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REGULATION (EEC) No 206/70 OF THE COMMISSION

of 4 February 1970

amending Regulations (EEC) Nos 1025/68 and 1072/68 in respect of the definition of beef and veal carcases

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, as last amended by Regulation (EEC) No 2463/69,[2] and in particular Articles 12 (5) and 13 (5) thereof;

Whereas Article 1a (a) of Commission Regulation (EEC) No 1025/68[3] of 22 July 1968 fixing the coefficients for calculating the levy on beef and veal other than frozen, as last amended by Regulation (EEC) No 1972/69,[4] excluded certain offals from the definition of the carcase of a domestic bovine animal other than frozen;

Whereas some carcases are presented with the offal attached; whereas under present rules such a cut cannot be accepted as a carcase;

Whereas, from an economic point of view, such a cut ought to be accepted as a carcase; whereas the above-mentioned definition should therefore be altered;

Whereas Article 13 (2) of Regulation (EEC) No 805/68 describes the method of calculating the levy applicable to frozen meat presented in the form of carcases, half-carcases and compensated quarters; whereas the lack of a definition for a frozen carcase of a domestic bovine animal could cause difficulty over tariffs; whereas to remedy that situation Commission Regulation (EEC) No 1072/68[5] of 25 July 1968 determining the bases for calculating the levy on certain kinds of frozen beef and veal, as last amended by Regulation (EEC) No 1972/69, should be amplified;

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 following shall be substituted for Article 1a (a) of Regulation (EEC) No 1025/68:

'(a) "carcase of a domestic bovine animal" means the entire body of the slaughtered animal after bleeding, gutting and skinning, with or without the head, with or without the feet and with or without the other offal attached.

When the carcase is presented without the head, the latter must be separated at the atloido-occipital joint. When presented without the feet, these must be cut off at the carpometacarpal or tarsometatarsal joints.'

Article 2

The following Article 6b shall be added to Regulation (EEC) No 1072/68:

'*Article 6b*

For the purpose of applying the levy provided for in Article 13 of Regulation (EEC) No 805/68, "carcase of a domestic bovine animal" means the entire body of the slaughtered animal after bleeding, gutting and skinning, with or without the head, with or without the feet and with or without the other offal attached.

When the carcase is presented without the head,

[1] OJ No L 148, 28.6.1968, p. 24.
[2] OJ No L 312, 12.12.1969, p. 3.
[3] OJ No L 174, 23.7.1968, p. 9.
[4] OJ No L 251, 1.10.1969, p. 6.
[5] OJ No L 180, 26.7.1968, p. 21.

the latter must be separated at the atloido-occipital joint. When presented without the feet, these must be cut off at the carpometacarpal or tarsometatarsal joints.'

Article 3

This Regulation shall enter into force on 16 February 1970.

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

Done at Brussels, 4 February 1970.

For the Commission

The President

Jean REY