COMMISSION REGULATION (EC) No 131/97

of 24 January 1997

determining the extent to which applications lodged in January 1997 for import licences for certain pigmeat products under the regime provided for by the Agreements concluded by the Community with Bulgaria and Romania can be accepted

THE COMMISSION OF THE EUROPEAN COMMUNITIES,

Having regard to the Treaty establishing the European Community,

Having regard to Commission Regulation (EC) No 1590/94 of 30 June 1994 laying down detailed rules for the application in the pigmeat sector of the arrangements provided for in the Interim Agreement between the Community and Bulgaria and Romania [1], as last amended by Regulation (EC) No 2502/96 [2], and in particular Article 4 (4) thereof,

Whereas the applications for import licences lodged for the first quarter of 1997 are for quantities less than the quantities available and can therefore be met in full;

Whereas the surplus to be added to the quantity available for the following period should be determined;

Whereas it is appropriate to draw the attention of operators to the fact that licences may only be used for products which comply with all veterinary rules currently in force in the Community,

HAS ADOPTED THIS REGULATION:

Article 1

1. Applications for import licences for the period 1 January to 31 March 1997 submitted pursuant to Regulation (EC) No 1590/94 shall be met as referred to in Annex I.

2. During the first 10 days of the period 1 April to 30 June 1997 applications may be lodged pursuant to Regulation (EC) No 1590/94 for import licences for a total quantity as referred to in Annex II of this Regulation.

3. Licences may only be used for products which comply with all veterinary rules currently in force in the Community.

Article 2

This Regulation shall enter into force on 25 January 1997.

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

Done at Brussels, 24 January 1997.

For the Commission

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Member of the Commission

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[1] OJ No L 167, 1. 7. 1994, p. 16.
[2] OJ No L 338, 28. 12. 1996, p. 71.

ANNEX I

Group No	Percentage of acceptance of import licences submitted for the period 1 January to 31 March 1997
14	100,00
15	100,00
16	100,00
17	100,00

ANNEX II

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Group No	Total quantity available for the period 1 April to 30 June 1997
14	115,00
15	510,00
16	993,87
17	7 235,00