COMMISSION REGULATION (EEC) No 3096/76

of 17 December 1976

repealing Regulation (EEC) No 2107/74 laying down protective measures applicable to imports of preserved mushrooms

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 of 28 June 1968 on the common organization of the market in products processed from fruit and vegetables (1), as last amended by Regulation (EEC) No 1164/76 (2),

Having regard to Council Regulation (EEC) No 1927/75 of 22 July 1975 concerning the system of trade with third countries in the market in products processed from fruit and vegetables (3), and in particular Article 7 (2) thereof,

Whereas the Commission found in August 1974 that, as a result of the large-scale importation of preserved mushrooms from non-member countries at prices substantially lower than the production cost to the Community industry, the Community market was threatened with serious disturbances likely to endanger the objectives set out in Article 39 of the Treaty; whereas, in order to deal with this situation, the Commission adopted, by means of Regulation (EEC) No 2107/74 of 8 August 1974 (4), as last amended by Regulation (EEC) No 1407/76 (5), protective measures applicable to imports of the products in question;

Whereas the situation which gave rise to these protective measures in coming to an end; whereas the above-mentioned Regulation should therefore be repealed;

Whereas, as part of the protective measures, Regulation (EEC) No 2107/74 provided for a system of import licences; whereas the validity of the licences granted for this quarter expires on 31 December 1976;

Whereas, during the period of application of the protective measures, this system of import licences replaced the system of import licences introduced by Article 4 of Regulation (EEC) No 1927/75; whereas, in order to ensure the continuity of imports, the date for the reintroduction of this system of import licences should be fixed by reference to the time required for the issue of the licences,

HAS ADOPTED THIS REGULATION:

Article 1

Regulation (EEC) No 2107/74 is hereby repealed with effect from 1 January 1977.

Article 2

The system of import licences laid down in Article 4 of Regulation (EEC) No 1927/75 shall apply to preserved mushrooms with effect from 27 December 1976.

Article 3

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

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

Done at Brussels, 17 December 1976.

For the Commission

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(1) OJ No L 153, 1. 7. 1968, p. 8.
(2) OJ No L 135, 24. 5. 1976, p. 38.
(3) OJ No L 198, 29. 7. 1975, p. 7.
(4) OJ No L 218, 9. 8. 1974, p. 54.
(5) OJ No L 158, 19. 6. 1976, p. 25.