS

Member of the Commission

⁽¹⁾ OJ No L 282, 1. 11. 1975, p. 49.

⁽²⁾ OJ No L 45, 21. 2. 1976, p. 2.

⁽³⁾ OJ No L 282, 1. 11. 1975, p. 68.

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CCT heading No	Description of goods	Refund u.a./100 kg
04.05	Birds' eggs and egg yolks, fresh, dried or otherwise preserved, sweetened or not : A. Eggs in shell, fresh or preserved : I. Poultry eggs : b) Other (than eggs for hatching) B. Eggs, not in shell, egg yolks : I. Suitable for human consumption : a) Eggs, not in shell : 1. Dried 2. Other b) Egg yolks : 1. Liquid 2. Frozen 3. Dried	13·00 40·00 10·00 18·00 20·00 42·00

COMMISSION REGULATION (EEC) No 1683/76

of 12 July 1976

fixing additional amounts for live and slaughtered poultry

THE COMMISSION OF THE EUROPEAN COMMUNITIES,

Having regard to the Treaty establishing the European Economic Community,

Having regard to Council Regulation (EEC) No 2777/75 of 29 October 1975 on the common organization of the market in poultrymeat⁽¹⁾, as amended by Regulation (EEC) No 369/76⁽²⁾, and in particular Article 8 (4) thereof,

Whereas if, for a given product, the free-at-frontier offer price (hereinafter called the 'offer price') falls below the sluice-gate price, the levy applicable to that product must be increased by an additional amount equal to the difference between the sluice-gate price and the offer price determined in accordance with Article 1 of Commission Regulation No 163/67/EEC on fixing the additional amount for imports of poultry-farming products from third countries⁽³⁾, as amended by Regulation (EEC) No 1527/73⁽⁴⁾;

Whereas the offer price must be determined for all imports from all third countries; whereas, however, if exports from one or more third countries are effected at abnormally low prices, lower than prices ruling for other third countries, a second offer price must be determined for exports from these other countries;

Whereas, pursuant to Regulation (EEC) No 565/68⁽⁵⁾, the import levies on slaughtered fowls, ducks and geese originating in and coming from Poland are not increased by an additional amount;

Whereas, pursuant to Regulation (EEC) No 2261/69⁽⁶⁾, the import levies on slaughtered ducks and geese originating in and coming from Romania are not increased by an additional amount;

Whereas, pursuant to Regulation (EEC) No 2474/70⁽⁷⁾, the import levies on slaughtered turkeys originating in and coming from Poland are not increased by an additional amount;

Whereas pursuant to Regulation (EEC) No 2164/72⁽⁸⁾, the import levies on slaughtered fowls and geese originating in and coming from Bulgaria are not increased by an additional amount;

Whereas the regular review of the information serving as a basis for the determination of average offer prices for slaughtered poultry and halves or quarters indicates that additional amounts corresponding to the figures shown in the Annex below should be fixed for the imports specified in that Annex;

Whereas the measures provided for in this Regulation are in accordance with the opinion of the Management Committee for Poultrymeat and Eggs,

HAS ADOPTED THIS REGULATION:

Article 1

The additional amounts provided for in Article 8 of Regulation (EEC) No 2777/75 are hereby fixed as shown in the Annex for the products listed in Article 1 (1) of that Regulation which appear in the Annex.

Article 2

This Regulation shall enter into force on the third 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, 12 July 1976.

For the Commission

P. J. LARDINOIS

Member of the Commission

⁽¹⁾ OJ No L 282, 1. 11. 1975, p. 77.

⁽²⁾ OJ No L 45, 21. 2. 1976, p. 3.

⁽³⁾ OJ No 129, 28. 6. 1967, p. 2577/67.

⁽⁴⁾ OJ No L 154, 9. 6. 1973, p. 1.

⁽⁵⁾ OJ No L 107, 8. 5. 1968, p. 7.

⁽⁶⁾ OJ No L 286, 14. 11. 1969, p. 24.

⁽⁷⁾ OJ No L 265, 8. 12. 1970, p. 13.

