COMMISSION REGULATION (EEC) No 931/80

of 17 April 1980

fixing minimum levies on the importation of olive oil and levies on the importation of other olive oil sector products

THE COMMISSION OF THE EUROPEAN COMMUNITIES,

Having regard to the Treaty establishing the European Economic Community,

Having regard to Council Regulation No 136/66/EEC of 22 September 1966 on the establishment of a common organization of the market in oils and fats [1], as last amended by Regulation (EEC) No 590/79 [2], and in particular Article 16 (2) thereof,

Having regard to Council Regulation (EEC) No 2749/78 of 23 November 1978 on trade in oils and fats between the Community and Greece [3], and in particular Article 5 (2) thereof,

Having regard to Council Regulation (EEC) No 1514/76 of 24 June 1976 on imports of olive oil originating in Algeria [4], as amended by Regulation (EEC) No 2761/78 [5], and in particular Article 5 thereof,

Having regard to Council Regulation (EEC) No 1521/76 of 24 June 1976 on imports of olive oil originating in Morocco [6], as last amended by Regulation (EEC) No 2761/78, and in particular Article 5 thereof,

Having regard to Council Regulation (EEC) No 1508/76 of 24 June 1976 on imports of olive oil originating in Tunisia [7], as amended by Regulation (EEC) No 2761/78, and in particular Article 5 thereof,

Having regard to Council Regulation (EEC) No 1180/77 of 17 May 1977 on imports into the Community of certain agricultural products originating in Turkey [8], as amended by Regulation (EEC) No 2766/78 [9], and in particular Article 10 (2) thereof,

Having regard to Council Regulation (EEC) No 1620/77 of 18 July 1977 laying down detailed rules for the importation of olive oil from Lebanon [10],

Whereas by Regulation (EEC) No 3131/78 of 28 December 1978 [11] the Commission decided to use the tendering procedure to fix levies on olive oil;

Whereas Article 3 of Regulation (EEC) No 2751/78 of 23 November 1978 laying down general rules for fixing the import levy on olive oil by tender [12] specifies that the minimum levy rate shall be fixed for each of the products concerned on the basis of the situation on the world or Greek markets and the Community market and of the levy rates indicated by tenderers;

Whereas in the collection of the levy account should be taken of the provisions in the Agreements between the Community and certain third countries; whereas in particular the levy applicable for those countries must be fixed taking as a basis for calculation the levy to be collected on imports from the other third countries;

Whereas application of the rules recalled above to the levy rates indicated by tenderers on 14 and 15 April 1980 leads to the minimum levies being fixed as indicated in Annex I to this Regulation;

Whereas Council Regulation (EEC) No 652/79 of 29 March 1979 on the impact of the European monetary system on the common agricultural policy [13], as amended by Regulation (EEC) No 1264/79 [14], introduced the ECU into the common agricultural policy; whereas, since that time, pursuant to existing provisions, the ECU has been taken into account in the fixing of amounts relating to:

— the application of the common agricultural policy,

— the special trade arrangements for goods resulting from the processing of agricultural products;

Whereas the period of validity of the aforesaid Regulation was limited to 31 March 1980; whereas it has not been possible for a prolongation of those arrangements, proposed by the Commission, to be adopted in time by the Council; whereas, in order to avoid a break in the arrangements resulting, in particular, in alterations in the level of prices and of other amounts

(1) OJ No 172, 30. 9. 1966, p. 3025/66.
(2) OJ No L 78, 30. 3. 1979, p. 1.
(3) OJ No L 331, 28. 11. 1978, p. 1.
(4) OJ No L 169, 28. 6. 1976, p. 24.
(5) OJ No L 332, 29. 11. 1978, p. 13.
(6) OJ No L 169, 28. 6. 1976, p. 43.
(7) OJ No L 169, 28. 6. 1976, p. 9.
(8) OJ No L 142, 9. 6. 1977, p. 10.
(9) OJ No L 332, 29. 11. 1978, p. 26.
(10) OJ No L 181, 21. 7. 1977, p. 4.
(11) OJ No L 370, 30. 12. 1978, p. 60.
(12) OJ No L 331, 28. 11. 1978, p. 6.
(13) OJ No L 84, 4. 4. 1979, p. 1.
(14) OJ No L 161, 29. 6. 1979, p. 1.

in national currency, it appears necessary, in the manifest public interest, as a precautionary measure and pending a final decision on the matter by the Council, to continue the application of the arrangements in their present form ;

Whereas the import levy on olives falling within subheadings 07.01 N II and 07.03 A II of the Common Customs Tariff and on products falling within subheadings 15.17 B I and 23.04 A II of the Common Customs Tariff must be calculated from the minimum levy applicable on the olive oil contained in these products ; whereas, however, the levy charged for olive oil may not be less than an amount equal to 8 % of the value of the imported product, such amount to be fixed at a standard rate ; whereas application of these provisions leads to the levies being fixed as indicated in Annex II to this Regulation,

HAS ADOPTED THIS REGULATION :

Article 1

The minimum levies on olive oil imports are fixed in Annex I.

Article 2

The levies applicable on imports of other olive oil sector products are fixed in Annex II.

Article 3

This Regulation shall enter into force on 18 April 1980.

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

Done at Brussels, 17 April 1980.

For the Commission

Finn GUNDELACH

Vice-President

ANNEX I

Minimum import levies on olive oil

(ECU / 100 kg)

CCT heading No	Greece	Non-member countries
15.07 A I a)	9·50 (1)	27·40 (1)
15.07 A I b)	3·50 (1)	18·00 (1)
15.07 A I c)	7·80 (1)	31·90 (1)
15.07 A II a)	5·00	34·20 (2)
15.07 A II b)	18·00	61·20 (3)

(1) For imports of oil falling within this tariff subheading and produced entirely in one of the countries listed below and transported directly from any of those countries to the Community, the levy to be collected is reduced by :

(a) Greece, Spain and Lebanon : 0·60 ECU/100 kg ;

(b) Turkey : 22·36 ECU/100 kg provided that the operator furnishes proof of having paid the export tax applied by that country ; however, the repayment may not exceed the amount of the tax in force ;

(c) Algeria, Morocco, Tunisia : 24·78 ECU/100 kg provided that the operator furnishes proof of having paid the export tax applied by those countries ; however, the repayment may not exceed the amount of the tax in force.

(2) For imports of oil falling within this tariff subheading :

(a) produced entirely in Algeria, Morocco or Tunisia and transported directly from any of those countries to the Community, the levy to be collected is reduced by 3·86 ECU/100 kg ;

(b) produced entirely in Turkey and transported directly from that country to the Community, the levy to be collected is reduced by 3·09 ECU/100 kg.

(3) For imports of oil falling within this tariff subheading :

(a) produced entirely in Algeria, Morocco or Tunisia and transported directly from any of those countries to the Community, the levy to be collected is reduced by 7·25 ECU/100 kg ;

(b) produced entirely in Turkey and transported directly from that country to the Community, the levy to be collected is reduced by 5·80 ECU/100 kg.

ANNEX II

Import levies on other olive oil sector products

(ECU / 100 kg)

CCT heading No	Greece	Non-member countries
07.01 N II	0·77	3·96
07.03 A II	0·77	3·96
15.17 B I a)	1·75	9·00
15.17 B I b)	2·80	14·40
23.04 A II	0·62	2·55