COMMISSION REGULATION (EC) No 374/2000

of 17 February 2000

concerning tenders notified in response to the invitation to tender for the import of maize issued in Regulation (EC) No 2776/1999

THE COMMISSION OF THE EUROPEAN COMMUNITIES,

Having regard to the Treaty establishing the European Community,

Having regard to Council Regulation (EEC) No 1766/92 of 30 June 1992 on the common organisation of the market in cereals [1], as last amended by Regulation (EC) No 1253/1999 [2], and in particular Article 12(1) thereof,

Whereas:

(1) An invitation to tender for the maximum reduction in the duty on maize imported into Portugal was opened pursuant to Commission Regulation (EC) No 2776/1999 [3].

(2) Article 5 of Commission Regulation (EC) No 1839/95 [4], as amended by Regulation (EC) No 1963/95 [5], allows the Commission to decide, in accordance with the procedure laid down in Article 23 of Regulation (EEC) No 1766/92 and on the basis of the tenders notified, to make no award.

(3) On the basis of the criteria laid down in Articles 6 and 7 of Regulation (EC) No 1839/95 a maximum reduction in the duty should not be fixed.

(4) The measures provided for in this Regulation are in accordance with the opinion of the Management Committee for cereals,

HAS ADOPTED THIS REGULATION:

Article 1

No action shall be taken on the tenders notified from 11 to 17 February 2000 in response to the invitation to tender for the reduction in the duty on imported maize issued in Regulation (EC) No 2776/1999.

Article 2

This Regulation shall enter into force on 18 February 2000.

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

Done at Brussels, 17 February 2000.

For the Commission

Franz FISCHLER

Member of the Commission

[1] OJ L 181, 1.7.1992, p. 21.
[2] OJ L 160, 26.6.1999, p. 18.
[3] OJ L 334, 28.12.1999, p. 8.
[4] OJ L 177, 28.7.1995, p. 4.
[5] OJ L 189, 10.8.1995, p. 22.