⁽⁸⁾ OJ No L 232, 12. 10. 1972, p. 3.

ANNEX

Additional amounts applicable to live and slaughtered poultry and halves or quarters

CCT heading No	Description of goods	Additional amount (u.a./100 kg)	Imports affected
02.02	<p>Dead poultry (that is to say, fowls, ducks, geese, turkeys and guinea fowls) and edible offals thereof (except liver), fresh, chilled or frozen :</p> <p>A. Whole poultry :</p> <p> I. Fowls :</p> <p> a) Plucked and gutted, with heads and feet, known as '83 % chickens'</p> <p> b) Plucked and drawn, without heads and feet but with hearts, livers and gizzards, known as '70 % chickens'</p> <p> c) Plucked and drawn, without heads and feet and without hearts, livers and gizzards, known as '65 % chickens'</p> <p> IV. Turkeys</p> <p>B. Poultry cuts (excluding offals) :</p> <p> II. Unboned (bone in) :</p> <p> a) Halves or quarters :</p> <p> 1. Of fowls</p>	<p>8-00</p> <p>8-00</p> <p>8-00</p> <p>10-00</p> <p>8-00</p>	<p>All imports ⁽¹⁾</p> <p>All imports ⁽¹⁾</p> <p>All imports ⁽¹⁾</p> <p>Origin : United States of America</p> <p>All imports</p>

⁽¹⁾ With the exception of products originating in and coming from Poland and Bulgaria.

COMMISSION REGULATION (EEC) No 1684/76
of 12 July 1976
fixing additional amounts for poultrymeat products

THE COMMISSION OF THE EUROPEAN COMMUNITIES,

Having regard to the Treaty establishing the European Economic Community,

Having regard to Council Regulation (EEC) No 2777/75 of 29 October 1975 on the common organization of the market in poultrymeat⁽¹⁾, as amended by Regulation (EEC) No 369/76⁽²⁾, and in particular Article 8 (4) thereof,

Whereas if, for a given product, the free-at-frontier offer price (hereinafter called the 'offer price') falls below the sluice-gate price, the levy applicable to that product must be increased by an additional amount equal to the difference between the sluice-gate price and the offer price determined in accordance with Article 1 of Commission Regulation No 163/67/EEC of 26 June 1967 on fixing the additional amount for imports of poultry farming products from third countries⁽³⁾, as last amended by Regulation (EEC) No 1527/73⁽⁴⁾;

Whereas the offer price must be determined for all imports from all third countries; whereas, if exports from one or more third countries are effected at abnormally low prices, lower than prices ruling for other third countries, a second offer price must be determined for exports from these other countries;

Whereas the regular review of the information serving as a basis for the determination of average offer prices for poultrymeat products other than slaughtered poultry and halves or quarters indicates that additional amounts corresponding to the figures shown in the Annex below should be fixed for the imports specified in that Annex;

Whereas the measures provided for in this Regulation are in accordance with the opinion of the Management Committee for Poultrymeat and Eggs,

HAS ADOPTED THIS REGULATION:

Article 1

The additional amounts provided for in Article 8 of Regulation (EEC) No 2777/75 are hereby fixed as shown in the Annex for the products listed in Article 1 (1) of that Regulation which appear in the Annex.

Article 2

This Regulation shall enter into force on the third 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, 12 July 1976.

For the Commission

P. J. LARDINOIS

Member of the Commission

⁽¹⁾ OJ No L 282, 1. 11. 1975, p. 77.

⁽²⁾ OJ No L 45, 21. 2. 1976, p. 3.

⁽³⁾ OJ No 129, 28. 6. 1967, p. 2577/67.

⁽⁴⁾ OJ No L 154, 9. 6. 1973, p. 1.

