COMMISSION REGULATION (EEC) No 644/77

of 29 March 1977

laying down special rules for the application of accession compensatory amounts with a view to preventing deflections of trade in beef and veal

THE COMMISSION OF THE EUROPEAN COMMUNITIES,

Having regard to the Treaty of Accession,

Having regard to Council Regulation (EEC) No 430/77 of 14 February 1977 laying down general rules for the system of compensatory amounts for beef and veal [1], and in particular the first paragraph of Article 10 thereof,

Whereas pursuant to Regulation (EEC) No 430/77 the accession compensatory amounts for beef and veal are calculated in accordance with the rules for calculating the levies; whereas that Regulation replaced Council Regulation (EEC) No 181/73 of 23 January 1973 laying down general rules for the system of compensatory amounts for beef and veal [2];

Whereas the amounts applicable to carcases and quarters of adult bovine animals are much lower than those applicable to cuts of meat, particularly boned cuts;

Whereas, since the latter products may readily be obtained from the former, the desire to take advantage of the difference in compensatory amounts created artificial trade flows and thereby deflected trade to the financial detriment of the Community;

Whereas in these circumstances the requisite measures were taken by Commission Regulation (EEC) No 523/75 of 28 February 1975 laying down special rules for the application of accession compensatory amounts with a view to preventing deflection of trade in beef and veal [3], to put an end to such practices, the compensatory amounts for cuts and for meat, salted or in brine, as well as for other prepared or preserved meat or meat offal, uncooked, being aligned as necessary on those for carcases and half-carcases of adult bovine animals;

Whereas these special arrangements should be continued and the text of the relevant provisions aligned with the present wording of the Common Customs Tariff, Regulation (EEC) No 523/75 being accordingly repealed;

Whereas the measures provided for in this Regulation are in accordance with the opinion of the Management Committee for Beef and Veal,

HAS ADOPTED THIS REGULATION:

Article 1

The accession compensatory amounts for products falling within subheadings 02.01 A II a) 4, 02.01 A II b) 4 (aa) and (bb) 33, 02.06 C I a) and 16.02 B III b) 1 (aa) of the Common Customs Tariff shall, to the extent necessary to prevent deflections of trade or artificial trade flows, be fixed, by alignment on the amounts for carcases and half-carcases of adult bovine animals, at levels below those obtained by application of the rules laid down for the calculation of the levy.

Article 2

Commission Regulation (EEC) No 523/75 is hereby repealed.

Article 3

This Regulation shall enter into force on 1 April 1977.

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

Done at Brussels, 29 March 1977.

For the Commission

Finn GUNDELACH

Vice-President

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[1] OJ No L 61, 5. 3. 1977, p. 20.
[2] OJ No L 25, 30. 1. 1973, p. 9.
[3] OJ No L 55, 1. 3. 1975, p. 70.