# COMMISSION REGULATION (EC) No 2073/2000

## of 29 September 2000

## reducing, for the 2000/2001 marketing year, the guaranteed quantity under the production quotas scheme for the sugar sector and the presumed maximum supply needs of sugar refineries under the preferential import arrangements

THE COMMISSION OF THE EUROPEAN COMMUNITIES,

Having regard to the Treaty establishing the European Community,

Having regard to Council Regulation (EC) No 2038/1999 of 13 September 1999 on the common organisation of the markets in the sugar sector [1], as amended by Commission Regulation (EC) No 1527/2000 [2], and in particular Articles 26(5) and 44(6) thereof,

Whereas:

(1) The first two subparagraphs of Article 26(5) of Regulation (EC) No 2038/1999 lay down that the guaranteed quantity under production quotas should be reduced before 1 October each marketing year if the forecasts for the year in question show an exportable balance attracting a refund greater than the maximum laid down by the Agriculture Agreement concluded under Article 300(2) of the Treaty.

(2) The forecasts for the 2000/2001 marketing year indicate an exportable balance exceeding the maximum laid down by the Agreement for that year. It is therefore necessary to fix the difference by which this guaranteed quantity is to be reduced and then to divide it up between sugar, isoglucose and inulin syrup on the one hand and the production regions concerned on the other, using the coefficients established for this purpose.

(3) In accordance with the third subparagraph of Article 26(5) of Regulation (EC) No 2038/1999, each Member State must then allocate the difference to which it is subject among the producer undertakings established on its territory on the basis of the existing ratio between their A and B quotas for the product in question and the basic quantity A and the basic quantity B for the Member State or, as appropriate, the sum of the A quotas and the sum of the B quotas for this product assigned to the producer undertakings.

(4) Article 44(5) of Regulation (EC) No 2038/1999 lays down that a reduction in the guaranteed quantity also necessitates a reduction in the presumed maximum raw sugar needs of Community refineries for the marketing year in question. It is therefore necessary to fix the corresponding reduction for these presumed maximum needs and to allocate it among the Member States concerned.

(5) The time limits by which the Member States must establish the reduction applying to each producer undertaking on their torritory and communicate the relevant data should be fixed.

(6) 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*

1. Pursuant to Article 26(5) of Regulation (EC) No 2038/1999, the guaranteed quantity under production quotas in the sugar sector shall be reduced by a difference equal to 498 800 tonnes, in white sugar equivalent, for the 2000/2001 marketing year.

2. The difference referred to in paragraph 1 shall be allocated by product and by region in accordance with Annex I.

Once reduced by this difference, the basic quantities used to allocate the production quotas to producer undertakings for the 2000/2001 marketing year shall be those set out in Annex II.

3. The Member States shall establish before 1 November 2000 the specific difference for each producer undertaking to which a production quota for the 2000/2001 marketing year has been assigned, and also each undertaking's A and B quotas adjusted in accordance with this difference.

4. The Member States shall inform the Commission of the difference and adjusted A and B quotas for each producer undertaking established on their territory no later than 15 November 2000.

*Article 2*

1. Pursuant to Article 44(5) of Regulation (EC) No 2038/1999, the presumed maximum supply needs of Community refineries shall be reduced by 8 365 tonnes, in white sugar equivalent.

2. The reduction referred to in paragraph 1 shall be allocated among the Member States in accordance with Annex III.

*Article 3*

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

[1] OJ L 252, 25.9.1999, p. 1.
[2] OJ L 175, 14.7.2000, p. 59.

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

Done at Brussels, 29 September 2000.

*For the Commission*
Franz FISCHLER
*Member of the Commission*

*ANNEX I*

**Allocation by product and region of the difference representing the reduction in the guaranteed quantity**

1. Basic quantities A

| Region | Difference for A sugar (1) | Difference for A isoglucose (2) | Difference for A inulin syrup (3) |
|---|---|---|---|
| Denmark | 13 012,0 | 0,0 | 0,0 |
| Germany | 81 119,6 | 1 035,3 | 0,0 |
| Germany (Article 28 region) | 26 402,8 | 0,0 | 0,0 |
| Greece | 5 907,7 | 377,2 | 0,0 |
| Spain | 12 654,7 | 1 650,0 | 0,0 |
| France (metropolitan) (4) | 101 983,4 | 606,6 | 624,1 |
| French overseas departments (4) | 9 229,8 | 0,0 | 0,0 |
| Ireland | 3 707,6 | 0,0 | 0,0 |
| Italy | 39 453,5 | 593,9 | 0,0 |
| Netherlands | 25 536,6 | 266,2 | 2 058,7 |
| Austria | 10 844,0 | 0,0 | 0,0 |
| Portugal (mainland) | 1 111,0 | 290,1 | 0,0 |
| Autonomous region of the Azores | 185,1 | 0,0 | 0,0 |
| Finland | 2 718,0 | 229,9 | 0,0 |
| Sweden | 6 852,3 | 0,0 | 0,0 |
| Belgium/Luxembourg Economic Union | 22 096,9 | 2 240,0 | 5 891,8 |
| United Kingdom | 21 186,2 | 841,3 | 0,0 |

(1) In tonnes of white sugar.
(2) In tonnes of dry matter.
(3) In tonnes of dry matter expressed as white sugar/isoglucose equivalent, account being taken of Article 29 of Regulation (EC) No 2038/1999.
(4) Account has been taken of the second subparagraph of Article 30(3) of Regulation (EC) No 2038/1999.

