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REGULATION (EEC) No 1072/68 OF THE COMMISSION

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determining the bases for calculating the levy on certain kinds of frozen beef and veal

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[1] of 27 June 1968 on the common organisation of the market in beef and veal, and in particular Articles 13 (5) and 25 thereof;

Whereas the coefficient referred to in Article 13 (2) (a) of Regulation (EEC) No 805/68 must express the ratio existing in the Community between the price of fresh meat of a quality competitive with the frozen meat in question, presented in the same form, and the average price of adult bovine animals;

Whereas, in accordance with Article 2 (2) of Council Regulation (EEC) No 990/68[2] of 15 July 1968 on general rules for fixing the levy on certain kinds of frozen beef and veal, the price of fresh meat of a quality competitive with frozen meat must be determined on the basis of the price resulting from averaging the prices of representative qualities, converted into prices for carcases or half carcases,

(a) of adult bovine animals for processing in the Community, and

(b) of adult bovine animals for direct consumption in the Community,

such average being weighted by means of fixed coefficients which take account of the quantitative ratio existing on importation for frozen meats for the same uses as those indicated in (a) or (b);

Whereas, in accordance with Article 2 (3) of Regulation (EEC) No 990/68, the average of the prices for adult bovine animals mentioned in paragraph 2 of that Article must be determined on the basis of prices recorded on the representative market or markets of each Member State for the qualities in question, account being taken of the relative magnitude of the bovine stock of each Member State over a period which is sufficiently representative of the Community market situation;

Whereas that average may be based on the average prices recorded on the representative market or markets of each Member State, weighted by coefficients expressing the relative magnitude of the bovine stock of each Member State; whereas the price recorded on the representative market or markets of each Member State may be based on the weighted average of the prices obtaining during a period which is sufficiently representative of the Community market situation; whereas such weighting should take the form of coefficients expressing the proportions of each quality in the quantities coming on the market;

Whereas the above-mentioned representative market or markets are those set out in Annex II to Commission Regulation (EEC) No 1027/68[3] of 22 July 1968 on the determination of the prices of calves and adult bovine animals recorded on representative Community markets; whereas the coefficients expressing the relative magnitude of the bovine stock of each Member State are those set out in Annex I to that Regulation; whereas it is appropriate to regard the period of twelve months corresponding to the year 1967 as a period which is sufficiently representative of the Community market situation;

Whereas the conversion coefficient for prices of adult bovine animals for processing may be put at 2·1; whereas that for prices of adult bovine animals for direct consumption may be put at 1·9;

Whereas in the light of experience in 1967 the quantitative ratio existing on importation between products for processing and products for direct consumption may be put at 3·1;

[1] OJ No L 148, 28.6.1968, p. 24.
[2] OJ No L 169, 18.7.1968, p. 12.
[3] OJ No L 174, 23.7.1968, p. 14.

Whereas the average price of adult bovine animals referred to in Article 13 (2) (a) of Regulation (EEC) No 805/68 must be the price fixed in accordance with Article 10 (4) of that Regulation for the above-mentioned period; whereas that price is DM 251·68; whereas the coefficient mentioned in Article 13 (2) (a) of Regulation (EEC) No 805/68 is therefore 1·53;

Whereas, in accordance with Article 4 of Regulation (EEC) No 990/68, the most favourable purchasing opportunities among those which are most representative, as regards quality and quantity, of the trend of the world market, as mentioned in Article 13 (2) (b) of Regulation (EEC) No 805/68, should be determined in the first place with reference to free-at-Community-frontier offers or where such offers are not sufficiently representative of the market situation, to world market offers delivered free-at-Community-frontier, for each of the products listed in section (c) of the Annex to Regulation (EEC) No 805/68;

Whereas where it appears, from information available to the Commission, that particular offers do not correspond to real purchasing opportunities, are not representative of real price trends, do not relate to representative quantities or relate to qualities differing appreciably from those of the majority of the products entering world trade, such offers must be set aside;

Whereas, where world market offers are to be converted into free-at-Community-frontier offers, the normal transport and insurance costs involved of which the Commission has knowledge should be taken into account;

Whereas the fixed amount mentioned in Article 13 (2) (b) of Regulation (EEC) No 805/68 must represent the specific costs incurred in the importation of frozen meat; whereas such costs are, in particular those arising from transport to and from the cold storage depot and from weight loss;

