COMMISSION REGULATION (EC) No 552/2000
of 14 March 2000
fixing the export refunds on pigmeat

THE COMMISSION OF THE EUROPEAN COMMUNITIES,

Having regard to the Treaty establishing the European Community,

Having regard to Council Regulation (EEC) No 2759/75 of 29 October 1975 on the common organisation of the market in pigmeat [1], as last amended by the Act of Accession of Austria, Finland and Sweden and by Regulation (EC) No 3290/94 [2], and in particular the second paragraph of Article 13 (3) thereof,

Whereas

(1) Article 13 of Regulation (EEC) No 2759/75 provides that the difference between prices on the world market for the products listed in Article 1(1) of that Regulation and prices for these products within the Community may be covered by an export refund.

(2) It follows from applying these rules and criteria to the present situation on the market in pigmeat that the refund should be fixed as set out below;

(3) In the case of products falling within CN code 0210 19 81, the refund should be limited to an amount which takes account of the qualitative characteristics of each of the products falling within these codes and of the foreseeable trend of production costs on the world market. It is important that the Community should continue to take part in international trade in the case of certain typical Italian products falling within CN code 0210 19 81.

(4) Because of the conditions of competition in certain third countries, which are traditionally importers of products falling within CN codes 1601 00 and 1602, the refund for these products should be fixed so as to take this situation into account. Steps should be taken to ensure that the refund is granted only for the net weight of the edible substances, to the exclusion of the net weight of the bones possibly contained in the said preparations.

(5) Article 13 of Regulation (EEC) No 2759/75 provides that the world market situation or the specific requirements of certain markets may make it necessary to vary the refund on the products listed in Article 1(1) of Regulation (EEC) No 2759/75 according to destination.

(6) The refunds should be fixed taking account of the amendments to the refund nomenclature established by Commission Regulation (EEC) No 3846/87 [3], as last amended by Regulation (EC) No 2765/1999 [4].

(7) The Management Committee for Pigmeat has not delivered an opinion within the time limit set by its chairman,

HAS ADOPTED THIS REGULATION:

Article 1

The list of products on which the export refund specified in Article 13 of Regulation (EEC) No 2759/75 is granted and the amount of the refund shall be as set out in the Annex hereto.

Article 2

This Regulation shall enter into force on 15 March 2000.

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

Done at Brussels, 14 March 2000.

For the Commission

Franz FISCHLER

Member of the Commission

[1] OJ L 282, 1.11.1975, p. 1.
[2] OJ L 349, 31.12.1994, p. 105.
[3] OJ L 366, 24.12.1987, p. 1.
[4] OJ L 338, 30.12.1999, p. 1.

ANNEX

to the Commission Regulation of 14 March 2000 fixing the export refunds on pigmeat

(EUR/100 kg net weight)

Product code	Destination of refund (1)	Amount of refund
0203 11 10 9000	01	13,00
	02	35,00
0203 12 11 9100	01	13,00
	02	35,00
0203 12 19 9100	01	13,00
	02	35,00
0203 19 11 9100	01	13,00
	02	35,00
0203 19 13 9100	01	13,00
	02	35,00
0203 19 15 9100	01	9,00
	02	22,00
0203 19 55 9110	01	13,00
	02	35,00
0203 19 55 9310	01	9,00
	02	22,00
0203 21 10 9000	01	13,00
	02	35,00
0203 22 11 9100	01	13,00
	02	35,00
0203 22 19 9100	01	13,00
	02	35,00
0203 29 11 9100	01	13,00
	02	35,00
0203 29 13 9100	01	13,00
	02	35,00
0203 29 15 9100	01	9,00
	02	22,00
0203 29 55 9110	01	13,00
	02	35,00
0210 11 31 9110	04	90,00
0210 11 31 9910	04	90,00
0210 12 19 9100	04	20,00
0210 19 81 9100	04	95,00
0210 19 81 9300	04	76,00
1601 00 91 9000	04	28,00
1601 00 99 9110	04	25,00
1602 41 10 9210	04	62,00
1602 42 10 9210	04	34,00
1602 49 19 9120	04	25,00

(1) The destinations are as follows:
01 Poland, Czech Republic, Slovak Republic, Hungary, Romania, Bulgaria, Slovenia, Latvia, Lithuania, Estonia
02 All destinations except those of 01
04 All destinations

NB: The product codes and the footnotes are defined in Commission Regulation (EEC) No 3846/87.