COMMISSION REGULATION (EC) No 2617/97

of 16 December 1997

amending Regulation (EEC) No 1481/86 on the determination of prices of fresh or chilled lamb carcases on representative Community markets and the survey of prices of certain other qualities of sheep carcases in the Community

THE COMMISSION OF THE EUROPEAN COMMUNITIES,

Having regard to the Treaty establishing the European Community,

Having regard to Council Regulation (EEC) No 3013/89 of 25 September 1989 on the common organization of the market in sheepmeat and goatmeat [1], as last amended by Regulation (EC) No 1589/96 [2], and in particular Article 4 (5) thereof,

Whereas Commission Regulation (EEC) No 1481/86 [3], as last amended by Regulation (EC) No 2344/96 [4], lays down the rules for the determination of prices of fresh or chilled lamb carcases on representative Community markets and the survey of prices of certain other qualities of sheep carcases in the Community;

Whereas the coefficients used for calculating the price of sheep carcases on the representative markets of the Community should be adjusted in the light of the figures available with regard to sheep production;

Whereas, on the basis of the experience acquired and in view of the need to make the survey of market prices in the Member States more transparent, this survey should include whenever possible the prices for the different categories in the classification grids laid down in the Annexes to Council Regulation (EEC) No 2137/92 [5], as amended by Regulation (EC) No 1278/94 [6], and which meet the criteria of standard quality laid down by Council Regulation (EEC) No 338/91 [7], as amended by Regulation (EC) No 1278/94;

Whereas, in order to make the prices obtained in accordance with the classification grid used in each Member State as representative as possible, an average price must be established for each Member State and, in the case of the United Kingdom, for Great Britain and Northern Ireland; whereas to that end the price for each category should be weighted by a coefficient reflecting the relative importance of each category in the quantities coming on to the market in each Member State;

Whereas the average price in accordance with the grid should be included in the list of all the representative markets of each Member State by using a weighting coefficient expressing the relative importance of the grid in the quantities coming on to the market in each Member State;

Whereas the incorporation of the grid into the list of representative markets risks duplicating certain existing markets so that these markets should, as appropriate, be removed from the list or their current weighting in the list reduced in accordance with the degree to which the classification grid has been incorporated;

Whereas the Management Committee for Sheep and Goats has not delivered an opinion within the time limit set by its chairman,

HAS ADOPTED THIS REGULATION:

Article 1

Regulation (EEC) No 1481/86 is hereby amended as follows:

1. point (b) of the last subparagraph of Article 2 (1) is deleted;

2. in Article 2 (4), 'regions 5 and 6' is replaced by 'Great Britain and Northern Ireland';

3. Article 3 (2) is deleted;

4. Annex I is replaced by Annex I to this Regulation;

5. Annex II is replaced by Annex II to this Regulation.

Article 2

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

It shall apply from the beginning of the 1998 marketing year.

[1] OJ L 289, 7. 10. 1989, p. 1.
[2] OJ L 206, 16. 8. 1996, p. 25.
[3] OJ L 130, 16. 5. 1986, p. 12.
[4] OJ L 319, 10. 12. 1996, p. 3.
[5] OJ L 214, 30. 7. 1992, p. 1.
[6] OJ L 140, 3. 6. 1994, p. 5.
[7] OJ L 41, 14. 2. 1991, p. 1.

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

Done at Brussels, 16 December 1997.

For the Commission
Franz FISCHLER
Member of the Commission

ANNEX I

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COEFFICIENTS TO BE USED IN CALCULATING THE PRICE RECORDED ON THE REPRESENTATIVE COMMUNITY MARKETS

Belgium	0,38 %
Denmark	0,19 %
Germany	3,70 %
Spain	21,04 %
France	13,02 %
Greece	7,12 %
Ireland	8,74 %
Italy	4,52 %
Luxembourg	—
Netherlands	2,25 %
Portugal	2,20 %
Great Britain	32,63 %
Northern Ireland	3,17 %
Austria	0,56 %
Finland	0,13 %
Sweden	0,35 %'

ANNEX II

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FACTORS ENTERING INTO THE DETERMINATION OF PRICES RECORDED ON THE REPRESENTATIVE MARKETS OF THE COMMUNITY

A. BELGIUM

1. **Representative markets**	*Weighting coefficients*
Sint-Truiden	40 %
Anderlecht	40 %
Kleine plaatselijke markten / Petits marchés régionaux	20 %

2. **Category**	*Weighting coefficient*
Agneaux de boucherie / Slachtlammeren	100 %

B. DENMARK

1. **Representative markets**

(a) Regional markets

The price recorded is the weighted average of the prices recorded at the following places of quotation:

	Weighting coefficients
Nørager	40 %

(b) Seurop grid 60 %

2. **Categories**	*Weighting coefficients*
(a) Regional markets:	
Lam Ekstra	33,3 %
Lam 1. Kvalitet	66,7 %

(b) Seurop grid (1)

C. FEDERAL REPUBLIC OF GERMANY

1. **Representative markets**	*Weighting coefficients*
(a) Regional markets:	97 %
The prices recorded in each Bundesland are to be weighted by means of coefficients which are variable each week and reflect the relative importance of the number of animals slaughtered in each Bundesland compared to the total in the Federal Republic of Germany	
(b) Seurop grid	3 %

2. **Categories:**	*Weighting coefficient*
(a) Regional markets:	
Lammfleisch	100 %

(b) Seurop grid (1)

D. SPAIN

1. **Representative markets**	*Weighting coefficients*
(a) Regional markets:	
Albacete	12 %
Barcelona	8 %
Madrid	8 %
Medina del Campo	14 %
Talavera de la Reina	14 %
Valencia	3 %
Zafra	20 %
Zaragoza	16 %
(b) "A" grid	5 %

