REGULATION (EEC) No 478/73 OF THE COMMISSION

of 12 February 1973

fixing for the 1971/72 sugar year the final amount of the production levy and the amount to be paid by sugar manufacturers to the beet sellers

THE COMMISSION OF THE EUROPEAN COMMUNITIES,

Having regard to the Treaty establishing the European Economic Community;

Having regard to Council Regulation No 1009/67/EEC [1] of 18 December 1967 on the common organization of the market in sugar as last amended by the Act [2] annexed to the Treaty [3] on the Accession of new Member States to the European Economic Communitiy and the European Atomic Energy Community, signed at Brussels on 22 January 1972, and in particular Article 27 (7) thereof;

Whereas Article 6 (1) of Commission Regulation (EEC) No 142/69 [4] of 25 January 1969 laying down certain detailed rules for the application of the quota system for sugar, as last amended by Regulation (EEC) No 144/73 [5] provides that the final amount of the production levy must be fixed for each sugar year; whereas the criteria for fixing the amount are laid down by Article 27 (2) of Regulation No 1009/67/EEC and Article 6 (2) of Regulation (EEC) No 142/69;

Whereas total Community sugar production for 1971/72, including quantities carried over pursuant to Article 32 of Regulation No 1009/67/EEC, is 8 133 635 metric tons; whereas the guaranteed quantity for 1971/72 was fixed at 6 480 000 metric tons by Council Regulation (EEC) No 1062/71 [6] of 25 May 1971 fixing, for the 1971/72 sugar year, the derived intervention prices, the intervention prices for raw beet sugar, the minimum prices for beet, the threshold prices, the guaranteed quantity, the maximum amount of the production levy and the special maximum quota; whereas 625 992 metric tons were produced above the maximum quotas for the year in question; whereas the quantity carried over to the 1972/73 sugar year under Article 32 of Regulation No 1009/67/EEC and produced within the maximum quota is 63 283 metric tons;

Whereas a total of 902 593 metric tons of excess production was disposed of in 1971/1972; whereas the standard amount per unit of weight to compensate for losses incurred in disposing of the sugar must be calculated in accordance with Article 6 (2) (b) of Regulation (EEC) No 142/69; whereas the amount so calculated is 8·905 units of account per 100 kilogrammes;

Whereas the overall losses incurred in disposing of Community production exceeding the guaranteed quantity can thus be estimated at 85 876 160 units of account;

Whereas the sum of the quantities produced above the basic quotas but within the maximum quota and not carried over is 1 228 563 metric tons; whereas the final amount of the production levy is calculated by dividing the overall losses by the quantity last quoted; whereas this gives a figure of 6·99 units of account per 100 kilogrammes;

Whereas Article 27 (4) of Regulation No 1009/67/EEC provides that sugar manufacturers must, where the production levy is less than the maximum, pay to the beet sellers the difference between those two amounts up to a percentage to be determined; whereas, for the 1971/72 sugar year, Article 7 of Regulation (EEC) No 1062/71 fixed that percentage at 59·12 and fixed the maximum amount of the production levy at 9·10 units of account per 100 kilogrammes of white sugar;

Whereas the amount to be paid per metric ton of sugar beet pursuant to the second subparagraph of Article 27 (4) of Regulation No 1009/67/EEC must be fixed for the standard quality;

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

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[1] OJ No 308, 18. 12. 1967, p. 1.
[2] OJ No L 73, 27. 3. 1972, p. 14.
[3] OJ No L 73, 27. 3. 1972, p. 5.
[4] OJ No L 20, 27. 1. 1969, p. 1.
[5] OJ No L 18, 23. 1. 1973, p. 13.
[6] OJ No L 115, 27. 5. 1971, p. 19.

HAS ADOPTED THIS REGULATION:

Article 1

The final amount of the production levy for the 1971/72 sugar year is 6·99 units of account per 100 kilogrammes.

Article 2

The amount to be paid pursuant to the second subparagraph of Article 27 (4) of Regulation No 1009/67/EEC for the 1971/72 sugar year is 1·62 units of account per metric ton of standard quality beet.

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

Done at Brussels, 12 February 1973.

For the Commission

The President

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