REGULATION (EEC) No 666/74 OF THE COUNCIL

of 28 March 1974

supplementing Regulation (EEC) No 986/68 as regards the criteria governing the fixing of aid for skimmed milk and skimmed-milk powder, for use as feed

THE COUNCIL OF THE EUROPEAN COMMUNITIES,

Having regard to the Treaty establishing the European Economic Community;

Having regard to 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 Regulation (EEC) No 662/74 [2], and in particular Article 10 (2) thereof;

Having regard to the proposal from the Commission;

Whereas in accordance with Article 10 (3) of Regulation (EEC) No 804/68 the amount of aid granted for skimmed milk and skimmed-milk powder for use as feed is fixed henceforward in accordance with the procedure laid down in Article 30 of the said Regulation; whereas, therefore, it is necessary to determine the criteria to be considered at the time of fixing these aids and to supplement Council Regulation (EEC) No 986/68 [3] of 15 July 1968 laying down general rules for granting aid for skimmed milk and skimmed-milk powder for use as feed, as last amended by Regulation (EEC) No 1038/72 [4];

Whereas, to determine the amount of the aid in question, account should be taken of the entire protein market, and in particular of the relationship existing between the price of skimmed-milk powder and that of competing nitrates used in feedingstuffs; whereas both the increase in the use of liquid skimmed milk and skimmed-milk powder and price trends on the veal market should also be taken into consideration; whereas, moreover, an adequately stable amount of aid should be ensured,

HAS ADOPTED THIS REGULATION:

Article 1

Regulation (EEC) No 986/68 shall be supplemented by the addition of Article 2a as follows:

'1. Aid shall be fixed taking into account the following factors:

— the intervention price for skimmed-milk powder applicable during the milk year concerned,

— the supply situation as regards skimmed milk and skimmed-milk powder and developments in the use thereof as feed,

— trends in veal prices,

— trends in the market prices of competing proteins compared with those of skimmed-milk powder.

2. Aids shall be fixed annually for the following milk year, immediately after the fixing of the intervention price of skimmed-milk powder for the new year, within a margin to be fixed by the Council acting on the proposal of the Commission in accordance with the voting procedure laid down in Article 43 (2) of the Treaty.

They shall be modified during the milk year only in so far as a considerable change in the factors referred to in paragraph 1 so requires.

3. As far as the milk year 1974/75 is concerned, the aid for skimmed-milk powder shall be between 26 u.a. and 36 u.a. per 100 kg.

For skimmed milk, it shall bear an appropriate relationship to the aid fixed for skimmed-milk powder.

Article 2

This Regulation shall enter into force on 1 April 1974.

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

Done at Brussels, 28 March 1974.

For the Council

The President

J. ERTL

(1) OJ No L 148, 28. 6. 1968, p. 13.
(2) See p. 51 of this Official Journal.
(3) OJ No L 169, 18. 7. 1968, p. 4.
(4) OJ No L 118, 20. 5. 1972, p. 21.