COMMISSION REGULATION (EC) No 700/2003

of 16 April 2003

laying down to what extent applications for issue of export licences submitted during April 2003 for beef products which may benefit from special import treatment in a third country may be accepted

THE COMMISSION OF THE EUROPEAN COMMUNITIES,

Having regard to the Treaty establishing the European Community,

Having regard to Commission Regulation (EC) No 1445/95 of 26 June 1995 on rules of application for import and export licences in the beef sector and repealing Regulation (EEC) No 2377/80 [1], as last amended by Regulation (EC) No 118/2003 [2], and in particular Article 12(8) thereof,

Whereas:

(1) Regulation (EC) No 1445/95 lays down, in Article 12, detailed rules for export licence applications for the products referred to in Article 1 of Commission Regulation (EEC) No 2973/79 [3], as last amended by Regulation (EEC) No 3434/87 [4].

(2) Regulation (EEC) No 2973/79 fixed the quantities of meat which might be exported on special terms for the second quarter of 2003. No applications were submitted for export licences for beef,

HAS ADOPTED THIS REGULATION:

Article 1

No applications for export licences were lodged for the beef referred to in Regulation (EEC) No 2973/79 for the second quarter of 2003.

Article 2

Applications for licences in respect of the meat referred to in Article 1 may be lodged in accordance with Article 12 of Regulation (EC) No 1445/95 during the first 10 days of the third quarter of 2003 the total quantity available being 3 750 t.

Article 3

This Regulation shall enter into force on 21 April 2003.

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

Done at Brussels, 16 April 2003.

For the Commission
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[1] OJ L 143, 27.6.1995, p. 35.
[2] OJ L 20, 24.1.2003, p. 3.
[3] OJ L 336, 29.12.1979, p. 44.
[4] OJ L 327, 18.11.1987, p. 7.