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COMMISSION REGULATION (EC) No 246/97

of 11 February 1997

determining to what extent licence applications submitted during January 1997 for live bovine animals weighing between 160 and 300 kg as part of a tariff quota provided for pursuant to Regulation (EC) No 2511/96

THE COMMISSION OF THE EUROPEAN COMMUNITIES,

Having regard to the Treaty establishing the European Community,

Having regard to Commission Regulation (EC) No 2511/96 of 23 December 1996 laying down for 1997 certain detailed rules for the application of a tariff quota for live bovine animals weighing between 160 and 300 kilograms originating in certain third countries [1], and in particular Article 5 (1) thereof,

Whereas Article 1 (1) of Regulation (EC) No 2511/96 lays down the number of head of live bovine animals weighing between 160 and 300 kg for fattening or slaughter originating in certain third countries which may be imported under special conditions during 1997;

Whereas the quantities for which import licence applications have been submitted exceed the quantities available;

whereas, pursuant to Article 5 (1) of Regulation (EC) No 2511/96, a single percentage reduction in the quantities applied for should be fixed,

HAS ADOPTED THIS REGULATION:

Article 1

Applications submitted for 1997 under the import arrangements referred to in Regulation (EC) No 2511/96 shall be reduced by 98,9062 %.

Article 2

This Regulation shall enter into force on 12 February 1997.

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

Done at Brussels, 11 February 1997.

For the Commission

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[1] OJ No L 161, 29. 6. 1996, p. 131.