COMMISSION REGULATION (EC) No 465/2002
of 14 March 2002
on the issuing of system A3 export licences in the fruit and vegetables sector

THE COMMISSION OF THE EUROPEAN COMMUNITIES,

Having regard to the Treaty establishing the European Community,

Having regard to Commission Regulation (EC) No 1961/2001 of 8 October 2001 laying down detailed rules for implementing Council Regulation (EC) No 2200/96 as regards export refunds on fruit and vegetables [1], and in particular Article 4(4) thereof,

Whereas:

(1) Commission Regulation (EC) No 226/2002 [2] opens an invitation to tender setting the indicative refund rates and indicative quantities for system A3 export licences other than those tendered for as part of food aid.

(2) In the light of the tenders submitted, the maximum refund rates and the percentages for reducing the quantities awarded for tenders quoting those maximum rates should be set.

(3) In the case of oranges, lemons and apples, the maximum rate necessary to award licences for the indicative quantity up to the quantities tendered for is not more than one-and-a-half times the indicative refund rate,

HAS ADOPTED THIS REGULATION:

Article 1

In the case of oranges, lemons and apples, the maximum refund rates and the percentages for reducing the quantities awarded under the invitation to tender opened by Regulation (EC) No 226/2002 shall be as set out in the Annex.

Article 2

This Regulation shall enter into force on 15 March 2002.

Done at Brussels, 14 March 2002.

For the Commission

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ANNEX

Product	Maximum refund rate (EUR/t net)	Percentage awarded of quantities tendered for quoting the maximum refund rate
Oranges	29	78 %
Lemons	15	95 %
Apples	15	5 %

[1] OJ L 268, 9.10.2001, p. 8.
[2] OJ L 38, 8.2.2002, p. 8.