COMMISSION REGULATION (EEC) No 3691/85

of 27 December 1985

fixing the import levies on products processed from cereals and rice

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 1018/84 (2), and in particular Article 14 (4) thereof,

Having regard to Council Regulation (EEC) No 1418/76 of 21 June 1976 on the common organization of the market in rice (3), as last amended by Regulation (EEC) No 1025/84 (4), and in particular Article 12 (4) thereof,

Having regard to the opinion of the Monetary Committee,

Whereas the rules to be applied in calculating the variable component of the import levy on products processed from cereals and rice are laid down in Article 14 (1) (A) of Regulation (EEC) No 2727/75 and Article 12 (1) (a) of Regulation (EEC) No 1418/76; whereas Article 2 of Council Regulation (EEC) No 2744/75 of 29 October 1975 on the import and export system for products processed from cereals and rice (5), as last amended by Regulation (EEC) No 1027/84 (6), provides that the incidence on the prime costs of these products of the levies applicable to their basic products should be calculated on the basis of the average of the levies applicable to these basic products for the first 25 days of the month preceding that of importation; whereas this average, adjusted on the basis of the threshold price valid for the basic products in question during the month of importation is calculated on the basis of the quantities of basic products considered to have been used in the manufacture of the processed product or the competing product which serves as a reference for processed products not containing cereals;

Whereas the 1985/86 marketing year for cereals other than durum wheat begins on 1 August 1985; whereas the Council has not, to date, adopted prices for these products for the 1985/86 marketing year; whereas the Commission, in compliance with the tasks entrusted to it by the Treaty, is obliged to adopt the precautionary measures essential to ensure continuity of operation of the common agricultural policy in the cereals sector;

Whereas, in order to ensure continuity of operation of the import arrangements for cereals, the prices set in Article 2 of Regulation (EEC) No 2124/85 (7), should be used for calculation of the levies on processed products; whereas these prices will be adjusted, beginning on 1 September 1985, by amounts equal to the montly increases fixed by Regulation (EEC) No 1020/84;

Whereas Commission Regulation (EEC) No 1579/74 of 24 June 1974 on the procedure for calculating the import levy on products processed from cereals and from rice and for the advance fixing of this levy for these products and for compound feedingstuffs manufactured from cereals (8), as last amended by Regulation (EEC) No 1740/78 (9), provides that the levy thus determined, increased by the fixed component is valid in general for one month but is altered where the levy applicable to the basic product concerned differs by not less than 3,02 ECU per tonne from the average of the levies calculated as described above;

Whereas in accordance with Article 5 of Regulation (EEC) No 2744/75 and Article 2 of Regulation (EEC) No 1579/74, the levy on certain processed products must be reduced by an amount equal to the production refund granted in respect of basic products for processing; whereas Regulation (EEC) No 1921/75 (10), as amended by Regulation (EEC) No 2415/75 (11), laid down certain transitional measures in respect of starches;

Whereas the fixed component of the levy is specified in Regulation (EEC) No 2744/75; whereas, in accordance with Regulation (EEC) No 2742/75 (12), as last amended by Regulation (EEC) No 1499/85 (13), the variable component of the levy on certain processed products must be reduced by the incidence of the production refund granted in respect of basic products intended for processing;

Whereas, in order that account may be taken of the interests of the African, Caribbean and Pacific States and of the overseas countries and territories, the levy relating to them in respect of certain products processed from cereals must be reduced by the amount of the fixed component and, in respect of some of these products, by part of the variable component; whereas this reduction must be made in accordance with Article 12 of Council Regulation (EEC) No 486/85 of 26 February 1985 on the arran-

