COMMISSION REGULATION (EC) No 298/96

of 16 February 1996

amending Regulation (EEC) No 920/89 laying down quality standards for carrots, citrus fruit and dessert apples and pears as regards the list of apple varieties and repealing in part Regulation (EC) No 3064/94 as regards the varieties of typically Swedish apples

THE COMMISSION OF THE EUROPEAN COMMUNITIES,

Having regard to the Treaty establishing the European Community,

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 Commission Regulation (EC) No 1363/95 [2], and in particular Article 2 (2) thereof,

Whereas Annex III to Commission Regulation (EEC) No 920/89 [3], as last amended by Regulation (EEC) No 2611/93 [4], lays down quality standards for dessert apples and pears;

Whereas the varieties of typically Swedish apples, Alice, Aroma and Kim, are considered as varieties of mixed red colouring within the meaning of Table 1, Group B of the said Annex; whereas that provision was laid down by Article 2 of Commission Regulation (EC) No 3064/94 [5] for a transitional period expiring on 1 January 1997;

Whereas, in response to a recent request from the Swedish authorities, the Aroma variety should be considered as a striped variety, slightly coloured and the Aroma amorosa variety as a variety of mixed red colouring; whereas, therefore, the varieties of Swedish apples should be permanently entered in Table 1 of Annex III to Regulation (EEC) No 920/89;

Whereas Article 2 of Regulation (EC) No 3064/94 should be deleted to avoid any contradiction with the provisions of this Regulation;

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

HAS ADOPTED THIS REGULATION:

Article 1

Annex III to Regulation (EEC) No 920/89 is hereby amended as follows:

In Table 1 'Colouring criteria for apples',

— in Group B 'Varieties of mixed red colouring':

(a) after '— Akane (Prime Rouge, Tohoku 3)', insert the following two indents:

'— Alice,'

'— Aroma amorosa,';

(b) after '— Katy', insert the following indent:

'— Kim,';

— in Group C 'Striped varieties, slightly coloured', the following indent is added after '— Arlet,':

'— Aroma,'.

Article 2

Article 2 of Regulation (EC) No 3064/94 is hereby deleted.

Article 3

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

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

Done at Brussels, 16 February 1996.

For the Commission

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Member of the Commission

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[1] OJ No L 118, 20. 5. 1972, p. 1.
[2] OJ No L 132, 16. 6. 1995, p. 8.
[3] OJ No L 97, 11. 4. 1989, p. 19.
[4] OJ No L 239, 24. 9. 1993, p. 17.
[5] OJ No L 323, 16. 12. 1994, p. 23.