REGULATION (EEC) No 183/73 OF THE COUNCIL

of 23 January 1973

fixing the basic price and the buying-in price for apples from 1 February to 31 May 1973

THE COUNCIL OF THE EUROPEAN COMMUNITIES,

Having regard to the Treaty establishing the European Economic Community;

Having regard to Council Regulation (EEC) No 1035/72 [1] of 18 May 1972 on the common organization of the market in fruit and vegetables, as last amended by Regulation (EEC) No 2745/72 [2] and in particular Article 16 (1) thereof;

Having regard to the proposal from the Commission;

Whereas the marketing of apples harvested during a given year of production is spread between July and June of the following year;

Whereas under Article 16 (1) of Regulation (EEC) No 1035/72, the basic price and the buying-in price of the product for the marketing year must be fixed annually; whereas, however, for the current year, and since the Treaty concerning the Accession of new Member States to the European Economic Community and the European Atomic Energy Community [3], signed at Brussels on 22 January 1972, applies to this market from 1 February 1973, these prices have only been fixed until 31 January 1973; whereas the basic and buying-in prices must, therefore, be fixed for the remainder of the marketing year, taking into account data relating to the production of the products in question in the new Member States;

Whereas under the second subparagraph of Article 16 (1) of Regulation (EEC) No 1035/72, each marketing period at the beginning and at the end of the marketing year is to be disregarded; whereas at the end of the marketing year the quantities marketed in June are only a small percentage of the metric tonnage marketed throughout the whole year; whereas, therefore, this month should be disregarded;

Whereas, under Article 57 of the Act annexed to the abovementioned Treaty, the prices for the new Member States must be decreased by the incidence of the compensatory amount;

Whereas apples produced within the Community include several varieties; whereas different quotations according to varieties are accorded on the market; whereas a sufficiently representative variety should therefore be selected for the application of the intervention system; whereas golden delicious apples, quality class I, satisfy this requirement for the period in question;

Whereas, to take account of seasonal trends in apple prices, the relevant part of the year should be subdivided into several periods and a basic and a buying-in price should be fixed for each one of them;

Whereas the surplus production areas, to be used for fixing the basic price in accordance with Article 16 (2) of Regulation (EEC) No 1035/72, are:

— in February:

The German production area of Hamburg, Schleswig-Holstein, the French production areas of Languedoc-Provence, Pyrénées-Aquitaine, Val de Loire, the Italian production area of Cuneo, Ferrara, the Netherlands and Denmark,

— in March:

Belgium, the German production areas of Hamburg, Schleswig-Holstein, the French production areas of Languedoc-Provence, Val de Loire, Pyrénées-Aquitaine, the Italian production area of Cuneo and Denmark,

— in April:

The French production areas of Languedoc-Provence, Pyrénées-Aquitaine, Val de Loire and the Netherlands,

— in May:

Belgium, the French production areas of Pyrénées-Aquitaine, Val de Loire, the Italian production area of Verona and the Netherlands;

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[1] OJ No L 118, 20. 5. 1972, p. 1.
[2] OJ No L 291, 28. 12. 1972, p. 147.
[3] Special Edition, 27. 3. 1972, p. 5.

HAS ADOPTED THIS REGULATION:

Article 1

1. For the period from 1 February to 31 May 1973, the basic and buying-in prices for apples other than cider apples, in units of account per 100 kg net, are fixed as follows:

	Basic price	*Buying-in price*
February	13·2	7·0
March	14·0	7·5
April	15·5	8·0
May	16·3	8·5

2. The prices quoted in paragraph 1 are those for golden delicious apples, quality Class I, size equal to or larger than 70 mm, packed.

Article 2

The prices referred to in Article 1 (1) do not include the cost of the packing in which the product is presented.

If the price ascertained for a particular product on a representative market, in accordance with Article 17 of Regulation (EEC) No 1035/72, includes all or part of the cost of the packing in which the product is presented, the price shall be reduced by the cost of the packing included.

Article 3

The information to be communicated under Article 17 (1) of Regulation (EEC) No 1035/72 shall include the prices, exclusive of packing, recorded for the variety referred to in Article 1 (2).

Article 4

This Regulation shall enter into force on 1 February 1973.

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

Done at Brussels, 23 January 1973.

For the Council

The President

L. TINDEMANS