REGULATION (EEC) No 3136/74 OF THE COMMISSION

of 12 December 1974

fixing for the 1974/75 marketing year the minimum purchase price for oranges supplied for processing and the amount of financial compensation payable in respect of the processing of such oranges

THE COMMISSION OF THE EUROPEAN COMMUNITIES,

Having regard to the Treaty establishing the European Economic Community;

Having regard to Council Regulation (EEC) No 2601/69 [1] of 18 December 1969 laying down special measures to encourage the processing of certain varieties of oranges, as amended by Regulation (EEC) No 176/73 [2], and in particular Articles 2 (3) and 3 (2) thereof;

Whereas Article 2 of Regulation (EEC) No 2601/69 provides that the minimum price which, under the contracts, must be paid by the processors to the producers is to be calculated on the basis of the purchase price plus 10 % of the basic price of the varieties which, by reason of their commercial characteristics, are usually sent for processing; whereas since the products in question are oranges of the Biondo commune variety, the minimum price should be fixed on the basis of the average purchase price operative for oranges of that variety in the current marketing year under Regulation (EEC) No 1069/74 [3] fixing the basic prices and the purchase prices for sweet oranges, as amended by Regulations (EEC) No 2518/74 [4] and (EEC) No 1203/73 [5] fixing the conversion factors to be applied to the purchase price for sweet oranges, as last amended by Regulation (EEC) No 1697/74 [6] plus 10 % of the average basic price for that period;

Whereas, with a view to encouraging recourse to processing, it seems appropriate to fix the financial compensation at such a level that the cost to the processor is not subject to any large increase by comparison with the preceding marketing year, always providing that, under the terms of Article 3 of Regulation (EEC) No 2601/69, the compensation may not exceed the difference between the minimum price and 80 % of the average price prevailing in the industry in the principal producer Member State during the three marketing years 1971/72, 1972/73 and 1973/74;

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

HAS ADOPTED THIS REGULATION:

Article 1

1. For the 1974/75 marketing year, the minimum price referred to in Article 2 (2) of Regulation (EEC) No 2601/69 is fixed as follows:

— 6·5 units of account per 100 kg net for products in Class I,

— 5·4 units of account per 100 kg net for products in Class II,

— 4·2 units of account per 100 kg net for products in Class III or mixed.

2. This price applies to goods ex-producers' packing station.

Article 2

The amount of the financial compensation referred to in Article 3 (1) of Regulation (EEC) No 2601/69 is fixed as follows:

— 3·2 units of account per 100 kg net for products in Class I,

— 2·1 units of account per 100 kg net for products in Class II,

— 1·1 units of account per 100 kg net for products in Class III or mixed.

Article 3

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

(1) OJ No L 324, 27. 12. 1969, p. 21.
(2) OJ No L 25, 30. 1. 1973, p. 3.
(3) OJ No L 120, 1. 5. 1974, p. 6.
(4) OJ No L 270, 5. 10. 1974, p. 1.
(5) OJ No L 123, 10. 5. 1973, p. 1.
(6) OJ No L 179, 2. 7. 1974, p. 7.

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

Done at Brussels, 12 December 1974.

For the Commission

The President

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