REGULATION (EEC) No 3493/73 OF THE COMMISSION

of 21 December 1973

repealing Regulation (EEC) No 1411/71 concerning the establishment of a uniform fat content for whole milk

THE COMMISSION OF THE EUROPEAN COMMUNITIES,

Having regard to the Treaty establishing the European Economic Community ;

Having regard to Council Regulation (EEC) No 1411/71 (1) of 29 June 1971 laying down additional rules on the common organization of the market in milk and milk products for products falling within heading No 04.01 of the Common Customs Tariff, as last amended by Regulation (EEC) No 3478/73 (2), and in particular Article 6 (2), second subparagraph ;

Whereas, according to Article 3 (1) (b), second hyphen in connection with Article 6 (1) of Regulation (EEC) No 1411/71 only the milk with a fat content of at least 3·5 % may be delivered as whole milk to the direct consumption in the Community ; whereas Article 6 (2) of this Regulation provides a transitional measure that the arrangements applicable in the Member States at the time that this Regulation entered into force, may continue until 31 December 1973 and that the Commission may postpone the aforesaid date until 31 May 1974 at the latest ;

Whereas, having regard to the reasons for the introduction of the aforementioned arrangements, it seems necessary to maintain the actual situation until 31 March 1974 ;

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

Article 1

In Article 6 (2), first subparagraph of Regulation (EEC) No 1411/71 the application is extended from 31 December 1973 until 31 March 1974.

Article 2

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

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

Done at Brussels, 21 December 1973.

For the Commission

The President

François-Xavier ORTOLI

(1) OJ No L 148, 3. 7. 1971, p. 4.
(2) See p. 7 of this Official Journal.