ANNEX

Additional amounts applicable to poultrymeat products with the exception of live and slaughtered poultry and halves or quarters

CCT heading No	Description of goods	Additional amount (u.a./100 kg)	Imports affected
02.02	<p>Dead poultry (that is to say, fowls, ducks, geese, turkeys and guinea fowls) and edible offals thereof (except liver), fresh, chilled or frozen :</p> <p>B. Poultry cuts (excluding offals) :</p> <p>I. Boned or boneless</p> <p>II. Unboned (bone-in) :</p> <p>c) Backs, necks, backs with necks attached, rumps and wing tips</p> <p>d) Breasts and cuts of breasts :</p> <p>2. Of turkeys</p> <p>e) Legs and cuts of legs :</p> <p>2. Of turkeys :</p> <p>aa) Drumsticks and cuts of drumsticks</p> <p>bb) Other</p>	<p>30.00</p> <p>10.00</p> <p>10.00</p> <p>30.00</p> <p>45.00</p>	<p>Origin : United States of America</p> <p>Origin : Sweden</p> <p>Origin : United States of America</p> <p>All imports</p> <p>Origin : United States of America</p>

COMMISSION REGULATION (EEC) No 1685/76**of 12 July 1976****altering the basic amount of the import levy on syrups and certain other sugar products**

THE COMMISSION OF THE EUROPEAN COMMUNITIES,

Having regard to the Treaty establishing the European Economic Community,

Having regard to Council Regulation (EEC) No 3330/74 of 19 December 1974 on the common organization of the market in sugar⁽¹⁾, as last amended by Regulation (EEC) No 1487/76⁽²⁾, and in particular Article 15 (7) thereof,

Whereas the basic amount of the import levy on syrups and certain other sugar products was fixed by Regulation (EEC) No 1568/76⁽³⁾, as last amended by Regulation (EEC) No 1665/76⁽⁴⁾;

Whereas it follows from applying the rules and other provisions contained in Regulation (EEC) No 1568/76

to the information at present available to the Commission that the basic amount of the levy at present in force should be altered as shown in this Regulation,

HAS ADOPTED THIS REGULATION:

Article 1

The basic amount of the import levy on the products listed in Article 1 (1) d) of Regulation (EEC) No 3330/74 is hereby fixed, per 100 kilogrammes of product, at 0.0831 unit of account per percentage point of sucrose content.

Article 2

This Regulation shall enter into force on 13 July 1976.

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

Done at Brussels, 12 July 1976.

For the Commission

P. J. LARDINOIS

Member of the Commission

(1) OJ No L 359, 31. 12. 1974, p. 1.

(2) OJ No L 167, 26. 6. 1976, p. 9.

(3) OJ No L 172, 1. 7. 1976, p. 40.

(4) OJ No L 185, 9. 7. 1976, p. 24.

COMMISSION REGULATION (EEC) No 1686/76
of 12 July 1976
fixing the import levies on white sugar and raw sugar

THE COMMISSION OF THE EUROPEAN COMMUNITIES,

Having regard to the Treaty establishing the European Economic Community,

Having regard to Council Regulation (EEC) No 3330/74 of 19 December 1974 on the common organization of the market in sugar⁽¹⁾, as last amended by Regulation (EEC) No 1487/76⁽²⁾, and in particular Article 15 (7) thereof,

Whereas the import levies on white sugar and raw sugar were fixed by Regulation (EEC) No 1564/76⁽³⁾, as last amended by Regulation (EEC) No 1666/76⁽⁴⁾;

Whereas it follows from applying the rules and other provisions contained in Regulation (EEC) No 1564/76 to the information at present available to the Commis-

sion that the levies at present in force should be altered as shown in the Annex to this Regulation,

HAS ADOPTED THIS REGULATION:

Article 1

The levies referred to in Article 15 (1) of Regulation (EEC) No 3330/74 are, in respect of white sugar and standard quality raw sugar, hereby fixed as shown in the Annex to this Regulation.

Article 2

This Regulation shall enter into force on 13 July 1976.

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

Done at Brussels, 12 July 1976.

For the Commission

P. J. LARDINOIS

Member of the Commission

- (1) OJ No L 359, 31. 12. 1974, p. 1.
 (2) OJ No L 167, 26. 6. 1976, p. 9.
 (3) OJ No L 172, 1. 7. 1976, p. 31.
 (4) OJ No L 185, 9. 7. 1976, p. 25.

