COUNCIL REGULATION (EEC) No 869/77

of 26 April 1977

fixing the guide price and the intervention price for adult bovine animals for the 1977/78 marketing year

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 Council Regulation (EEC) No 805/68 of 27 June 1968 on the common organization of the market in beef and veal (1), as last amended by Regulation (EEC) No 425/77 (2), and in particular Article 3 (3), the first paragraph of Article 4 and the second subparagraph of Article 6 (4) thereof,

Having regard to the proposal from the Commission,

Having regard to the opinion of the European Parliament (3),

Having regard to the opinion of the Economic and Social Committee (4),

Whereas, when the guide price for adult bovine animals is fixed, account should be taken both of the objectives of the common agricultural policy and of the contribution which the Community desires to make to the harmonious development of world trade ; whereas the common agricultural policy aims *inter alia* to ensure a fair standard of living for the agricultural community, to guarantee the availability of supplies and to ensure that supplies reach consumers at reasonable prices ;

Whereas the guide price must be fixed in accordance with the criteria laid down in Article 3 (2) of Regulation (EEC) No 805/68 ; whereas for the 1977/78 marketing year it should be fixed at a slightly higher level than that adopted for the previous marketing year ;

Whereas, moreover, in view of the current economic situation on the beef and veal market the intervention price for the 1977/78 marketing year for adult bovine animals should be fixed at the same level in relation to the guide price as that adopted for the previous marketing year ;

Whereas Article 52 (2) of the Act of Accession provides for annual alignment at the beginning of each marketing year of the prices applied in the new Member States ; whereas paragraph 4 thereof provides that the common prices are to be applied in the new Member States by 1 January 1978 at the latest ; whereas these provisions apply to the guide price for adult bovine animals under Article 90 of the Act of Accession ;

Whereas Regulation (EEC) No 805/68 provides for an intervention system including *inter alia* the obligation to buy in beef meeting certain quality requirements ; whereas the reasons, which in the 1976/77 marketing year resulted in provisions being made for the possible suspension of intervention measures in regions where prices were relatively high, are still valid for the 1977/78 marketing year,

HAS ADOPTED THIS REGULATION :

Article 1

For the 1977/78 marketing year the guide price for adult bovine animals shall be fixed at the following levels :

(u.a./100 kg liveweight)

Ireland and United Kingdom	Other Member States and, from 1 January 1978, all Member States
118·27	122·90

Article 2

For the 1977/78 marketing year :

— the intervention price referred to in the second subparagraph of Article 6 (1) of Regulation (EEC) No 805/68 shall be fixed at the following levels :

(u.a./100 kg liveweight)

Ireland and United Kingdom	Other Member States and, from 1 January 1978, all Member States
106·44	110·61

— the price level referred to in the first sentence of Article 6 (3) of Regulation (EEC) No 805/68 shall be 110·61 units of account per 100 kilograms liveweight.

(1) OJ No L 148, 28. 6. 1968, p. 24.
(2) OJ No L 61, 5. 3. 1977, p. 1.
(3) OJ No C 93, 18. 4. 1977, p. 11.
(4) OJ No C 77, 30. 3. 1977, p. 15.

Article 3

The dates 30 April 1977 and 1 May 1977 in Article 1 of Regulation (EEC) No 649/77 shall be replaced by 1 May 1977 and 2 May 1977 respectively.

Article 4

By way of derogation from Article 6 (1) of Regultion (EEC) No 805/68, the intervention measures may be totally or partially suspended in a Member State or a region when the price recorded on the representative market or markets of that Member State or of that region is equal to or higher than 95 % of the guide price for a certain period.

Article 5

This Regulation shall enter into force on 1 May 1977.

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

Done at Luxembourg, 26 April 1977.

For the Council

The President

J. SILKIN