Whereas, to avoid too frequent alteration of the levy, provision should be made for a certain margin within which variations of the world market price do not require the levy to be altered;

Whereas the fixed coefficient for each of the products in question in Article 13 (3) of Regulation (EEC) No 805/68 may be determined on the basis of the value ratio between the product listed in section (c) of the Annex to that Regulation under sub-heading No 02.01 A II (a) 2 (aa) and each of the other products in the same section; whereas, however, with regard to boned cuts, a distinction should be made, in view of the substantial price differences, between on the one hand boned carcases, half carcases and forequarters, cut in each case into a maximum of five pieces and presented in a single block, and on the other hand other boned cuts;

Whereas provision should be made for fixing the levy at regular intervals; whereas in the case of substantial price variations, however, it must be possible to make consequential alterations to the levy in force;

Whereas the measures provided for in this Regulation are in accordance with the Opinion of the Management Committee for Beef and Veal;

HAS ADOPTED THIS REGULATION:

Article 1

The coefficient mentioned in Article 13 (2) (a) of Regulation (EEC) No 805/68 shall be 1·53.

Article 2

When fixing the world market price for frozen meat mentioned in Article 13 (2) (b) of Regulation (EEC) No 805/68 the following shall not be taken into account:

(a) offer prices which do not correspond to real purchasing opportunities;

(b) offer prices which the Commission believes, in view of general price movements or information available to it, not to be representative of real price trends in the country of origin;

(c) offer prices for a small, unrepresentative quantity;

(d) offer prices for qualities which differ appreciably from those of the majority of the products entering world trade.

Article 3

World market offers shall be converted into free-at-Community-frontier offers by taking into account the normal transport and insurance costs involved of which the Commission has knowledge.

Article 4

The fixed amount mentioned in Article 13 (2) (b) of Regulation (EEC) No 805/68 shall be 3 units of account per 100 kilogrammes.

Article 5

So long as the world market price for frozen meat differs by less than one unit of account per 100 kilogrammes from the world market price previously used for the calculation of the levy, the latter price shall continue to apply.

Article 6

1. The fixed coefficient for each of the products in question in Article 13 (3) of Regulation (EEC) No 805/68 shall be as shown in the Annex.

2. For the purposes of this Regulation 'forequarters' means the front part of a half carcase, comprising all the bones and the scrag, neck and shoulder, with a minimum of four ribs and a maximum of ten whole or cut ribs.

3. For the purposes of this Regulation 'hindquarters' means the rear part of a half carcase, comprising all the bones and the thigh and sirloin, with a minimum of three whole or cut ribs, with or without the shin and with or without the thin flank; the expression is to be extended to cover the front part of a half carcase, comprising all the bones and including the scrag, neck and shoulder, but with more than ten ribs.

Article 7

1. Subject to the provisions of Article 13 (4) of Regulation (EEC) No 805/68, the levy provided for in paragraph 1 of that Article shall be fixed before the twenty-fifth of each month and apply from the first Monday of the following month.

The levy applicable from 29 July 1968 shall be fixed not later than 26 July 1968 and shall remain valid until 1 September 1968.

2. However, the levy shall be altered in the intervening period if substantial variations are recorded in the world market price previously used for the calculation of the levy.

Article 8

Member States shall communicate to the Commission by telex, on the fifth and twentieth of each month, details of prices made known to them during the fortnight preceding the day of communication, specifying the origin, quantity, quality and cut of the products listed in section (c) of the Annex to Regulation (EEC) No 805/68.

Member States shall communicate in the intervening period all information enabling the Commission to apply Article 13 (4) of Regulation (EEC) No 805/68.

Article 9

This Regulation shall enter into force on 29 July 1968.

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

Done at Brussels, 25 July 1968.

For the Commission
The President
Jean REY

ANNEX

CCT heading No	Description of goods	Coefficients
02.01 A II (a) 2	Meat of domestic bovine animals, frozen:	
	(bb) Forequarters	1·00
	(cc) Hindquarters	1·25
	(dd) Other:	
	11. Unboned (bone-in)	1·50
	12. Boned or boneless	
	(aaa) Carcases, half carcases or forequarters cut in each case into a maximum of five pieces and presented in a single block	1·25
	(bbb) Other	1·79