(1) OJ No L 281, 1. 11. 1975, p. 1.
(2) OJ No L 107, 19. 4. 1984, p. 1.
(3) OJ No L 166, 25. 6. 1976, p. 1.
(4) OJ No L 107, 19. 4. 1984, p. 13.
(5) OJ No L 281, 1. 11. 1975, p. 65.
(6) OJ No L 107, 19. 4. 1984, p. 15.
(7) OJ No L 198, 30. 7. 1985, p. 31.
(8) OJ No L 168, 25. 6. 1974, p. 7.
(9) OJ No L 202, 26. 7. 1978, p. 8.
(10) OJ No L 195, 26. 7. 1975, p. 25.
(11) OJ No L 247, 23. 9. 1975, p. 22.
(12) OJ No L 281, 1. 11. 1975, p. 57.
(13) OJ No L 151, 10. 6. 1985, p. 24.

gements applicable to agricultural products and certain goods resulting from the processing of agricultural products originating in the African, Caribbean and Pacific States or in the overseas countries and territories (1), as amended by Regulation (EEC) No 2903/85 (2);

Whereas, in respect of products falling within subheading 07.06 A of the Common Customs Tariff, Council Regulation (EEC) No 604/83 of 14 March 1983 on the import system applicable in 1983 to 1986 to products falling within subheading 07.06 A of the Common Customs Tariff and amending Regulation (EEC) No 950/68 on the Common Customs Tariff (3) lays down the terms on which the import levy may be charged at 6 % *ad valorem* and provides for the Common Customs Tariff to be amended accordingly;

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 central rate, multiplied by the corrective factor provided for in the last paragraph of Article 3 (1) of Regulation (EEC) No 1676/85 (4),

— for other currencies, an exchange rate based on the arithmetic mean of the spot market rates of each of these currencies recorded over a given period in relation to the Community currencies referred to in the previous indent, and the aforesaid coefficient;

Whereas, in accordance with Article 18 (1) of Regulation (EEC) No 2727/75, the nomenclature provided for in this Regulation is incorporated in the Common Customs Tariff,

HAS ADOPTED THIS REGULATION:

Article 1

The import levies to be charged on the products listed in Article 1 (d) of Regulation (EEC) No 2727/75 and in Article 1 (1) (c) of Regulation (EEC) No 1418/76 and subject to Regulation (EEC) No 2744/75, shall be as set out in the Annex hereto.

Article 2

This Regulation shall enter into force on 1 January 1986.

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

Done at Brussels, 27 December 1985.

For the Commission
Frans ANDRIESSEN
Vice-President

(1) OJ No L 61, 1. 3. 1985, p. 4.
(2) OJ No L 279, 19. 10. 1985, p. 5.
(3) OJ No L 72, 18. 3. 1983, p. 3.
(4) OJ No L 164, 24. 6. 1985, p. 1.

ANNEX

to the Commission Regulation of 27 December 1985 fixing the import levies on products processed from cereals and rice

(ECU/tonne)

CCT heading No	Imports	
	Third countries (other than ACP or OCT)	ACP or OCT
07.06 A I	133,56 (1)	131,75 (1) (5)
07.06 A II	136,58 (1)	131,75 (1) (5)
11.01 C (2)	246,45	240,41
11.01 D (2)	211,24	205,20
11.01 E I (2)	200,73	194,69
11.01 E II (2)	113,34	110,32
11.01 F (2)	155,90	152,88
11.01 G (2)	125,69	122,67
11.02 A II (2)	210,79	204,75
11.02 A III (2)	246,45	240,41
11.02 A IV (2)	211,24	205,20
11.02 A V a) 1 (2)	165,79	159,75
11.02 A V a) 2 (2)	200,73	194,69
11.02 A V b) (2)	113,34	110,32
11.02 A VI (2)	155,90	152,88
11.02 A VII (2)	125,69	122,67
11.02 B I a) 1 (2)	216,72	213,70
11.02 B I a) 2 aa)	119,30	116,28
11.02 B I a) 2 bb) (2)	208,22	205,20
11.02 B I b) 1 (2)	216,72	213,70
11.02 B I b) 2 (2)	208,22	205,20
11.02 B II a) (2)	179,34	176,32
11.02 B II b) (2)	154,31	151,29
11.02 B II c) (2)	176,08	173,06
11.02 B II d) (2)	195,44	192,42
11.02 C I (2)	215,13	212,11
11.02 C II (2)	185,02	182,00
11.02 C III (2)	339,94	333,90
11.02 C IV (2)	185,42	182,40
11.02 C V (2)	176,08	173,06
11.02 C VI (2)	195,44	192,42
11.02 D I (2)	138,24	135,22
11.02 D II (2)	119,05	116,03
11.02 D III (2)	139,25	136,23
11.02 D IV (2)	119,30	116,28
11.02 D V (2)	113,34	110,32
11.02 D VI (2)	125,69	122,67
11.02 E I a) 1 (2)	139,25	136,23
11.02 E I a) 2 (2)	119,30	116,28
11.02 E I b) 1 (2)	273,16	267,12
11.02 E I b) 2 (2)	234,04	228,00
11.02 E II a) (2)	244,67	238,63
11.02 E II b) (2)	210,79	204,75
11.02 E II c) (2)	200,73	194,69
11.02 E II d) 1 (2)	265,65	259,61
11.02 E II d) 2 (2)	222,51	216,47
11.02 F I (2)	244,67	238,63
11.02 F II (2)	210,79	204,75
11.02 F III (2)	246,45	240,41
11.02 F IV (2)	211,24	205,20