ANNEX

to the Commission Regulation of 12 July 1976 fixing the import levies on white sugar and raw sugar

CCT heading No	Description of goods	Levy <i>(u.a./100 kg)</i>
17.01	Beet sugar and cane sugar, solid : A. White sugar B. Raw sugar	8.31 6.13 ⁽¹⁾

⁽¹⁾ Applicable to raw sugar with a yield of 92 % ; if the yield is other than 92 %, the levy applicable is calculated in accordance with the provisions of Article 2 of Regulation (EEC) No 837/68.

II

(Acts whose publication is not obligatory)

COUNCIL

COUNCIL DIRECTIVE

of 29 June 1976

amending Directive 73/239/EEC on the co-ordination of laws, regulations and administrative provisions relating to the taking up and pursuit of the business of direct insurance other than life assurance

(76/580/EEC)

THE COUNCIL OF THE EUROPEAN COMMUNITIES,

Having regard to the Treaty establishing the European Economic Community, and in particular Article 57 (2) thereof,

Having regard to the proposal from the Commission,

Having regard to the opinion of the European Parliament ⁽¹⁾,

Having regard to the opinion of the Economic and Social Committee ⁽²⁾,

Whereas Council Directive 73/239/EEC of 24 July 1973 on the co-ordination of laws, regulations and administrative provisions relating to the taking up and pursuit of the business of direct insurance other than life assurance ⁽³⁾, to facilitate the taking up and pursuit of the said business, has eliminated certain divergencies between national legislations; whereas it has ensured adequate protection for insured and third parties in all the Member States and, at the same time, co-ordinated in particular the provisions relating to the financial guarantees required of insurance undertakings;

Whereas, pursuant to that Directive, the minimum guarantee fund which each Member State requires of

all insurance undertakings with head offices in its territory may not be less than certain amounts which are expressed in units of account in the Directive;

Whereas the unit of account is also referred to in order to determine the amount of the contribution revenue of certain mutual associations below which the Directive does not apply;

Whereas, for the purposes of the said Directive 'unit of account' means that unit which is defined in Article 4 of the Protocol on the Statute of the European Investment Bank; whereas on the basis of this definition the conversion of the amounts mentioned in the Directive into national currencies would lead to distortions of competition between undertakings whose head offices are situated in the various Member States;

Whereas by Decision 75/250/EEC ⁽⁴⁾ the Council defined on 21 April 1975 a European unit of account representing the average of any changes in the value of the currencies of the Member States; whereas the conversion rate for each currency against this unit of account is fixed automatically by reference to daily quotations on the exchange markets; whereas the use of this European unit of account places insurance undertakings on the same competitive footing;

⁽¹⁾ OJ No C 28, 9. 2. 1976, p. 16.

⁽²⁾ OJ No C 35, 16. 2. 1976, p. 17.

⁽³⁾ OJ No L 228, 16. 8. 1973, p. 3.

⁽⁴⁾ OJ No L 104, 24. 4. 1975, p. 35.

Whereas Article 4 of the aforesaid Protocol is undergoing revision ; whereas, pursuant to the Decision of 18 March 1975 of the Board of Governors of the EIB, the Bank uses the European unit of account defined by Council Decision 75/250/EEC ;

Whereas more recently, on 18 December 1975, the Commission, by Decision No 3289/75/ECSC⁽¹⁾, adopted, with the unanimous assent of the Council, this European unit of account in applying the Treaty establishing the European Coal and Steel Community ;

Whereas the value of the European unit of account in each of the Member States' currencies is fixed daily and whereas a reference day must also be fixed for its use when applying this Directive ;

