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COMMISSION

COMMISSION DECISION

of 31 January 1997

on applications for import licences for rice and broken rice submitted in the first five working days of January 1997 pursuant to the arrangements provided for in Council Regulation (EC) No 1522/96

(97/133/EC)

THE COMMISSION OF THE EUROPEAN COMMUNITIES,

Having regard to the Treaty establishing the European Community,

Having regard to Council Regulation (EC) No 1522/96 of 24 July 1996 opening and providing for the administration of certain tariff quotas for imports of rice and broken rice [1], as amended by Regulation (EC) No 112/97 [2], and in particular Article 5 (2) thereof,

Whereas, pursuant to Article 5 (2) of Regulation (EC) No 1522/96, the Commission must decide within 10 days of the closing date for the submission of licence applications the extent to which applications can be granted and must fix the available quantities for the following tranche; whereas the Commission must notify the Member States of its decision as soon as possible;

Whereas, in the light of the quantities for which applications are submitted during the first five working days of January 1997 and the quantities available, licences may be issued for all the quantities applied for,

HAS ADOPTED THIS DECISION:

Article 1

1. Reduction coefficients to be applied to quantities covered by applications for import licences submitted for rice and broken rice pursuant to the arrangements provided for in Regulation (EC) No 1522/96 in the first five working days of January 1997 and which have been notified to the Commission, shall be as laid down in the Annex hereto.

2. The quantities available under the tranche for April 1997 shall be as laid down in the Annex hereto.

Article 2

This Decision is addressed to the Member States.

Done at Brussels, 31 January 1997.

For the Commission

Franz FISCHLER

Member of the Commission

[1] OJ No L 190, 31. 7. 1996, p. 1.
[2] OJ No L 20, 23. 1. 1997, p. 23.

ANNEX

Article 5 (2) of Regulation (EC) No 1522/96

Reduction coefficient to be applied to the quantities applied for and the quantities available under the following tranche:

(a) Quota referred to in Article 2 (1) (a), wholly-milled and semi-milled rice falling within CN code 1006 30

Origin	Percentage reduction	Quantity available under the tranche for April 1997 (tonnes)
USA	0	29 041
Thailand	0	11 820,15
Australia	0	1 019
Other countries	0	1 805

(b) Quota referred to in Article 1 (2) (b), husked rice falling within CN code 1006 20

Origin	Percentage reduction	Quantity available under the tranche for April 1997 (tonnes)
Australia	0	7 822
USA	0	5 732
Thailand	0	1 812
Other countries	0	117

(c) Quota referred to in Article 1 (2) (c), broken rice falling within CN code 1006 40 00

Origin	Percentage reduction	Quantity available under the tranche for April 1997 (tonnes)
Thailand	0	24 247,74
Australia	0	7 722
Guyana	0	6 377
USA	0	5 460
Other countries	0	7 238