COMMISSION REGULATION (EC) No 1650/2001

of 14 August 2001

fixing quantities for imports of bananas into the Community for the fourth quarter of 2001 under the A/B and C tariff quotas

THE COMMISSION OF THE EUROPEAN COMMUNITIES,

Having regard to the Treaty establishing the European Community,

Having regard to Council Regulation (EEC) No 404/93 of 13 February 1993 on the common organisation of the market in bananas [1], as last amended by Regulation (EC) No 216/2001 [2], and in particular Article 20 thereof,

Whereas:

(1) Commission Regulation (EC) No 896/2001 of 7 May 2001 laying down detailed rules for applying Council Regulation (EEC) No 404/93 as regards the arrangements for importing bananas into the Community [3] fixes the available quantities for the second half of 2001 for the A/B and C tariff quotas and also the maximum quantities in respect of the third quarter of 2001 for which import licences can be sought.

(2) The quantities available for import under the A/B and C tariff quotas for the fourth quarter should be determined, having regard on the one hand to the volume of tariff quotas available for the second half of 2001 and, on the other hand, to the import licences issued for the third quarter of 2001.

(3) This Regulation must enter into force immediately, before the start of the period for the submission of licence applications for the fourth quarter of 2001.

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

HAS ADOPTED THIS REGULATION:

Article 1

1. For the fourth quarter of 2001, the quantities available for import under the tariff quota arrangements for the import of bananas shall be as set out in the Annex.

2. For the fourth quarter of 2001, applications for import licences under the A/B and C tariff quotas:

(a) submitted by a traditional operator may not relate to a quantity exceeding the difference between the quantity allocated to the operator under Article 28(2) of Regulation (EC) No 896/2001 and the sum of the quantities covered by import licences issued for the third quarter of 2001;

(b) submitted by a non-traditional operator may not relate to a quantity exceeding the difference between the quantity allocated to the operator under Article 29(1) and (3) of Regulation (EC) No 896/2001 and the sum of the quantities covered by import licences issued for the third quarter of 2001.

Applications for import licences shall be accompanied by a copy of the import licence(s) issued to the operator for the third quarter of 2001.

Article 2

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

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

Done at Brussels, 14 August 2001.

For the Commission

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Member of the Commission

[1] OJ L 47, 25.2.1993, p. 1.
[2] OJ L 31, 2.2.2001, p. 2.
[3] OJ L 126, 8.5.2001, p. 6.

ANNEX

Quantities of available bananas by tariff quota and operator category for the fourth quarter of 2001

(tonnes, net weight)

Tariff quotas	Operator category	Quantity
A/B	Traditional	450 093,342
	Non-traditional	92 961,430
C	Traditional	265 759,630
	Non-traditional	41 989,399