COMMISSION REGULATION (EEC) No 193/90

of 25 January 1990

introducing a countervailing charge on cabbage lettuces originating in the United States of America

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 1119/89 (2), and in particular the second subpargraph of Article 27 (2) thereof,

Whereas Article 25a (1) of Regulation (EEC) No 1035/72 provides that, if the entry price of a product imported from a non-member country is alternatively above and below the reference price for five to seven consecutive market days a countervailing charge is introduced in respect of that non-member country, save in exceptional cases; whereas that charge is introduced when three entry prices fall below the reference price and one of those entry prices is at least ECU 0,6 below the reference price; whereas that charge is equal to the difference between the reference price and the last available entry price by at least ECU 0,6 below the reference price;

Whereas Commission Regulation (EEC) No 3103/89 of 16 October 1989 fixing for the 1989/90 marketing year the reference prices for cabbage lettuces (3) fixed the reference price for products of class I at ECU 75,60 per 100 kilograms net for the months of January and February 1990;

Whereas the entry price for a given exporting country is equal to the lowest representative prices recorded for at least 30 % of the quantities from the exporting country concerned which are marketed on all representative markets for which prices are available less the duties and the charges indicated in Article 24 (3) of Regulation (EEC) No 1035/72; whereas the meaning of representative price is defined in Article 24 (2) of Regulation (EEC) No 1035/72;

Whereas, in accordance with Article 3 (1) of Commission Regulation (EEC) No 2118/74 (4), as last amended by Regulation (EEC) No 3811/85 (5), the prices to be taken into consideration must be recorded on the representative markets or, in certain circumstances, on other markets;

Whereas for cabbage lettuces originating in the United States of America the entry prices calculated in this way have for seven consecutive market days been alternatively above and below the reference price; whereas three of these entry prices are at least ECU 0,6 below the reference prices; whereas a countervailing charge should therefore be introduced for these cabbage lettuces;

Whereas, if the system is to operate normally, the entry price 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 Council Regulation (EEC) No 1676/85 (6), as last amended by Regulation (EEC) No 1636/87 (7),

— 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,

HAS ADOPTED THIS REGULATION:

Article 1

A countervailing charge of ECU 4,49 per 100 kilograms net is applied to cabbage lettuces (CN code 0705 11 10) originating in the United States of America.

Article 2

This Regulation shall enter into force on 27 January 1990.

Subject to the provisions of the second subparagraph of Article 26 (2) of Regulation (EEC) No 1035/72, this Regulation shall be applicable until 1 February 1990.

(1) OJ No L 118, 20. 5. 1972, p. 1.
(2) OJ No L 118, 29. 4. 1989, p. 12.
(3) OJ No L 298, 17. 10. 1989, p. 8.
(4) OJ No L 220, 10. 8. 1974, p. 20.
(5) OJ No L 368, 31. 12. 1985, p. 1.
(6) OJ No L 164, 24. 6. 1985, p. 1.
(7) OJ No L 153, 13. 6. 1987, p. 1.

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

Done at Brussels, 25 January 1990.

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