REGULATION (EEC) No 555/73 OF THE COMMISSION

of 22 February 1973

amending Regulation (EEC) No 1259/72 on the disposal of butter at a reduced price to certain Community processing undertakings

THE COMMISSION OF THE EUROPEAN COMMUNITIES,

Having regard to the Council Regulation (EEC) No 804/68 [1] of 27 June 1968 on the common organization of the market in milk and milk products, as last amended by the Act [2] annexed to the Treaty [3] concerning the Accession of new Member States to the European Economic Community and the European Atomic Energy Community, signed at Brussels on 22 January 1972, in particular Article 6 (7) thereof;

Having regard to Council Regulation (EEC) No 985/68 [4] of 15 July 1968 laying down general rules for intervention on the market in butter and cream, as last amended by Regulation (EEC) No 2714/72 [5], and in particular Article 7a thereof;

Whereas Commission Regulation (EEC) No 1259/72 [6] of 16 June 1972 on the disposal of butter at a reduced price to certain Community processing undertakings, as amended by Regulation (EEC) No 376/73 [7], provides in Article 6 (1) (b) (aa) for the incorporation in concentrated butter of 250 g of the product 4 hydroxy-3-methoxybenzaldehyde coming either from vanilla or from synthetic vanillin; whereas experience has shown that by using natural vanilla for marking concentrated butter the prescribed dose can be reduced; whereas the Member State in whose territory the processing takes place may supervise the operation in accordance with the methods of analysis used officially in that Member State;

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

Article 6 (1) (b) (aa) Regulation (EEC) No 1259/72 is replaced by the following:

'(aa) either:

— 250 g of 4 hydroxy-3 methoxybenzaldehyde coming either from vanilla or from synthetic vanillin; or

— 100 g of 4 hydroxy-3 methoxybenzaldehyde obtained exclusively from vanilla beans or integral extracts thereof; the method of analysis by which this provision may be supervised shall be that applied by the official services of the Member State in which processing into finished products takes place; and

— 600 g of a compound containing at least 80 % of sitosterol ($C_{29}H_{50}O$ = Δ-5-stigmastene-3-beta-ol), the remaining part not to contain measurable quantities of stigmasterol.'

Article 2

This Regulation shall enter into force on 28 February 1973.

However, at the request of the parties concerned, obligations assumed under Article 6 of Regulation (EEC) No 1259/72 and arising from individual invitations to tender issued before 28 February 1973 shall be revised in line with this Regulation.

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

Done at Brussels, 22 February 1973.

For the Commission

The President

François-Xavier ORTOLI

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(1) OJ No L 148, 28. 6. 1968, p. 13.
(2) OJ No L 73, 27. 3. 1972, p. 14.
(3) OJ No L 73, 27. 3. 1972, p. 5.
(4) OJ No L 169, 18. 7. 1968, p. 1.
(5) OJ No L 291, 28. 12. 1972, p. 15.
(6) OJ No L 139, 17. 6. 1972, p. 18.
(7) OJ No L 39, 12. 2. 1973, p. 40.