COMMISSION DECISION

of 28 April 1989

on the quantities of sheepmeat and goatmeat that may be imported in 1989 into certain sensitive marketing zones from certain non-member countries

(89/310/EEC)

THE COMMISSION OF THE EUROPEAN COMMUNITIES,

Having regard to the Treaty establishing the European Economic Community,

Having regard to Council Regulation (EEC) No 1837/80 of 27 June 1980 on the common organization of the market in sheepmeat and goatmeat [1], as last amended by Regulation (EEC) No 1115/88 [2],

Having regard to Council Regulation (EEC) No 2641/80 of 14 October 1980 derogating from certain import rules laid down in Regulation (EEC) No 1837/80 on the common organization of the market in sheepmeat and goatmeat [3], and in particular Article 1 (2) thereof,

Whereas certain non-member countries which have concluded voluntary restraint agreements with the European Economic Community have undertaken to limit their exports of sheepmeat and goatmeat to sensitive marketing zones to the traditional quantities or the quantities towards which the traditional trade flows have tended; whereas, under the provisions of the third indent of Article 1 (1) of Regulation (EEC) No 2641/80, the issuing of import licences for the products in question is suspended when agreed import quantities into these zones are exceeded; whereas the quantities that may be imported into these zones for 1989 should therefore be specified and importers should be informed of the time from which licences will no longer be granted;

Whereas quantities have already been agreed, by exchange of letter, with Austria [4], Iceland [4], Czechoslovakia [4], Yugoslavia [4], Romania [5] and the German Democratic Republic [6];

Whereas for Bulgaria, Hungary and Poland the quantities must be fixed each year in the framework of consultation;

Whereas the Australian authorities have undertaken to limit exports to the French and Irish markets to the traditional quantities; whereas, given the present situation and in order not to interrupt import flows, a quantity should be fixed unilaterally for Ireland on the basis of these traditional quantities;

Whereas discussions are taking place with Argentina, New Zealand and Uruguay regarding arrangements for the French and Irish markets; whereas, however, quantities have not yet been agreed; whereas in view of the present situation and in order not to interrupt trade flows, provisional quantities should be fixed autonomously;

Whereas the quantities fixed are provisional and should apply without prejudice to the outcome of negotiations on the temporary adaptation of the voluntary restraint agreements;

Whereas the Management Committee for Sheep and Goats has not delivered an opinion within the time limit set by its chairman,

HAS ADOPTED THIS DECISION:

Article 1

The competent authorities of France shall issue, up to the quantities listed in the Annexe hereto, import licences for 1989 for sheepmeat and goatmeat falling within CN codes 0104 10 90, 0104 20 90 and 0204, imported from the non-member countries listed in the Annex into France.

Article 2

Ireland shall not issue any import licences for the products referred to in Article 1.

Article 3

The licences referred to in this Decision shall be issued only in France and Ireland, respectively.

Article 4

This Decision is addressed to the Member States.

Done at Brussels, 28 April 1989.

For the Commission

Ray MAC SHARRY

Member of the Commission

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[1] OJ No L 183, 16. 7. 1980, p. 1.
[2] OJ No L 110, 29. 4. 1988, p. 36.
[3] OJ No L 275, 18. 10. 1980, p. 2.
[4] OJ No L 154, 9. 6. 1984, p. 36.
[5] OJ No L 96, 3. 4. 1985, p. 30.
[6] OJ No L 309, 31. 10. 1987, p. 107.

ANNEX

Quantities referred to in Article I

(tonnes)

	Carcase weight equivalent
Argentina (1)	1 210
Australia	806
Austria	0
Bulgaria	360
Hungary	975
Iceland	0
New Zealand (1)	5 637
Poland	1 150
Romania	114
Czechoslovakia	0
Uruguay (1)	0
Yugoslavia	50
German Democratic Republic	0

(1) Quantity fixed autonomously.