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THE COMMISSION OF THE EUROPEAN COMMUNITIES,

Having regard to the Treaty establishing the European Community,

Having regard to Council Regulation (EC) No 1234/2007 of 22 October 2007 establishing a common organisation of agricultural markets and on specific provisions for certain agricultural products (Single CMO Regulation) ([1]), and in particular Article 43(a) and (d) in conjunction with Article 4 thereof,

Whereas:

(1) Article 28 of Regulation (EC) No 1234/2007 provides for the granting of private storage aid for butter.

(2) Developments in prices and stocks of butter indicate an imbalance in the market which may be eliminated or reduced by the seasonal storage. In view of the current market situation it is appropriate to grant aid for private storage of butter as from 1 January 2009.

(3) Commission Regulation (EC) No 826/2008 of 20 August 2008 laying down common rules for granting of an aid for private storage for certain agricultural products ([2]) has established common rules for the implementation of private storage aid scheme.

(4) Pursuant to Article 6 of Regulation (EC) No 826/2008, an aid fixed in advance is to be granted in accordance with the detailed rules and conditions provided for in Chapter III of that Regulation.

(5) To facilitate the implementation of the present measure taking into consideration the existing practice in the Member States, Article 7(3) of Regulation (EC) No 826/2008 should relate only to products that have been fully placed into storage. Consequently, derogation from that Article should be introduced.

(6) In accordance with Article 29 of Regulation (EC) No 1234/2007 the aid shall be fixed in the light of storage costs and the likely trends in prices for fresh butter and butter from stocks.

(7) It is appropriate to fix an aid for the costs for entry and exit of products concerned and for daily costs for cold storage and financing.

(8) For reasons of administrative efficiency and simplification, where the required information concerning storage details are already included in the application for aid, it is appropriate to waive the requirement to notify the same information after the conclusion of the contract as provided for in Article 20, first paragraph, point (a) of Regulation (EC) No 826/2008.

(9) For reasons of simplification and logistic efficiency, the requirement to mark the contract number on each unit stored could be waived where the contracts number is entered in the stores register.

([1]) OJ L 299, 16.11.2007, p. 1.
([2]) OJ L 223, 21.8.2008, p. 3.

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(10) The measures provided for in this Regulation are in accordance with the opinion of the Management Committee for the Common Organisation of Agricultural Markets,

HAS ADOPTED THIS REGULATION:

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Article 1

This Regulation provides for private storage aid for salted and unsalted butter as referred to in Article 28(a) of Regulation (EC) No 1234/2007 for butter that entered into contractual storage by 28 February 2010.

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Article 2

1. Regulation (EC) No 826/2008 shall apply save as otherwise provided for in this Regulation.

2. By way of derogation from Article 7(3) of Regulation (EC) No 826/2008 applications shall only relate to products that have been fully placed into storage.

Article 3

The unit of measurement referred to in Article 16(2)(c) of Regulation (EC) No 826/2008 is the 'storage lot' which corresponds to the quantity of the product covered by this Regulation, weighing at least one tonne and of homogeneous composition and quality, produced in a single factory, taken into storage in a single warehouse on a single day.

Article 4

1. The aid for the products referred to in Article 1 shall be:

— EUR 15,62 per tonne of storage for fixed storage costs,

— EUR 0,44 per tonne per day of contractual storage.

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2. Entry into contractual storage shall take place:

(a) between 1 January and 15 August 2009; or

(b) between 16 August 2009 and 28 February 2010.

3. Removal from storage may take place only as:

(a) from 16 August 2009 for the products entered into contractual storage in the period referred in paragraph 2(a);

(b) from 16 August 2010 for the products entered into contractual storage in the period referred in paragraph 2(b).

4. Contractual storage shall end:

(a) on the day preceding that of the removal from storage or at the latest the last day of February following the year of entry into storage for the products entered into contractual storage in the period referred in paragraph 2(a);

(b) on the day preceding that of the removal from storage for the products entered into contractual storage in the period referred in paragraph 2(b).

5. Aid may be granted only where the contractual storage period is:

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(a) between 90 and 227 days for the products stored in the period referred in paragraph 2(a);

(b) maximum 365 days for the products stored in the period referred in paragraph 2(b).

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Article 5

Member States shall notify the Commission each Tuesday by 12 noon (Brussels time) the quantities for which contracts have been concluded as required under Article 35(1)(a) of Regulation (EC) No 826/2008, as well as the quantities of products for which applications to conclude contracts have been submitted.

Article 6

1. Article 20, first paragraph, point (a) of Regulation (EC) No 826/2008 shall not apply.

2. Member States may waive the requirements referred to in Article 22(1)(e) of Regulation (EC) No 826/2008 to mark the contract number provided the store manager undertakes to enter the contract number in the register referred to in Annex I point III to that Regulation.

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3. By way of derogation from Article 31(2) of Regulation (EC) No 826/2008, the advance payment for the butter entered into contractual storage during the period referred to in Article 4(2)(b) of the present Regulation shall not exceed the amount of aid corresponding to a storage period of 168 days.

4. By way of derogation from Article 36(6) of Regulation (EC) No 826/2008, at the end of the contractual storage period, the authority responsible for checking shall, throughout the whole of the removal period from August 2009 to February 2010, in respect of at least one half of the number of contracts, by sampling, verify weight and identification of the butter in storage.

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Article 7

This Regulation shall enter into force on the third day following that of its publication in the *Official Journal of the European Union*.

It shall apply to applications for aid submitted as from 1 January 2009.

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