COUNCIL REGULATION (EEC) No 593/78

of 20 March 1978

amending Regulation (EEC) No 880/77 on the granting of a consumer subsidy for butter

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 804/68 of 27 June 1968 on the common organization of the market in milk and milk products (1), as last amended by Regulation (EEC) No 2560/77 (2), and in particular Article 12 (2) thereof,

Having regard to the proposal from the Commission,

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

Whereas Council Regulation (EEC) No 880/77 of 26 April 1977 on the granting of a consumer subsidy for butter (4) authorizes Member States to grant, in favour of final private consumers, a subsidy for butter which may not however exceed 56 units of account per 100 kilograms; whereas Article 3 of that Regulation determines the method of calculating the Community financing of the said subsidy by way of derogation from the arrangements referred to in Article 3 of Regulation (EEC) No 729/70 of 21 April 1970 on the financing of the common agricultural policy (5), as last amended by Regulation (EEC) No 2788/72 (6);

Whereas special financing arrangements, applicable until 31 December 1978, are foreseen for the United Kingdom; whereas for the period 1 April to 31 December 1978 the level of Community financing remains to be determined so as to bring these special arrangements progressively into alignment with the Community arrangements for financing the subsidy; whereas a decision in this area will be taken within the framework of the fixing of prices for the 1978/79 milk year; whereas, until this decision is taken, the special financing arrangements, which are at the moment applicable until 31 March 1978, should be extended up to the end of the 1977/78 milk year,

HAS ADOPTED THIS REGULATION:

Article 1

The second subparagraph of Article 3 (1) of Regulation (EEC) No 880/77 shall be amended as follows:

1. Under (a), the terms 'during the period 1 May 1977 to 31 March 1978' shall be replaced by the terms 'during the period 1 May 1977 up to the end of the 1977/78 milk year'.
2. Under (b), the terms 'during the period 1 April to 31 December 1978' shall be replaced by the terms 'during the period from the beginning of the 1978/79 milk year to 31 December 1978'.

Article 2

This Regulation shall enter into force on 1 April 1978.

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

Done at Brussels, 20 March 1978.

For the Council

The President

K. HEINESEN

(1) OJ No L 148, 28. 6. 1968, p. 13.
(2) OJ No L 303, 28. 11. 1977, p. 1.
(3) Opinion delivered on 17 March 1978 (not yet published in the Official Journal).
(4) OJ No L 106, 29. 4. 1977, p. 31.
(5) OJ No L 94, 28. 4. 1970, p. 13.
(6) OJ No L 295, 30. 12. 1972, p. 1.