COMMISSION REGULATION (EEC) No 1688/92

of 29 June 1992

fixing countervailing charges on seeds

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 2358/71 of 26 October 1971 on the common organization of the market in seeds [1], as last amended by Regulation (EEC) No 1740/91 [2], and in particular Article 6 (5) thereof,

Whereas Article 6 (3) of Regulation (EEC) No 2358/71 provides that where the free-at-frontier offer price, plus customs duties, for a type of hybrid maize and hybrid sorgum for sowing and coming from a non-member country, is lower than the corresponding reference price, a countervailing charge on hybrid maize and hybrid sorghum shall be levied on imports of the hybrid from that country, subject to obligations resulting from binding under GATT; whereas the countervailing charge is equal to the difference between the reference price and the free-at-frontier price plus customs duties;

Whereas the reference prices for the 1992/1993 marketing year for hybrid maize and hybrid sorgum for sowing were fixed in Commission Regulation (EEC) No 1655/92 [3];

Whereas the free-at-frontier offer prices for each country of provenance are determined using all available relevant information; whereas such relevant information is defined in Article 1 (1), (2) and (3) of Commission Regulation (EEC) No 1665/72 [4], amended by Regulation (EEC) No 2811/86 [5]; whereas Article 3 of the same Regulation provides that the free-at-frontier offer prices for each country of provenance shall be determined from the most favourable purchasing opportunities for the products in question calculated in accordance with Articles 1 and 2 of the Regulation; whereas information on offers which have no economic effect on the market in particular because of the insignificant quantities for which they are made are to be disregarded for the purpose of calculating these prices;

Whereas, pursuant to Article 2 of Regulation (EEC) No 1665/72, an adjustment must be made in the case of price information relating to a stage other than free-at-Community-frontier; whereas, pursuant to Article 4 (2) of that Regulation, the countervailing charge must be amended where a significant variation in the free-at-frontier offer price is recorded;

Whereas, as a result of the application of the aforementioned provisions to the information currently available to the Commission, the countervailing charge in respect of certain types of hybrid is to be fixed at the amounts indicated in the Annex to this Regulation;

Whereas, consequently, Commission Regulation (EEC) No 1902/91 [6], as last amended by Regulation (EEC) No 813/92 [7], which fixed the countervailing charges for the preceding period, should be repealed;

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

HAS ADOPTED THIS REGULATION:

Article 1

The countervailing charges on seeds are fixed as shown in the Annexes hereto.

Article 2

Regulation (EEC) No 813/92 is hereby repealed.

Article 3

This Regulation shall enter into force on 1 July 1992.

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

Done at Brussels, 29 June 1992.

For the Commission

Ray MAC SHARRY

Member of the Commission

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[1] OJ No L 246, 5. 11. 1971, p. 1.
[2] OJ No L 163, 26. 6. 1991, p. 39.
[3] OJ No L 172, 27. 6. 1992, p. 49.
[4] OJ No L 175, 2. 8. 1972, p. 49.
[5] OJ No L 260, 12. 9. 1986, p. 8.
[6] OJ No L 169, 29. 6. 1991, p. 38.
[7] OJ No L 86, 1. 4. 1992, p. 76.

ANNEX I

Countervailing charge on hybrid maize for sowing

(ECU/100 kg)

CN code	Amount of countervailing charge (1)	Country of origin (2)
1005 10 11	1,8	512
	4,3	064
	13,8	404
	25,2	066
	34,9	068
	37,2	056
	37,2	1
1005 10 13	3,2	048
	7,1	064
	8,6	528
	16,5	066
	21,7	062
	27,1	068
	41,8	388
	41,8	2
1005 10 15	11,1	400
	24,2	066
	29,4	048
	32,1	404
	37,2	052
	37,3	038
	48,4	512
	53,0	346
	76,1	064
	78,28	388
	116,3	528
	116,3	3

(1) The countervailing charge may not exceed 4 % of the customs value. In the case of Spain it may not exceed the rate obtained by alignment on the Common Customs Tariff in accordance with the timetable specified in the Act of Accession.

(2) Origin identification :

1 Other countries with the exception of Austria, Argentina, the United States and Bosnia-Herzegovina, Croatia, Slovenia and the Yugoslav Republics of Serbia, Montenegro and Macedonia
2 Other countries with the exception of Japan, Austria, Turkey, Chile, the United States and Canada
3 Other countries with the exception of Bulgaria and New Zealand
038 Austria
048 Bosnia-Herzegovina, Croatia, Slovenia and the Yugoslav Republics of Serbia, Montenegro and Macedonia
052 Turkey
062 The Czech and Slovak Federal Republic
064 Hungary
066 Romania
068 Bulgaria
346 Kenya
388 South Africa
400 the United States
404 Canada
512 Chile
528 Argentina
056 Armenia, Azerbaijan, Belarus, Georgia, Kazakhstan, Kirghizstan, Moldova, Tajikistan, Turkmenistan, Ukraine, Uzbekistan
053 Estonia
054 Latvia
055 Lithuania

ANNEX II

Countervailing charge on hybrid sorghum for sowing

(ECU/100 kg)

CN code	Amount of countervailing charge	Country of origin (1)
1007 00 10	19,7	064
	9,2	400

(1) Origin identification :
064 Hungary
400 United States of America