COMMISSION REGULATION (EEC) No 1704/86
of 30 May 1986
fixing the export refunds on fruit and vegetables

THE COMMISSION OF THE EUROPEAN COMMUNITIES,

Having regard to the Treaty establishing the European Economic Community,

Having regard to the Act of Accession of Spain and Portugal,

Having regard to Council Regulation (EEC) No 1035/72 of 18 May 1972 on the common organization of the market in fruit and vegetables (1), as last amended by Regulation (EEC) No 1351/86 (2), and in particular Article 30 (4) thereof,

Having regard to the opinion of the Monetary Committee,

Whereas Article 30 of Regulation (EEC) No 1035/72 provides that, to the extent necessary to allow economically significant quantities to be exported, the difference between prices in international trade for the products referred to in that Article and prices for the products within the Community may be covered by an export refund;

Whereas Article 2 of Council Regulation (EEC) No 2518/69 of 9 December 1969 laying down general rules for the granting of refunds on exports of fruit and vegetables and criteria for fixing their amounts (3), as amended by Regulation (EEC) No 2455/72 (4), provides that when refunds are being fixed, account must be taken of the existing situation and future trends with regard to prices and availabilities of fruit and vegetables on the Community market on the one hand and prices in international trade on the other; whereas account must also be taken of the costs indicated in (b) of that Article and of the economic aspects of the proposed exports;

Whereas, pursuant to Article 3 of Regulation (EEC) No 2518/69, when prices on the Community market are being determined account must be taken of the prices which are most favourable from the exportation point of view; whereas, when prices in international trade are being determined, the quotations and prices referred to in paragraph 2 of that Article must be taken into account;

Whereas the situation with regard to international trade or the specific requirements of certain markets may make it necessary to vary the refund for a given product according to the destination of that product;

Whereas tomatoes, sweet fresh oranges, fresh lemons, apples and peaches of the common quality standards 'Extra' Class, Class I and Class II. 'Extra' Class and Class I hothouse grapes and open ground grapes, almonds and hazelnuts, and unshelled walnuts may at present be exported in economically significant quantities;

Whereas, if the refund system is to operate normally, refunds 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 coefficient provided for in Article 6 of Regulation (EEC) No 1577/85 (5),

— 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 it follows from applying these detailed rules to the present market situation and to its future trends, and in particular to quotations and prices for fruit and vegetables in the Community and in international trade that the refunds should be as set out in the Annex hereto;

Whereas the obligations under Article 10 (1) (b) of Commission Regulation (EEC) No 2730/79 of 29 November 1979 laying down common detailed rules for the application of the system of export refunds on agricultural products (6), last amended by Regulation (EEC) No 568/85 (7), may be relaxed in the case of exports to non-member countries outside Europe; whereas, in such a case, Article 23 (1) (c) of Regulation (EEC) No 2730/79 may be applied;

Whereas, for Spain and Portugal, the Act of Accession introduce transitional measures by phases and stages respectively; whereas, in particular as regards the arrangements applicable to exports to Spain from the Community as constituted at 31 December 1985, Article 141 provides that, during the first phase, the Community is not in principle to grant export refunds; whereas, pursuant to Article 146, the Kingdom of Spain is to be a

(1) OJ No L 118, 20. 5. 1972, p. 1.
(2) OJ No L 119, 8. 5. 1986, p. 45.
(3) OJ No L 318, 18. 12. 1969, p. 17.
(4) OJ No L 266, 25. 11. 1972, p. 7.
(5) OJ No L 164, 24. 6. 1985, p. 6.
(6) OJ No L 317, 12. 12. 1979, p. 1.
(7) OJ No L 65, 6. 3. 1985, p. 5.

authorized to maintain, during the first phase, for exports to third countries, the arrangements in force before its accession for such trade, including any export aid or subsidies; whereas Article 275 provides for a special procedure for the grant of refunds on exports to Portugal from the Community as constituted at 31 December 1985; whereas, pursuant to Article 283, the Portugueuse Republic is to be authorized to maintain, during the first stage, for exports to third countries, the arrangements in force before its accession for such trade, including any export aid or subsidies; whereas, under those circumstances, refunds for such exports should not be provided for in this Regulation;

Whereas the relevant management committees have not delivered opinions within the time limits set by their chairmen,

HAS ADOPTED THIS REGULATION:

Article 1

1. The export refunds on fruit and vegetables shall be as set out in the Annex hereto.

2. The provisions of Articles 10 (1) (b) and 23 (1) (c) of Regulation (EEC) No 2730/79 shall apply to export of sweet oranges, lemons, open ground table grapes, walnuts in shell, shelled hazelnuts and apples as set out in the Annex hereto.

