COMMISSION REGULATION (EC) No 172/98

of 23 January 1998

determining the extent to which applications lodged in January 1998 for import licences for certain poultrymeat sector products pursuant to Regulation (EC) No 2497/96 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 2497/96 of 18 December 1996 laying down rules for the application in the poultrymeat sector of the system provided for by the Association Agreement and the Interim Agreement between the European Community and the State of Israel [1], as amended by Regulation (EC) No 1514/97 [2], and in particular Article 4 (5) thereof,

Whereas the applications for import licences lodged for the first quarter of 1998 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,

HAS ADOPTED THIS REGULATION:

Article 1

1. Applications for import licences for the period 1 January to 31 March 1998 submitted pursuant to Regulation (EC) No 2497/96 shall be met as referred to in Annex I.

2. During the first 10 days of the period 1 April to 30 June 1998 applications may be lodged pursuant to Regulation (EC) No 2497/96 for import licences for the total quantities as referred to in Annex II.

Article 2

This Regulation shall enter into force on 24 January 1998.

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

Done at Brussels, 23 January 1998.

For the Commission
Franz FISCHLER
Member of the Commission

[1] OJ L 338, 28. 12. 1996, p. 48.
[2] OJ L 204, 31. 7. 1997, p. 16.

ANNEX I

Group No	Percentage of acceptance of import licences submitted for the period 1 January to 31 March 1998
I1	100,00

ANNEX II

(tonnes)

Group No	Available quantities
I1	665,00