COMMISSION REGULATION (EC) No 555/97

of 26 March 1997

fixing the export refunds on syrups and certain other sugar products exported in the natural state

THE COMMISSION OF THE EUROPEAN COMMUNITIES,

Having regard to the Treaty establishing the European Community,

Having regard to Council Regulation (EEC) No 1785/81 of 30 June 1981 on the common organization of the markets in the sugar sector (1), as last amended by Regulation (EC) No 1599/96 (2), and in particular Article 17 (5) thereof,

Whereas Article 17 of Regulation (EEC) No 1785/81 provides that the difference between quotations or prices on the world market for the products listed in Article 1 (1) (d) of that Regulation and prices for those products within the Community may be covered by an export refund;

Whereas Article 3 of Commission Regulation (EC) No 2135/95 of 7 September 1995 laying down detailed rules of application for the grant of export refunds in the sugar sector (3), provides that the export refund on 100 kilograms of the products listed in Article 1 (1) (d) of Regulation (EEC) No 1785/81 is equal to the basic amount multiplied by the sucrose content, including, where appropriate, other sugars expressed as sucrose; whereas the sucrose content of the product in question is determined in accordance with Article 3 of Commission Regulation (EC) No 2135/95;

Whereas Article 17 (6) of Regulation (EEC) No 1785/81 provides that the basic amount of the refund on sorbose exported in the natural state must be equal to the basic amount of the refund less one-hundredth of the production refund applicable, pursuant to Council Regulation (EEC) No 1010/86 of 25 March 1986 laying down general rules for the production refund on sugar used in the chemical industry (4), last amended by Commission Regulation (EC) No 1126/96 (5), to the products listed in the Annex to the last mentioned Regulation;

Whereas the basic amount of the refund on the other products listed in Article 1 (1) (d) of Regulation (EEC) No 1785/81 exported in the natural state must be equal to one-hundredth of an amount which takes account, on the one hand, of the difference between the intervention price for white sugar for the Community areas without deficit for the month for which the basic amount is fixed and quotations or prices for white sugar on the world market and, on the other, of the need to establish a balance between the use of Community basic products in the manufacture of processed goods for export to third countries and the use of third country products brought in under inward processing arrangements;

Whereas the application of the basic amount may be limited to some of the products listed in Article 1 (1) (d) of Regulation (EEC) No 1785/81;

Whereas Article 17 of Regulation (EEC) No 1785/81 makes provision for setting refunds for export in the natural state of products referred to in Article 1 (1) (f) and (g) and (h) of that Regulation; whereas the refund must be fixed per 100 kilograms of dry matter, taking account of the export refund for products falling within CN code 1702 30 91 and for products referred to in Article 1 (1) (d) of Regulation (EEC) No 1785/81 and of the economic aspects of the intended exports; whereas, in the case of the products referred to in the said Article (1) (f) and (g), the refund is to be granted only for products complying with the conditions in Article 5 of Regulation (EC) No 2135/95; whereas, for the products referred to in Article 1 (1) (h), the refund shall be granted only for products complying with the conditions in Article 6 of Regulation (EC) No 2135/95;

Whereas the refunds referred to above must be fixed every month; whereas they may be altered in the intervening period;

Whereas application of these quotas results in fixing refunds for the products in question at the levels given in the Annex to this Regulation;

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

HAS ADOPTED THIS REGULATION:

Article 1

The export refunds on the products listed in Article 1 (1) (d), (f), (g) and (h) of Regulation (EEC) No 1785/81, exported in the natural state, shall be set out in the Annex hereto.

Article 2

This Regulation shall enter into force on 1 April 1997.

(1) OJ No L 177, 1. 7. 1981, p. 4.
(2) OJ No L 206, 16. 8. 1996, p. 43.
(3) OJ No L 214, 8. 9. 1995, p. 16.
(4) OJ No L 94, 9. 4. 1986, p. 9.
(5) OJ No L 150, 25. 6. 1996, p. 3.

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

Done at Brussels, 26 March 1997.

For the Commission

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Member of the Commission

ANNEX

to the Commission Regulation of 26 March 1997 fixing the export refunds on syrups and certain other sugar products exported in the natural state

Product code	Amount of refund
	— ECU/100 kg dry matter —
1702 40 10 9100	41,16 (2)
1702 60 10 9000	41,16 (2)
1702 60 90 9200	78,20 (4)
	— ECU/1 % sucrose × 100 kg —
1702 60 90 9800	0,4116 (1)
	— ECU/100 kg dry matter —
1702 90 30 9000	41,16 (2)
	— ECU/1 % sucrose × 100 kg —
1702 90 60 9000	0,4116 (1)
1702 90 71 9000	0,4116 (1)
1702 90 99 9900	0,4116 (1) (3)
	— ECU/100 kg dry matter —
2106 90 30 9000	41,16 (2)
	— ECU/1 % sucrose × 100 kg —
2106 90 59 9000	0,4116 (1)

(1) The basic amount is not applicable to syrups which are less than 85 % pure (Regulation (EEC) No 394/70). Sucrose content is determined in accordance with Article 13 of Regulation (EEC) No 394/70.

(2) Applicable only to products referred to in Article 3 of Regulation (EEC) No 1469/77.

(3) The basic amount is not applicable to the product defined under point 2 of the Annex to Regulation (EEC) No 3513/92 (OJ No L 355, 5. 12. 1992, p. 12).

(4) Applicable only to products defined under Article 13 (3) of Regulation (EEC) No 394/70.

NB: The product codes and the footnotes are defined in amended Commission Regulation (EEC) No 3846/87 (OJ No L 366, 24. 12. 1987, p. 1).