COMMISSION DECISION

of 23 January 1996

on applications for import licences for Basmati rice submitted during the first five working days of the month of January 1996 under the arrangements provided for in Council Regulation (EEC) No 3877/86

(96/135/EC)

THE COMMISSION OF THE EUROPEAN COMMUNITIES,

Having regard to the Treaty establishing the European Community,

Having regard to Council Regulation (EEC) No 3877/86 of 16 December 1986 on imports of rice of the long-grain aromatic Basmati variety [1], as amended by Regulation (EEC) No 3130/91 [2],

Having regard to Commission Regulation (EEC) No 81/92 of 15 January 1992 laying down detailed rules for the application of Council Regulation (EEC) No 3877/86 on imports of rice of the long-grain aromatic Basmati variety [3], as amended by Regulation (EC) No 2123/95 [4], and in particular Article 5 (1) thereof,

Whereas pursuant to Article 5 (1) of Regulation (EEC) No 81/92 the Commission must, not later than the 13th day after the expiry of the time limit for submitting applications for licences, notify the Member States:

— that licences may be issued in respect of all the quantities applied for, or

— that a standard percentage reduction should be applied to those quantities, or

— that the conditions for applying the reduced levy have not been met;

Whereas, in the light of the quantities for which applications have been submitted, the quantities available and the Basmati rice price during the first five working days of the month of January 1996, licences may be issued in respect of all quantities applied for,

HAS ADOPTED THIS DECISION:

Article 1

Import licences for Basmati rice falling within CN code 1006 shall be granted for the full quantities in cases where the applications for import licences were submitted, under the arrangements provided for in Regulation (EEC) No 3877/86, during the first five working days of the month of January 1996 and were the subject of the communication to the Commission provided for in Article 7 of Regulation (EEC) No 81/92.

Article 2

This Decision is addressed to the Member States.

Done at Brussels, 23 January 1996.

For the Commission

Franz FISCHLER

Member of the Commission

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[1] OJ No L 361, 20. 12. 1986, p. 1.
[2] OJ No L 297, 29. 10. 1991, p. 1.
[3] OJ No L 10, 16. 1. 1992, p. 9.
[4] OJ No L 212, 7. 9. 1995, p. 8.