REGULATION (EEC) No 1918/75 OF THE COMMISSION

of 25 July 1975

fixing for purposes of application of the system of import licences for preserved mushrooms the percentage applicable to the reference quantity

THE COMMISSION OF THE EUROPEAN COMMUNITIES,

Having regard to the Treaty establishing the European Economic Community ;

Having regard to Council Regulation (EEC) No 865/68 (1) of 28 June 1968 on the common organization of the market in products processed from fruit and vegetables, as last amended by Regulation (EEC) No 1420/75 (2) ;

Having regard to Council Regulation (EEC) No 1427/71 (3) of 2 July 1971 introducing protective measures for products processed from fruit and vegetables, and in particular Article 1 (2) thereof ;

Whereas Commission Regulation (EEC) No 2107/74 (4) of 8 August 1974, as amended by Regulation (EEC) No 2587/74 (5), laid down protective measures applicable to imports of preserved mushrooms from third countries ; whereas for this purpose the Regulation set up machinery for restricting imports by means of a system of import licences ;

Whereas pursuant to Article 2 (2) of the abovementioned Regulation the Commission is responsible for assessing the situation and for deciding on the quantities of products for which import licences are to be issued, fixing a percentage to be applied to each applicant's reference quantity ; whereas such assessment and decision must be based primarily on notifications by Member States giving the quantities in respect of which licences have been applied for ;

Whereas Commission Regulation (EEC) No 2266/74 (6) of 30 August 1974 fixed the percentage applicable to the reference quantity for imports from third countries which do not fulfil the conditions of Article 1 (4) of Regulation (EEC) No 2107/74 at 50 % and 100 % respectively of the reference quantity as defined in Article 3 of the Regulation, according to whether the preserves are of cultivated or of wild mushrooms ;

Whereas application of the protective measures under the conditions defined in the Regulations referred to has not led to an improvement in the situation in the Community market for preserved cultivated mushrooms, this market being characterized by the continued existence of large stocks of Community products ;

Whereas import of the quantities for which licences have been applied for in the Member States would risk aggravating this situation ;

Whereas, therefore, to permit of an improvement in the Community market it appears necessary to adjust the percentage applicable to the reference quantity for imports of preserved cultivated mushrooms from third countries ; whereas, on the other hand, the percentage applicable to preserved wild mushrooms can be maintained at its present level ;

HAS ADOPTED THIS REGULATION :

Article 1

With effect from 28 July 1975 applications for import licences made in accordance with the provisions of Article 1 of Regulation (EEC) No 2107/74 shall be granted in respect of an amount equal to whichever is the lower of (i) the amount specified in the application and (ii) in the case of preserved wild mushrooms the reference quantity as defined in Article 3 of that Regulation, or in the case of preserved cultivated mushrooms 25 % of that reference quantity.

Article 2

Regulation (EEC) No 2266/74 is hereby repealed.

Article 3

This Regulation shall enter into force on 28 July 1975.

(1) OJ No L 153, 1. 7. 1968, p. 8.
(2) OJ No L 141, 3. 6. 1975, p. 1.
(3) OJ No L 151, 7. 7. 1971, p. 5.
(4) OJ No L 218, 9. 8. 1974, p. 54.
(5) OJ No L 276, 11. 10. 1974, p. 30.
(6) OJ No L 239, 31. 8. 1974, p. 52.

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

Done at Brussels, 25 July 1975.

For the Commission

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