COMMISSION REGULATION (EEC) No 656/86

of 28 February 1986

concerning the fixing, for the period 1 March to 31 December 1986, of the withdrawal and selling prices for certain fishery products and amending Regulation (EEC) No 3693/85 as regards the withdrawal prices for Atlantic sardines and anchovies

THE COMMISSION OF THE EUROPEAN COMMUNITIES,

Having regard to the Treaty establishing the European Economic Community,

Having regard to Council Regulation (EEC) No 3796/81 of 29 December 1981 on the common organization of the market in fishery products (1), as last amended by the Act of Accession of Spain and Portugal, and in particular Article 12 (3) thereof,

Whereas Article 12 (1) of Regulation (EEC) No 3796/81 provides that the Community withdrawal and selling prices for each of the products listed in Annex I (A) and (E) are to be fixed by applying the conversion factor for the product category concerned to an amount equal to at least 70 % but not more than 90 % of the relevant guide price ;

Whereas the guide prices for the fishing year from 1 March to 31 December 1986 were fixed for the products included by the Act of Accession in the price system provided for in Regulation (EEC) No 3796/81 and were adjusted for Atlantic sardines and anchovies by Council Regulation (EEC) No 503/86 (2) ; whereas it is therefore necessary to adjust the withdrawal prices for Atlantic sardines and anchovies in the light of the adjusted guide prices from which they are derived ;

Whereas, with regard to sardines, special conditions have been adopted in the Act of Accession in order to ensure a progressive alignment of prices of sardines from the Atlantic on price levels of sardines from the Mediterranean ; whereas the production structure and access to the market of Atlantic sardines are different to that for Mediterranean sardines and meet the special needs of the processing industry ; whereas, with a view to the smooth application of the alignment of prices which does not artificially disturb market supply conditions, it is necessary to fix a special adaptation coefficient for size 3 of this product in the landing areas concerned in Spain and Portugal ;

Whereas, with regard to monkfish, Norway lobster and crab, the statistical data available during the accession negotiations did not permit a clear appreciation of the differences between the prices ruling on the markets in the different regions of the Community ; whereas it appears that the substantial price differences established since then for these species are basically explained by the absence, until now, of a Community price system favouring their unity within the Community ; whereas, in these particular circumstances, it is necessary to fix adjustment coefficients for these species which allow for the smooth application of the price system set out within the Act of Accession, by a progressive alignment of them under favourable conditions which guarantee market access to the producers in these regions ;

Whereas the measures provided for in this Regulation are in accordance with the opinion of the Management Committee for Fishery Products,

HAS ADOPTED THIS REGULATION :

Article 1

The percentages of the guide price referred to in Article 12 (1) of Regulation (EEC) No 3796/81 which are used as a basis for calculating the Community withdrawal and selling prices shall be as shown in Annex I for the products included in the price system by the Act of Accession.

Article 2

The conversion factors referred to in Article 12 (1) of Regulation (EEC) No 3796/81 which are used for calculating the Community withdrawal and selling prices for the products included in the price system by the Act of Accession shall be as shown in Annex II.

Article 3

1. The Community withdrawal and selling prices as referred to in Article 12 (1) of Regulation (EEC) No 3796/81 applicable for the period 1 March to 31 December 1986 for the products included in the price system by the Act of Accession shall be as shown in Annex III.

2. The withdrawal prices for Atlantic sardines and anchovies fixed for the 1986 fishing year by Commission Regulation (EEC) No 3693/85 (3) are hereby adjusted as shown in Annex III.

(1) OJ No L 379, 31. 12. 1981, p. 1.
(2) OJ No L 54, 1. 3. 1986, p. 52.
(3) OJ No L 351, 28. 12. 1985, p. 35.

Article 4

The withdrawal and selling prices, as referred to in Article 12 (2) of Regulation (EEC) No 3796/81 and applicable for the period 1 March to 31 December 1986 in the landing areas which are very distant from the main centres of consumption in the Community, and the products to which those prices relate, shall be as shown in Annex IV.

Article 5

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

It shall apply with effect from 1 March 1986.

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

Done at Brussels, 28 February 1986.

