REGULATION (EEC) No 464/75 OF THE COUNCIL

of 27 February 1975

establishing systems of premiums for producers of bovine animals

THE COUNCIL OF THE EUROPEAN COMMUNITIES,

Having regard to the Treaty establishing the European Economic Community, and in particular Article 43 thereof;

Having regard to the proposal from the Commission;

Having regard to the Opinion of the European Parliament;

Whereas by way of derogation from Regulation (EEC) No 805/68 (1) of 27 June 1968 on the common organization of the market in beef and veal, as last amended by Regulation (EEC) No 1855/74 (2), the intervention price for beef and veal has not been increased for the 1975/76 marketing year by the same amount as the guide price; whereas it is therefore necessary to ensure to producers incomes reflecting the increase in the latter; whereas it is appropriate to this end to grant aids to producers who devote themselves to cattle raising;

Whereas this objective can be achieved by the granting of slaughter premiums for certain adult bovine animals intended for slaughter, of Community origin, excluding cows;

Whereas, however, in order to take account of regional disparities existing in the structuring of cattle raising, the Member States who have not granted the orderly marketing premium referred to in Article 1 of Regulation (EEC) No 1967/74 (3), as last amended by Regulation (EEC) No 2803/74 (4), should be authorized to grant a premium for the retention on the holding of cows or a premium for the birth of calves, in place of the slaughter premium for certain adult bovine animals intended for slaughter;

Whereas in these circumstances it is desirable to suspend, in the aforesaid Member States, the application of the development premium for specialized raising of cattle for meat production as laid down in Article 6 of Regulation (EEC) No 1353/73 (5), as amended by Regulation (EEC) No 266/75 (6), as well as the premium for the retention of cattle laid down in Article 2 of Regulation (EEC) No 2502/74 (7),

HAS ADOPTED THIS REGULATION:

Article 1

1. Member States shall grant for the benefit of the producers a premium on the slaughter during the period from 1 May 1975 to 29 February 1976 of certain adult bovine animals of Community origin intended for slaughter, other than cows.

The amount of the premium shall be equal to 28 units of account for each adult bovine animal.

2. In addition, Member States are authorized to grant for the animals referred to in paragraph 1 a supplementary national premium, the amount of which can vary in time, up to a maximum amount of 52 units of account for each adult bovine animal.

Article 2

1. The grant of the premiums shall be subject to proof that slaughter has taken place in the Community during the period laid down in Article 1 (1).

2. If an animal which may be the subject of the premiums laid down in Article 1 is exported from one Member State to another, these premiums shall be paid by the exporting Member State on presentation of a declaration of slaughter or, in the absence of such declaration to be determined according to the procedure laid down in Article 27 of Regulation (EEC) No 805/68.

(1) OJ No L 148, 28. 6. 1968, p. 24.
(2) OJ No L 195, 18. 7. 1974, p. 14.
(3) OJ No L 206, 27. 7. 1974, p. 1.
(4) OJ No L 300, 8. 11. 1974, p. 1.
(5) OJ No L 141, 28. 5. 1973, p.18.
(6) OJ No L 30, 4. 2. 1975, p. 1.
(7) OJ No L 268, 3. 10. 1974, p. 12.

However, two Member States may agree that for the exchanges in respect of trade between them, the premiums shall be paid by the Member State in which the animal is slaughtered. Member States which make use of this facility shall inform the Commission.

Article 3

Meat coming from animals which have been the subject of the premiums laid down in Article 1 cannot be bought by the intervention agencies.

However, Member States are authorized to derogate from the first subparagraph on condition that they require the repayment of the premiums.

Article 4

Member States who have not granted the orderly marketing premium referred to in Article 1 of Regulation (EEC) No 1967/74, are authorized to grant instead of the system laid down in Article 1 for the benefit of producers a premium for the retention of cows on the holding or a premium for the birth of calves.

In this case, the application of the system of the premiums laid down in Article 6 of Regulation (EEC) No 1353/73 and in Article 2 of Regulation (EEC) No 2502/74 is suspended as from 3 March 1975.

Article 5

1. The premium for the retention on the holding of cows referred to in Article 4 shall be granted for the period from 3 March 1975 to 29 February 1976.

2. The amount of this premium shall be decided according to the procedure provided for in Article 27 of Regulation (EEC) No 805/68 on the basis of the costs chargeable to the European Agricultural Guidance and Guarantee Fund, Guarantee Section which would have resulted from the application in the Member State concerned of the premium referred to in Article 1 of Regulation (EEC) No 1967/74 during the months of January to April 1975, and of the premium referred to in Article 1 (1).

3. In addition, the Member States concerned shall be authorized to grant a national supplementary premium the amount of which does not exceed 65% of the sum of the premium for the retention of cows on the holding and this supplementary premium.

Article 6

1. The premium for the birth of calves referred to in Article 4 shall be granted per calf born during the 1975/76 marketing year.

2. The amount of this premium shall be 56 units of account chargeable to the European Agricultural Guidance and Guarantee Fund, Guarantee Section. This amount shall be paid in two equal instalments, one at the birth of the live calf and the other 12 months later if the calf is still alive.

Article 7

1. The detailed rules of application of this Regulation shall be adopted according to the procedure laid down in Article 27 of Regulation (EEC) No 805/68.

2. These detailed rules shall include in particular:

(a) definition of the categories and qualities of animals to benefit from the premium system;

(b) control methods;

(c) measures ensuring that it is the producer who benefits from the premiums, in particular in the case of export of adult bovine animals intended for slaughter from one Member State to another;

(d) measures necessary to avoid distortion of trade in animals due to differing application in the various Member States of the premium systems;

(e) conditions under which the premiums can be granted at the first marketing of adult bovine animals intended for slaughter.

Article 8

The Commission shall submit to the Council, at the latest on 1 December 1975, on the basis of the information which has been given to it by the Member States, a report on the application of the system of premiums.

Article 9

This Regulation shall enter into force on 3 March 1975.

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

Done at Brussels, 27 February 1975.

For the Council

The President

M. A. CLINTON