Article 2

This Regulation shall enter into force on 1 June 1986.

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

Done at 30 May 1986.

For the Commission

Frans ANDRIESSEN

Vice-President

ANNEX

to the Commission Regulation of 30 May 1986 fixing the export refunds on fruit and vegetables

(ECU kg net)

CCT heading No	Description	Refund (2)
ex 07.01 M	Tomatoes ('Extra' Class, Class I and Class II)	4,50
ex 08.02 A I	Sweet fresh oranges:	
	For export of varieties Biondo comune and Sanguigno comune ('Extra' Class, Class I and Class II) to:	
	— Countries or States with a planned economy in central or eastern Europe and Yugoslavia	8,00
	— Other destinations	5,32
	For export of other varieties ('Extra' Class, Class I and Class II) to:	
	— Countries or States with a planned economy in central or eastern Europe and Yugoslavia	14,50
	— Other destinations	9,67

(ECU kg net)

CCT heading No	Description	Refund (2)
ex 08.02 C	Fresh lemons ('Extra' Class, Class I and Class II)	
	For export to :	
	— Countries or States with a planned economy in central or eastern Europe and Yugoslavia	12,00
	— Other destinations	8,00
ex 08.04 A I	Table grapes :	
	— Fresh, open ground ('Extra' Class and Class I)	4,84
	— Fresh, hothouse ('Extra' Class and Class I)	19,34
ex 08.05 A II	Shelled almonds, other than bitter almonds	9,67
ex 08.05 B	Unshelled walnuts	14,00
ex 08.05 G	Unshelled hazelnuts	7,50
ex 08.05 G	Shelled hazelnuts	14,51
ex 08.06 A II	Apples ('Extra' Class, Class I and Class II) other than cider apples :	
	For export to :	
	— Botswana, Lesotho, Swaziland, Zambia, Malawi, Mozambique, Tanzania, Kenya, Rwanda, Burundi, Uganda, Somalia, Madagascar, Comoros, Mauritius, Sudan, Ethiopia, Jibuti, the countries of the Arabian peninsula (1), Iran, Iraq and Jordan	12,00
	— Countries and territories of Africa other than those mentioned above and South Africa, Syria, countries with a planned economy in central and eastern Europe, Yugoslavia, Bolivia, Brazil, Venezuela, Peru, Panama, Ecuador, Colombia, Iceland, Norway, Sweden, Austria, the Faroe Islands, Finland and Greenland	4,00
ex 08.07 B	Peaches (other than nectarines) in categories Extra,I and II :	
	— originating in Greece :	
	— for export to countries or States with a planned economy in central or eastern Europe, Yugoslavia and the countries of the Arabian peninsula (1)	5,00
	— for export to all other destinations other than Switzerland and Austria	3,32
	— originating in other Member States for export to all destinations other than Switzerland and Austria	5,00

(1) For the purpose of this Regulation the 'countries of the Arabian peninsula' are considered to be the following, including the territories attached thereto : Saudi Arabia, Bahrain, Qatar, Kuwait, the Sultanate of Oman, United Arab Emirates (Abu Dhabi, Dubai, Sharjah, Ajman, Umm al Qawain, Fujairah, Ras Al Khaimah), Yemen Arab Republic (North Yemen) and the People's Democratic Republic of Yemen (South Yemen).

(2) The refunds fixed in this Regulation shall not apply to exports :

— to Spain and Portugal from the Community as constituted at 31 December 1985,

— to third countries from Spain and Portugal.