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REGULATION (EEC) No 2369/72 OF THE COMMISSION

of 10 November 1972

amending Regulation (EEC) Nos 1282/72 and 1717/72 on the sale of butter at a reduced price to the armies of the Member States and to certain institutions and organisations

THE COMMISSION OF THE EUROPEAN COMMUNITIES,

Having regard to the Treaty establishing the European Economic Community;

Having regard to Council Regulation (EEC) No 804/68[1] of 27 June 1968 on the common organisation of the market in milk and milk products, as last amended by Regulation (EEC) No 1411/71,[2] and in particular Article 6 (7) thereof;

Having regard to Council Regulation (EEC) No 985/68[3] of 15 July 1968 laying down general rules for intervention on the market in butter and cream, as last amended by Regulation (EEC) No 1075/71,[4] and in particular Article 7a thereof;

Whereas Commission Regulation (EEC) No 1282/72[5] of 21 June 1972 on the sale of butter at a reduced price to the army and similar forces and Commission Regulation (EEC) No 1717/72[6] of 8 August 1972 on the sale of butter at a reduced price to non-profit-making institutions and organisations provide that Member States shall take all measures necessary to ensure that these sales are in addition to normal consumption; whereas the provisions of the different Regulations on the sale of butter at a reduced price should be harmonised as far as possible to make them easier to implement and, to the extent compatible with the proper functioning of such sales, to simplify the administrative provisions required for the application of these Regulations in the Member States; whereas the present requirement should not be retained in the two Regulations in question;

Whereas, also in the interests of consistency, the period of validity of the certificate required for the delivery of butter and for determining the maximum quantities of butter to be allocated, which was fixed in days by Article 4 of Regulation (EEC) No 1717/72, should be expressed in months;

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

HAS ADOPTED THIS REGULATION:

Article 1

The words 'that sales under Article 1 are in addition to normal consumption and' shall be deleted from Article 4 (1) of Regulation (EEC) No 1282/72 and Article 2 of Regulation (EEC) No 1717/72.

Article 2

'Three months' shall be substituted for 'ninety days' in Article 4 (3) and (4) of Regulation (EEC) No 1717/72.

Article 3

This Regulation shall enter into force on the third day following its publication in the *Official Journal of the European Communities.*

[1] OJ No L 148, 28.6.1968, p. 13.
[2] OJ No L 148, 3.7.1971, p. 4.
[3] OJ No L 169, 18.7.1968, p. 1.
[4] OJ No L 116, 28.5.1971, p. 1.
[5] OJ No L 142, 22.6.1972, p. 14.
[6] OJ No L 181, 9.8.1972, p. 11.

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

Done at Brussels, 10 November 1972.

For the Commission

The President

S. L. MANSHOLT