For the Commission

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ANNEX I

Percentage of guide price used in calculating withdrawal or sale prices

Product	%
Spanish mackerel	85
Megrim	80
Rays' bream	80
Monkfish	85
Edible crabs	90
Norway lobster	90

ANNEX II

Conversion factor of certain products listed in Annex I (A) and (E) to Regulation (EEC) No 3796/81

Species	Size(1)	Conversion			
		gutted fish with head(1)		whole fish (1)	
		Extra, A (1)	B (1)	Extra, A (1)	B (1)
Spanish mackerel	1	0,00	0,00	0,85	0,85
	2	0,00	0,00	0,85	0,75
	3	0,00	0,00	0,85	0,70
Megrim	1	0,85	0,65	0,80	0,60
	2	0,75	0,55	0,70	0,50
	3	0,70	0,50	0,65	0,45
	4	0,45	0,25	0,40	0,20
Rays' bream	1	0,85	0,65	0,80	0,60
	2	0,60	0,40	0,55	0,35
		whole fish or gutted with head (1)		fish without head (1)	
		Extra, A (1)	B (1)	Extra, A (1)	B (1)
Monkfish	1	0,72	0,52	0,90	0,70
	2	0,92	0,72	0,85	0,65
	3	0,92	0,72	0,80	0,60
	4	0,77	0,57	0,70	0,50
	5	0,44	0,24	0,50	0,30
		Whole (1)			
Edible crabs	1	0,80			
	2	0,60			
		Whole (1)		Tails (1)	
		Extra, A (1)	B (1)	Extra, A (1)	B (1)
Norway lobster	1	0,90	0,65	0,85	0,57
	2	0,63	0,38	0,60	0,38
	3	0,53	0,21	0,35	0,19
	4	0,00	0,00	0,26	0,09

(1) The freshness categories, sizes and presentations are those defined pursuant to Article 2 of Regulations (EEC) No 3796/81.

ANNEX III

Withdrawal or sale price in the Community of certain products listed in Annex I (A) and (E) to Regulation (EEC) No 3796/81

Species	Size(1)	Withdrawal price (ECU/tonne)			
		Gutted fish with head (1)		Whole fish (1)	
		Extra, A (1)	B (1)	Extra, A (1)	B (1)
Sardines :	1	0	0	246	157
(a) Member States other than Spain and Portugal	2	0	0	246	157
	3	0	0	381	157
	4	0	0	246	157
(b) Spain and Portugal	1	0	0	156	99
	2	0	0	156	99
	3	0	0	241	99
	4	0	0	156	99
Spanish Mackerel	1	0	0	204	204
	2	0	0	204	180
	3	0	0	204	168
Anchovies :	1	0	0	381	245
(a) Member States other than Spain	2	0	0	463	245
	3	0	0	381	245
	4	0	0	158	158
(b) Spain	1	0	0	686	441
	2	0	0	833	441
	3	0	0	686	441
	4	0	0	284	284
Megrim	1	1 258	962	1 184	888
	2	1 110	814	1 036	740
	3	1 036	740	962	666
	4	666	370	592	296
Rays' bream	1	1 020	780	960	720
	2	720	480	660	420
		Whole or gutted with head (1)		Fish without head (1)	
		Extra, A (1)	B (1)	Extra, A (1)	B (1)
Monkfish	1	1 285	928	3 856	2 999
	2	1 642	1 285	3 641	2 785
	3	1 642	1 285	3 427	2 570
	4	1 374	1 017	2 999	2 142
	5	785	428	2 142	1 285
		Sale price (ECU/tonne)			
		Whole fish (1)			
Edible crabs	1	1 080			
	2	810			
		Whole fish (1)		Tails (1)	
		Extra, A (1)	B (1)	Extra, A (1)	B (1)
Norway lobster	1	3 564	2 574	8 109	5 438
	2	2 495	1 505	5 724	3 625
	3	2 099	832	3 339	1 813
	4	0	0	2 480	859

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ANNEX IV

Species	Landing area	Conversion factor	Size(1)	Withdrawal prices (ECU/tonne)			
				Gutted fish with head (1)		Whole fish (1)	
				Extra, A (1)	B (1)	Extra, A (1)	B (1)
Sardines from the Atlantic	Coastal areas and islands of the counties of Cornwall and Devon in the United Kingdom	0,52	1 2 3 4	0 0 0 0	0 0 0 0	128 128 198 128	82 82 82 82
	Coastal areas of the Atlantic of Spain and Portugal	0,65	3	0	0	157	64

				Whole or gutted fish with head (1)	
				Extra, A (1)	B (1)
Monkfish	Coastal areas and islands of Ireland and the United Kingdom	0,85 0,79 0,80	2 3 4	1 396 1 297 1 099	1 092 1 015 814

				Sale prices (ECU/tonne)	
				Whole (1)	
				Extra, A (1)	B (1)
Norway lobster	Coastal areas and islands of Ireland and the United Kingdom	0,89 0,78 0,45	1 2 3	3 172 1 946 945	2 291 1 174 374
Edible crabs	Coastal areas and islands of Ireland and the United Kingdom	0,67 0,65	1 2	724 527	

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