COMMISSION REGULATION (EEC) No 3898/92

of 23 December 1992

fixing the compensatory allowance for Mediterranean sardines of the species *Sardina pilchardus*

THE COMMISSION OF THE EUROPEAN COMMUNITIES,

Having regard to the Treaty establishing the European Economic Community,

Having regard to Council Regulation (EEC) No 3117/85 of 4 November 1985 laying down general rules on the granting of compensatory indemnities in respect of sardines of the species *Sardina pilchardus* (1), as amended by Regulation (EEC) No 3940/87 (2), and in particular Article 4 thereof,

Whereas Article 3 (1) of Regulation (EEC) No 3117/85 lays down that the granting of the compensatory allowance is to be limited to sardines of the species *Sardina pilchardus* of the Mediterranean of sizes 3 and 4 and freshness categories E and A, as defined in Council Regulation (EEC) No 103/76 of 19 January 1976 laying down common marketing standards for certain fresh or chilled products (3), as last amended by Regulation (EEC) No 33/89 (4);

Whereas Article 3 (3) of Regulation (EEC) No 3117/85 lays down that the allowance is to be equal to the difference between the withdrawal price for sardines of the species *Sardina pilchardus* of the Atlantic of the size in question, applicable in the Community as constituted at 31 December 1985, and the withdrawal price for Atlantic sardines of the species *Sardina pilchardus* of size 2 applicable in the new Member States;

Whereas the withdrawal prices for the 1993 fishing year were fixed for the products in question by Commission Regulation (EEC) No 3892/92 (5);

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 compensatory allowance granted for sardines of the species *Sardina pilchardus* of the Mediterranean as provided for in Article 3 of Regulation (EEC) No 3117/85, shall be as follows for the 1993 fishing year:

— sardines, size 3 (E, A): ECU 138/tonne,

— sardines, size 4 (E, A): ECU 19/tonne.

Article 2

This Regulation shall enter into force on 1 January 1993.

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

Done at Brussels, 23 December 1992.

For the Commission

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Vice-President

(1) OJ No L 297, 9. 11. 1985, p. 1.
(2) OJ No L 373, 31. 12. 1987, p. 6.
(3) OJ No L 20, 28. 1. 1976, p. 29.
(4) OJ No L 5, 7. 1. 1989, p. 18.

(5) See page 1 of this Official Journal.