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	Third countries (other than ACP or OCT)	ACP or OCT
11.02 F V (2)	200,73	194,69
11.02 F VI (2)	155,90	152,88
11.02 F VII (2)	125,69	122,67
11.02 G I	105,47	99,43
11.02 G II	87,16	81,12
11.04 C I	136,58	129,93 (5)
11.04 C II a)	163,44	139,26 (5)
11.04 C II b)	194,69	170,51 (5)
11.07 A I a)	246,85	235,97
11.07 A I b)	187,20	176,32
11.07 A II a)	248,62 (4)	237,74
11.07 A II b)	188,51	177,63
11.07 B	217,90 (4)	207,02
11.08 A I	163,44	142,89
11.08 A II	213,72	182,89
11.08 A III	251,07	230,52
11.08 A IV	163,44	142,89
11.08 A V	163,44	71,44 (5)
11.09	600,46	419,12
17.02 B II a) (3)	283,10	186,38
17.02 B II b) (3)	209,38	142,89
17.02 F II a)	291,97	195,25
17.02 F II b)	202,28	135,79
21.07 F II	209,38	142,89
23.02 A I a)	58,40	52,40
23.02 A I b)	118,29	112,29
23.02 A II a)	58,40	52,40
23.02 A II b)	118,29	112,29
23.03 A I	358,84	177,50

(1) This levy is limited to 6 % of the value for customs purposes, subject to certain conditions.

(2) For the purpose of distinguishing between products falling within heading Nos 11.01 and 11.02 and those falling within subheading 23.02 A, products falling within heading Nos 11.01 and 11.02 shall be those meeting the following specifications :

— a starch content (determined by the modified Ewers polarimetric method), referred to dry matter, exceeding 45 % by weight,

— an ash content, by weight, referred to dry matter (after deduction of any added minerals), not exceeding 1,6 % for rice, 2,5 % for wheat, 3 % for barley, 4 % for buckwheat, 5 % for oats and 2 % for other cereals.

Germ of cereals, whole, rolled, flaked or ground, falls in all cases within heading No 11.02.

(3) Pursuant to Regulation (EEC) No 2730/75 the product falling within subheading 17.02 B I is subject to the same levy as products falling within subheading 17.02 B II.

(4) In accordance with Regulation (EEC) No 1180/77 this levy is reduced by 5,44 ECU/tonne for products originating in Turkey.

(5) In accordance with Regulation (EEC) No 486/85 the levy shall not be charged on the following products originating in the African, Caribbean and Pacific States and in the overseas countries and territories :

— arrowroot falling within subheading 07.06 A,

— flours and meal of arrowroot falling within subheading 11.04 C,

— arrowroot starch falling within subheading 11.08 A V.