COMMISSION REGULATION (EC) No 1946/2000

of 14 September 2000

temporarily suspending the issuing of export licences for certain milk products and determining what proportion of the amounts covered by pending applications for export licences may be allocated

THE COMMISSION OF THE EUROPEAN COMMUNITIES,

Having regard to the Treaty establishing the European Community,

Having regard to Council Regulation (EC) No 1255/1999 of 17 May 1999 on the common organisation of the market in milk and milk products [1], as last amended by Regulation (EC) No 1670/2000 [2],

Having regard to Commission Regulation (EC) No 174/1999 of 26 January 1999 laying down special detailed rules for the application of Council Regulation (EEC) No 804/68 as regards export licences and export refunds in the case of milk and milk products [3], as amended by Regulation (EC) No 1596/1999 [4], and in particular Article 10(3) thereof,

Whereas:

(1) Uncertainty is a feature of the market in certain milk products. It is necessary to prevent speculative applications that may lead to a distortion in competition between traders. The issuing of export licences for the products concerned should be temporarily suspended, and licences for some of these products should not be issued in respect of applications pending.

(2) The measures provided for in this Regulation are in accordance with the opinion of the Management Committee for Milk and Milk Products,

HAS ADOPTED THIS REGULATION:

Article 1

The issuing of export licences for milk products falling within CN code 0402 10 is hereby suspended for the period from 15 to 30 September 2000, excluding licences for destination '970'.

Article 2

This Regulation shall enter into force on 15 September 2000.

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

Done at Brussels, 14 September 2000.

For the Commission

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Member of the Commission

[1] OJ L 160, 26.6.1999, p. 48.
[2] OJ L 193, 29.7.2000, p. 10.
[3] OJ L 20, 27.1.1999, p. 8.
[4] OJ L 188, 21.7.1999, p. 39.