COUNCIL REGULATION (EEC) No 1302/85

of 23 May 1985

amending Regulation (EEC) No 1079/77 in respect of the co-responsibility levy on milk and milk products

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 the proposal from the Commission (1),

Having regard to the opinion of the European Parliament (2),

Whereas Regulation (EEC) No 1079/77 (3), as last amended by Regulation (EEC) No 1206/84 (4), introduced a co-responsibility levy to apply until the end of the 1984/85 milk year and covering, in principle, all milk supplied to dairies and certain sales of milk products at the farm;

Whereas this levy was designed to establish a better balance on the milk market by creating a more direct link between production and outlets for milk products while taking account of the importance of the interests of the public; whereas the information and forecasts currently available indicate that the aforesaid aims will probably not be reached at the end of the period provided for; whereas it is necessary on the one hand to extend the application of the said levy for the 1985/86 milk year and on the other hand to fix the rate of the levy at 2 % of the target price for milk; whereas provision should be made for application of the said rate from 1 April 1985, the date on which a reduction was made in the total quantities guaranteed under the arrangements for controlling milk production provided for in Article 5d of Regulation (EEC) No 804/68 (5), as last amended by Regulation (EEC) No 1298/85 (6),

HAS ADOPTED THIS REGULATION:

Article 1

Regulation (EEC) No 1079/77 is hereby amended as follows:

1. In Article 1 (1), 'during the 1980/81, 1981/82, 1982/83, 1983/84 and 1984/85 milk years' is replaced by 'during the 1980/81, 1981/82, 1982/83, 1983/84, 1984/85 and 1985/86 milk years'.

2. The following is added to Article 2:

   '7. As from 1 April 1985 and until the end of the 1985/86 milk year, the levy shall be 2 % of the target price for milk.'

Article 2

This Regulation shall enter into force on the day of its publication in the *Official Journal of the European Communities*.

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

Done at Brussels, 23 May 1985.

For the Council

The President

C. SIGNORILE

(1) OJ No C 67, 14. 3. 1985, p. 62.
(2) OJ No C 94, 15. 4. 1985.
(3) OJ No L 131, 26. 5. 1977, p. 6.
(4) OJ No L 115, 1. 5. 1984, p. 73.
(5) OJ No L 148, 28. 6. 1968, p. 13.
(6) See page 5 of this Official Journal.