2. **Categories**	*Weighting coefficients*
(a) Regional markets:	
Corderos I	50 %
Corderos II	50 %
(b) "A" grid:	
C1	20 %
C2	80 %

E. FRANCE

1. **Representative markets**	*Weighting coefficients* January to June	July to December
(a) Marché de Rungis	25 %	25 %
(b) Regional markets:		
Paris	13 %	13 %
Limoges	20 %	23 %
Toulouse	16 %	13 %
Avignon	16 %	16 %
(c) Seurop grid	10 %	10 %

2. **Categories**

(a) Marché de Rungis: all categories of domestically produced lambs traded

(b) Regional markets: Agneaux

Weight range	*Degree of fattening*	*Conformation*	*Weighting coefficients*
12 to 16 kg	3	E	3,79 %
		U	4,55 %
		R	7,20 %
		O	3,79 %
	4	E	2,66 %
		U	3,41 %
		R	4,93 %
		O	3,03 %
16 to 19 kg	3	E	3,79 %
		U	4,55 %
		R	7,20 %
		O	3,79 %
	4	E	2,65 %
		U	3,41 %
		R	4,92 %
		O	3,03 %
19 to 22 kg	3	E	3,78 %
		U	4,54 %
		R	7,19 %
		O	3,78 %
	4	E	2,65 %
		U	3,41 %
		R	4,92 %
		O	3,03 %

(c) Seurop grid (1)

F. GREECE

1. **Representative markets**	*Weighting coefficients*
(a) Regional markets:	
Αθήνα	15 %
Ιωάννινα	22 %
Κομοτηνή	5 %
Λάρισα	35 %
Τρίπολη	15 %
Χανιά	5 %
(b) "A" grid	3 %

2. **Categories**	*Weighting coefficients*
(a) Regional markets:	
Αμνοί I	50 %
Αμνοί II	50 %
(b) "A" grid:	
C1	The price recorded for each of the two categories are to be weighted by means of coefficients which are variable each week and reflect the relative importance of the number of animals slaughtered in each category compared to the total of the two categories
C2	

G. IRELAND

1. **Representative markets**	*Weighting coefficients*
(a) Abattoirs:	
Ballyhaunis	18,0 %
Dublin	13,5 %
Camolin	8,5 %
(b) Live markets:	
Ballina	22,5 %
Enniscorthy	12,0 %
Fermoy	10,5 %
(c) Seurop grid	10,0 %

2. **Categories**	*Weighting coefficient*
(a) and (b) Lambs	100 %
(c) Seurop grid (1)	

H. ITALY

1. **Representative markets**	*Weighting coefficients*
(a) Roma	25,0 %
(b) Other markets:	
Avellino	6,0 %
Firenze	5,0 %
Foggia	22,0 %
Nuoro	19,0 %
L'Aquila	11,0 %
Grosseto	6,0 %
Forli	6,0 %

2. **Categories**	*Weighting coefficients*
Agnelli I	50 %
Agnelli II	50 %

I. NETHERLANDS

1. **Representative markets**

Weighting coefficients

Sluis

Kleinere Slachterijen

The prices recorded in each slaughterhouse are to be weighted by means of coefficients which are variable each week and reflect the relative importance of the number of animals slaughtered in each slaughterhouse compared with the national total.

2. **Category**

	Weighting coefficient
Slachtlammeren	100 %

J. PORTUGAL

1. **Representative markets**

	Categories	*Weighting coefficients*
Alentejo	Borrego I	80 %
Ribatejo Oeste	Borrego I	20 %
Alentejo	Borrego II	100 %

2. **Categories**

	Weighting coefficients
Borregos I	50 %
Borregos II	50 %

K. GREAT BRITAIN

1. **Representative markets**

Weighting coefficients

(a) Livestock auction markets:

Representative livestock auction markets in regions:

England

Wales

Scotland

The prices recorded in each representative livestock auction market in each region are to be weighted by means of coefficients which are variable each week and reflect the number of lambs sold in these markets compared to the regional total for all such markets. The prices established for each region are also to be weighted by means of coefficients which are variable each week and reflect the number of lambs sold in each region compared with the national total for all such markets.

97 %

(b) Seurop grid

3 %

2. **Categories**

Weighting coefficients

(a) Livestock auction markets:

New-season lamb

Old-season lamb

The prices recorded for each category are to be weighted by means of coefficients which are variable each week and reflect the relative importance of the total estimated carcase weight of lambs in each category compared with the total estimated carcase weight of all lambs born in the 12-month period prior to marketing.

(b) Seurop grip (1)

L. NORTHERN IRELAND

1. **Representative markets**

Weighting coefficients

(a) Live markets:

Ballymoney	20 %
Allams, Belfast	20 %
Markethill	12 %
Omagh	18 %

(b) Seurop grid (1)

30 %

M. AUSTRIA

1. **Representative market:** Austria

The prices record on this market are the weighted average of the prices recorded in the following regions:

	Weighted coefficient
Ost	33 %
West	38 %
Sud	29 %

2. **Category**	*Weighting coefficient*
Schlachtlämmer	100 %

N. FINLAND

1. **Representative market:** Finland; Seurop grid	*Weighting coefficient*
	100 %

2. **Category**

Seurop grid (1)

O. SWEDEN

1. **Representative market:** Sweden; Seurop grid *Weighting coefficient*

2. **Category**

Seurop grid (1)

(1) Average price on a weight basis for all average prices for each quality of lamb within the Community scale (Seurop grid) recorded in all participating establishments.

Communication of those prices is made in accordance with the dispositions of Article 2 of Regulation (EEC) No 461/93.'