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COMMISSION REGULATION (EEC) No 971/80

of 22 April 1980

fixing the import levies on cereals and on wheat or rye flour, groats and meal

THE COMMISSION OF THE EUROPEAN COMMUNITIES,

Having regard to the Treaty establishing the European Economic Community,

Having regard to Council Regulation (EEC) No 2727/75 of 29 October 1975 on the common organization of the market in cereals (1), as last amended by Regulation (EEC) No 1547/79 (2), and in particular Article 13 (5) thereof,

Having regard to Council Regulation No 129 on the value of the unit of account and the exchange rates to be applied for the purposes of the common agricultural policy (3), as last amended by Regulation (EEC) No 2543/73 (4), and in particular Article 3 thereof,

Having regard to the opinion of the Monetary Committee,

Whereas, the import levies on cereals, wheat and rye flour, and wheat groats and meal were fixed by Regulation (EEC) No 1658/79 (5) and subsequent amending Regulations ;

Whereas Council Regulation (EEC) No 652/79 of 29 March 1979 on the impact of the European monetary system on the common agricultural policy (6), as amended by Regulation (EEC) No 1264/79 (7), 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 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, if the levy system is to operate normally, levies should be calculated on the following basis :

— in the case of currencies which are maintained in relation to each other at any given moment within a band of 2·25 %, a rate of exchange based on their effective parity ;
— for other currencies, an exchange rate based on the arithmetic mean of the spot market rates of each of these currencies in relation to the Community currencies referred to in the previous indent ;

Whereas these exchange rates being those recorded on 21 April 1980 ;

Whereas it follows from applying the detailed rules contained in Regulation (EEC) No 1658/79 to today's offer prices and quotations known to the Commission that the levies at present in force should be altered to the amounts set out in the Annex hereto,

HAS ADOPTED THIS REGULATION :

Article 1

The import levies to be charged on products listed in Article 1 (a), (b) and (c) of Regulation (EEC) No 2727/75 shall be as set out in the Annex hereto.

Article 2

This Regulation shall enter into force on 23 April 1980.

(1) OJ No L 281, 1. 11. 1975, p. 1.
(2) OJ No L 188, 26. 7. 1979, p. 1.
(3) OJ No 106, 30. 10. 1962, p. 2553/62.
(4) OJ No L 263, 19. 9. 1973, p. 1.
(5) OJ No L 193, 1. 8. 1979, p. 5.
(6) OJ No L 84, 4. 4. 1979, p. 1.
(7) OJ No L 161, 29. 6. 1979, p. 1.

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

Done at Brussels, 22 April 1980.

For the Commission

Finn GUNDELACH

Vice-President

ANNEX

to the Commission Regulation of 22 April 1980 fixing the import levies on cereals and on wheat or rye flour, groats and meal

(ECU/tonne)

CCT heading No	Description	Levies
10.01 A	Common wheat, and meslin	89·52
10.01 B	Durum wheat	122·91 (1) (5)
10.02	Rye	81·00 (6)
10.03	Barley	79·54
10.04	Oats	62·37
10.05 B	Maize, other than hybrid maize for sowing	93·64 (2) (3)
10.07 A	Buckwheat	0
10.07 B	Millet	23·88 (4)
10.07 C	Grain sorghum	84·94 (4)
10.07 D	Canary seed ; other cereals	0 (5)
11.01 A	Wheat or meslin flour	139·82
11.01 B	Rye flour	127·87
11.02 A I a)	Durum wheat groats and meal	203·98
11.02 A I b)	Common wheat groats and meal	149·28

(1) Where durum wheat originating in Morocco is transported directly from that country to the Community, the levy is reduced by 0·60 ECU/tonne.

(2) In accordance with Regulation (EEC) No 435/80, the levies are not applied to imports into the French overseas departments of products originating in the African, Caribbean and Pacific States or in the 'overseas countries and territories'.

(3) Where maize originating in the ACP or OCT is imported into the Community the levy is reduced by 1·81 ECU/tonne.

(4) Where millet and sorghum originating in the ACP or OCT is imported into the Community the levy is reduced by 50 %.

(5) Where durum wheat and canary seed produced in Turkey are transported directly from that country to the Community, the levy is reduced by 0·60 ECU/tonne.

(6) The import levy charged on rye produced in Turkey and transported directly from that country to the Community is laid down in Council Regulation (EEC) No 1180/77 and Commission Regulation (EEC) No 2622/71.