COMMISSION REGULATION (EC) No 1981/97

of 10 October 1997

on the issuing of import licences for bananas under the tariff quota for the fourth quarter of 1997 (second period)

(Text with EEA relevance)

THE COMMISSION OF THE EUROPEAN COMMUNITIES,

Having regard to the Treaty establishing the European Community,

Having regard to Council Regulation (EEC) No 404/93 of 13 February 1993 on the common organization of the market in bananas [1], as last amended by Regulation (EC) No 3290/94 [2],

Having regard to Commission Regulation (EEC) No 1442/93 of 10 June 1993 laying down detailed rules for the application of the arrangements for importing bananas into the Community [3], as last amended by Regulation (EC) No 1409/96 [4], and in particular Article 9 (3) thereof,

Having regard to Commission Regulation (EC) No 478/95 of 1 March 1995 on additional rules for the application of Regulation (EEC) No 404/93 as regards the tariff quota arrangements for imports of bananas into the Community and amending Regulation (EEC) No 1442/93 [5], as amended by Regulation (EC) No 702/95 [6], and in particular Article 4 (3) thereof,

Having regard to Commission Regulation (EC) No 1814/97 of 19 September 1997 on the issuing of import licences for bananas under the tariff quota for the fourth quarter of 1997 and on the submission of new applications [7], and in particular Article 3 thereof,

Whereas Regulation (EC) No 1814/97 fixes the quantities available for the fourth quarter of 1997 under the second period for the submission of applications provided for in Article 4 of Regulation (EC) No 478/95; whereas, under that Regulation, import licences are to be issued to category B operators who have submitted applications within the time limit laid down for the quantities available, where applicable at the end of the second period, for imports of bananas originating in Costa Rica, Colombia and Nicaragua under categories A and C;

Whereas Article 9 (3) of Regulation (EEC) No 1442/93 states that, where the quantities covered by import licence applications from one or more of the categories of operators for a given quarter and origin (country or group of countries referred to in Annex I to Regulation (EC) No 478/95) exceed the quantity available, a reduction percentage is to be applied to applications quoting that origin;

Whereas, as regards Colombia and Costa Rica, the abovementioned provisions of Article 3 of Regulation (EC) No 1814/97 should be applied and the quantities for which licences may be issued to category B operators should be determined;

Whereas, on the basis of applications submitted during the second period, the quantities for which licences may be issued for the origins concerned should be determined forthwith;

Whereas this Regulation must apply immediately so licences can be issued as quickly as possible,

HAS ADOPTED THIS REGULATION:

Article 1

Import licences shall be issued under the tariff quota for imports of bananas during the fourth quarter of 1997 (second period) in respect of new applications as referred to in Article 4 (1) of Regulation (EC) No 478/95 and those referred to in Article 3 of Regulation (EC) No 1814/97:

1. For the quantity set out in the licence application:

   (a) multiplied, in respect of the origin 'Colombia', by the reduction coefficient 0,6156 in the case of applications from operators in category B, including applications for up to 150 tonnes;

   (b) multiplied, in respect of the origin 'Costa Rica', by the reduction coefficient 0,9731 in the case of applications from operators in category B, including applications for up to 150 tonnes;

   (c) multiplied, in respect of the origin 'Cameroon', by the reduction coefficient 0,9998 in the case of applications from all categories of operators, including applications for up to 150 tonnes;

   (d) multiplied, in respect of the origin 'Côte d'Ivoire', by the reduction coefficient 0,3591 in the case of applications from all categories of operators, including applications for up to 150 tonnes.

2. For the quantity set out in the licence application in respect of origins other than those mentioned in point 1.

[1] OJ L 47, 25. 2. 1993, p. 1.
[2] OJ L 349, 31. 12. 1994, p. 105.
[3] OJ L 142, 12. 6. 1993, p. 6.
[4] OJ L 181, 20. 7. 1996, p. 13.
[5] OJ L 49, 4. 3. 1995, p. 13.
[6] OJ L 71, 31. 3. 1995, p. 84.
[7] OJ L 257, 20. 9. 1997, p. 9.

Article 2

This Regulation shall enter into force on 11 October 1997.

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

Done at Brussels, 10 October 1997.

For the Commission

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