Whereas, however, in certain Member States the introduction of the European unit of account would lead to a reduction in terms of national currency of the amounts expressed in units of account in the Directive ; whereas such a reduction would lead to a corresponding reduction in the protection now given to insured parties by the minimum guarantee fund ; whereas the said amounts should be reviewed every two years ; whereas as a result of this review, the amounts in question are likely to be amended ; whereas in certain Member States the reduction in the amounts expressed in national currency could, under these conditions, be swiftly followed by a further adjustment in those States ; whereas the implementation of these successive measures would raise difficulties for undertakings and supervisory authorities ; whereas, therefore, these amounts should be kept at the level which they would have reached on the basis of the conversion rate applicable before the introduction of the European unit of account, if this level is higher than that of the European unit of account, until the amounts fixed in Directive 73/239/EEC are reviewed ;

Whereas changes in the economic and monetary situation of the Community justify the examination at regular intervals of the latter amounts,

HAS ADOPTED THIS DIRECTIVE :

Article 1

1. The following shall be substituted for the text of Article 5 (a) of Directive 73/239/EEC :

'(a) Unit of account means the European unit of account (EUA) as defined by Commission Decision 3289/75/ECSC⁽¹⁾. Wherever this Directive refers to the unit of account, the conversion value in national currency to be adopted shall, as from 31 December of each year, be that of the last day of the preceding month of October for which EUA conversion values are available in all the Community currencies ;'

2. The following note is added as a footnote to the page where Article 5 of Directive 73/239/EEC appears :

'(1) OJ No L 327, 19. 12. 1975, p. 4.'

Article 2

As an transitional measure and until the amounts expressed in units of account in Directive 73/239/EEC have been amended for the first time, the amounts expressed in national currency for conversion of the unit of account, as defined in Article 5 (a), shall not be less than those derived according to the rate of conversion applicable to the unit of account before the adoption of this Directive.

Article 3

Every two years, the Council, acting on a proposal from the Commission, shall review and if necessary amend the amounts expressed in Directive 73/239/EEC in units of account, taking into account changes in the economic and monetary situation of the Community.

Article 4

The national provisions amended in accordance with this Directive shall be applicable as from 31 December 1976.

Article 5

This Directive is addressed to the Member States.

Done at Luxembourg, 29 June 1976.

For the Council

The President

G. THORN

⁽¹⁾ OJ No L 327, 19. 12. 1975, p. 4.

COUNCIL DECISION

of 29 June 1976

on the continuation of the surveys to be carried out by the Member States on bovine livestock

(76/581/EEC)

THE COUNCIL OF THE EUROPEAN COMMUNITIES,

Having regard to the Treaty establishing the European Economic Community, and in particular Article 43 thereof,

Having regard to Council Regulation (EEC) No 805/68 of 27 June 1968 on the common organization of the market in beef and veal⁽¹⁾, as last amended by Regulation (EEC) No 568/76⁽²⁾, and in particular Article 2 thereof,

Having regard to Council Directive 73/132/EEC of 15 May 1973 on the statistical surveys to be carried out by Member States on bovine livestock, on forecasts on the availability of bovine animals for slaughter and on statistics on slaughtered bovine animals⁽³⁾, and in particular Article 11 thereof,

Having regard to the proposal from the Commission,

Having regard to the opinion of the European Parliament⁽⁴⁾,

Whereas in order to carry out the task assigned to it by the Treaty and by Regulation (EEC) No 805/68, the Commission requires, after the survey of December 1975, precise information in December of each year on trends in bovine livestock ;

Whereas the financial contribution of the Community towards the expenditure incurred by the Member

States in carrying out the survey under this Decision for 1976, should be specified,

HAS ADOPTED THIS DECISION :

Article 1

Member States shall carry out a statistical survey of total cattle numbers each year in accordance with Article 1 of Directive 73/132/EEC.

Article 2

The expenditure necessary to carry out the survey under this Decision for 1976, shall be met by way of a lump sum to be fixed in the budget of the European Communities.

Article 3

This Decision is addressed to the Member States.

Done at Luxembourg, 29 June 1976.

For the Council

The President

G. THORN

(1) OJ No L 148, 28. 6. 1968, p. 24.

(2) OJ No L 67, 15. 3. 1976, p. 28.

(3) OJ No L 153, 9. 6. 1973, p. 25.

(4) OJ No C 159, 12. 7. 1976, p. 40.