2. Basic quantities B

| Region | Difference for B sugar (1) | Difference for B isoglucose (2) | Difference for B inulin syrup (3) |
|---|---|---|---|
| Denmark | 3 833,4 | 0,0 | 0,0 |
| Germany | 24 960,3 | 243,8 | 0,0 |
| Germany (Article 28 region) | 8 124,0 | 0,0 | 0,0 |
| Greece | 590,7 | 88,8 | 0,0 |
| Spain | 527,1 | 176,0 | 0,0 |
| France (metropolitan) | 30 245,7 | 157,9 | 146,7 |
| French overseas departments | 986,7 | 0,0 | 0,0 |
| Ireland | 370,7 | 0,0 | 0,0 |
| Italy | 7 420,0 | 139,9 | 0,0 |
| Netherlands | 6 735,6 | 62,7 | 483,5 |
| Austria | 2 531,0 | 0,0 | 0,0 |
| Portugal (mainland) | 111,0 | 68,3 | 0,0 |
| Autonomous region of the Azores | 18,7 | 0,0 | 0,0 |
| Finland | 271,7 | 23,0 | 0,0 |
| Sweden | 685,4 | 0,0 | 0,0 |
| Belgium/Luxembourg Economic Union | 4 744,5 | 616,0 | 1 387,0 |
| United Kingdom | 2 118,8 | 224,4 | 0,0 |

(1) In tonnes of white sugar.
(2) In tonnes of dry matter.
(3) In tonnes of dry matter expressed as white sugar/isoglucose equivalent, account being taken of Article 29 of Regulation (EC) No 2038/1999.

*ANNEX II*

**Basic quantities used to allocate the A and B production quotas after reduction of the guaranteed quantity**

1. Basic quantities A

| Region | Basic quantity of A sugar (1) | Basic quantity of A isoglucose (2) | Basic quantity of A inulin syrup (3) |
|---|---|---|---|
| Denmark | 314 988,0 | 0,0 | 0,0 |
| Germany | 1 908 880,4 | 27 846,7 | 0,0 |
| Germany (Article 28 region) | 621 300,2 | 0,0 | 0,0 |
| Greece | 284 092,3 | 10 144,8 | 0,0 |
| Spain | 947 345,3 | 73 350,0 | 0,0 |
| France (metropolitan) (4) | 2 458 016,6 | 15 280,4 | 19 366,9 |
| French overseas departments (4) | 426 770,2 | 0,0 | 0,0 |
| Ireland | 178 292,4 | 0,0 | 0,0 |
| Italy | 1 280 546,5 | 15 975,1 | 0,0 |
| Netherlands | 664 463,4 | 7 159,8 | 63 935,3 |
| Austria | 305 685,0 | 0,0 | 0,0 |
| Portugal (mainland) | 62 525,4 | 7 803,8 | 0,0 |
| Autonomous region of the Azores | 8 905,8 | 0,0 | 0,0 |
| Finland | 130 715,0 | 10 615,1 | 0,0 |
| Sweden | 329 511,7 | 0,0 | 0,0 |
| Belgium/Luxembourg Economic Union | 657 903,1 | 54 427,0 | 169 685,2 |
| United Kingdom | 1 018 813,8 | 20 854,7 | 0,0 |

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(4) Account has been taken of the second subparagraph of Article 30(3) of Regulation (EC) No 2038/1999.

2. Basic quantities B

| Region | Basic quantity of B sugar (1) | Basic quantity of B isoglucose (2) | Basic quantity of B inulin syrup (3) |
|---|---|---|---|
| Denmark | 92 795,9 | 0,0 | 0,0 |
| Germany | 587 352,6 | 6 558,2 | 0,0 |
| Germany (Article 28 region) | 191 173,0 | 0,0 | 0,0 |
| Greece | 28 409,3 | 2 389,2 | 0,0 |
| Spain | 39 472,9 | 7 824,0 | 0,0 |
| France (metropolitan) | 728 987,1 | 3 977,1 | 4 561,3 |
| French overseas departments | 45 613,3 | 0,0 | 0,0 |
| Ireland | 17 829,3 | 0,0 | 0,0 |
| Italy | 240 830,0 | 3 762,1 | 0,0 |
| Netherlands | 175 264,4 | 1 686,3 | 15 058,5 |
| Austria | 71 350,0 | 0,0 | 0,0 |
| Portugal (mainland) | 6 252,6 | 1 837,8 | 0,0 |
| Autonomous region of the Azores | 890,4 | 0,0 | 0,0 |
| Finland | 13 071,3 | 1 062,0 | 0,0 |
| Sweden | 32 950,6 | 0,0 | 0,0 |
| Belgium/Luxembourg Economic Union | 141 255,5 | 14 967,0 | 39 961,0 |
| United Kingdom | 101 881,2 | 5 562,6 | 0,0 |

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(2) In tonnes of dry matter.
(3) In tonnes of dry matter expressed as white sugar/isoglucose equivalent, account being taken of Article 29 of Regulation (EC) No 2038/1999.

*ANNEX III*

**Breakdown by Member State of the reduction in maximum presumed refinery supply needs, in white sugar equivalent**

| | Reduction | Maximum presumed needs after application of the reduction |
|---|---|---|
| a) Finland | 282 tonnes | 59 718 tonnes |
| b) Metropolitan France | 1 397 tonnes | 295 603 tonnes |
| c) Mainland Portugal | 1 373 tonnes | 290 627 tonnes |
| d) United Kingdom | 5 313 tonnes | 1 124 687 tonnes |