REGULATION (EEC) No 187/73 OF THE COUNCIL

of 23 January 1973

amending Regulation (EEC) No 805/68 as regards the import rules for beef and veal

THE COUNCIL OF THE EUROPEAN COMMUNITIES,

Having regard to the Treaty establishing the European Economic Community, and in particular Article 43 thereof;

Having regard to the proposal from the Commission;

Having regard to the Opinion of the European Parliament;

Whereas with effect from 1 February 1973, Article 10 of Regulation (EEC) No 805/68 of the Council of 27 June 1968, on the common organization of the market in beef and veal (1), as last amended by the Act concerning the Conditions of Accession and the Adjustments to the Treaties (2), provides for the fixing of an import price for calves and adult bovine animals, for each of these the calculation to be based on the free-at-frontier offer price of the Community in terms of the most representative purchasing possibilities as regards the quality, quantity and market trends of these products;

Whereas on the markets of third countries with a commercial structure and systems of cattle production comparable to those in the Community, the recorded prices are generally higher than those in other countries supplying the Community;

Whereas provision should accordingly be made for the possibility of fixing a specific import price for calves and adult bovine animals originating in and coming from the said third countries; whereas, in order to keep a regular check on this price, it is desirable to limit this possibility to those countries that keep a continuous record of prices;

HAS ADOPTED THIS REGULATION:

Article 1

1. Article 10 of Regulation (EEC) No 805/68 shall be supplemented by the following paragraph:

'1. (a) A specific import price may be fixed for calves and adult bovine animals originating in and coming from third countries with a commercial structure and systems of cattle production comparable to those in the Community, provided these countries keep a continuous record of prices.

For each of these products, in respect of all the third countries concerned, this price shall be the average of the quotations recorded on the most representative markets in each of these countries, less any export subsidies granted.'

2. In Article 10 (7), second subparagraph of Regulation (EEC) No 805/68, the words 'of paragraph 1' shall be replaced by the words 'of paragraphs 1 and 1 (a)'.

Article 2

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

(1) OJ No L 148, 28. 6. 1968, p. 24.
(2) OJ No L 73, 27. 3. 1972, p. 14.