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COMMISSION

COMMISSION DECISION

of 24 August 1977

authorizing the Federal Republic of Germany to store outside its territory beef held by its intervention agency

(Only the German text is authentic)

(77/570/EEC)

THE COMMISSION OF THE EUROPEAN COMMUNITIES,

Having regard to the Treaty establishing the European Economic Community,

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 425/77 (2),

Having regard to Council Regulation (EEC) No 1055/77 of 17 May 1977 on the storage and movement of products bought in by an intervention agency (3), and in particular Articles 4 and 6 thereof,

Whereas Article 1 (1) of Regulation (EEC) No 1055/77 provides that products bought in pursuant to Community provisions may be stored by intervention agencies outside the territory of the Member State within whose jurisdiction they fall only if such agencies have obtained prior authorization; whereas the Federal Republic of Germany has made an application to store in Austria and Switzerland during August and September 1977 7 500 tonnes of unboned beef held by its intervention agency; whereas storage of these products within the Community is difficult, due in particular to the current stock position in the Member States near to the place where the products are taken over; whereas, moreover, storage facilities are available at lower cost in Switzerland; whereas this application should therefore be approved;

Whereas, as regards consignments transported between 1 August 1977 and the date of this Decision, it has been impossible for administrative reasons to give prior authorization; whereas the first Decision must be so drawn as to ensure that the change-over to the system provided for in Regulation (EEC) No 1055/77 takes place without interruption to the normal flow of the operations in question;

Whereas the measures provided for in this Decision are in accordance with the opinion of the Management Committee for Beef and Veal,

HAS ADOPTED THIS DECISION:

Article 1

The Federal Republic of Germany is hereby authorized to place in storage, between 1 August and 30 September 1977:

— 4 500 tonnes of unboned frozen beef in Switzerland,

— 3 000 tonnes of unboned frozen beef in Austria.

Article 2

This Decision is addressed to the Federal Republic of Germany.

Done at Brussels, 24 August 1977.

For the Commission

Finn GUNDELACH

Vice-President

(1) OJ No L 148, 28. 6. 1968, p. 24.
(2) OJ No L 61, 5. 3. 1977, p. 1.
(3) OJ No L 128, 24. 5. 1977, p. 1.