COMMISSION IMPLEMENTING REGULATION (EU) No 1064/2013

of 30 October 2013

fixing the coefficients applicable to cereals exported in the form of Scotch whisky for the period 2013/2014

THE EUROPEAN COMMISSION,

Having regard to the Treaty on the Functioning of the European Union,

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],

Having regard to Commission Regulation (EC) No 1670/2006 of 10 November 2006 laying down certain detailed rules for the application of Council Regulation (EC) No 1784/2003 as regards the fixing and granting of adjusted refunds in respect of cereals exported in the form of certain spirit drinks [2], and in particular Article 5 thereof,

Whereas:

(1) Article 4(1) of Regulation (EC) No 1670/2006 lays down that the quantities of cereals eligible for a refund are to be the quantities placed under control and distilled, weighted by a coefficient to be fixed annually for each Member State concerned. The coefficient is to express the ratio between the total quantities exported and the total quantities marketed of the spirit drink concerned, on the basis of the trend noted in those quantities during the number of years corresponding to the average ageing period of the spirit drink in question.

(2) According to the information provided by the United Kingdom in respect of the period 1 January to 31 December 2012, the average ageing period for Scotch whisky in 2012 was seven years.

(3) Commission Implementing Regulation (EU) No 745/2012 [3] has ceased to be operative given that it concerns the coefficients applicable for the year 2012/2013. The coefficients for the period 1 October 2013 to 30 September 2014 should therefore be fixed accordingly.

(4) Article 10 of Protocol 3 to the Agreement on the European Economic Area excludes the granting of refunds in respect of exports to Liechtenstein, Iceland and Norway. Moreover, the Union has concluded agreements abolishing export refunds with certain third countries. Consequently, pursuant to Article 7(2) of Regulation (EC) No 1670/2006, this should be taken into account in calculating the coefficients for 2013/2014,

HAS ADOPTED THIS REGULATION:

Article 1

For the period 1 October 2013 to 30 September 2014, the coefficients provided for in Article 4 of Regulation (EC) No 1670/2006 applying to cereals used in the United Kingdom for producing Scotch whisky shall be as set out in the Annex to this Regulation.

Article 2

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

It shall apply from 1 October 2013 to 30 September 2014.

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

Done at Brussels, 30 October 2013.

For the Commission
The President
José Manuel BARROSO

[1] OJ L 299, 16.11.2007, p. 1.
[2] OJ L 312, 11.11.2006, p. 33.
[3] Commission Implementing Regulation (EU) No 745/2012 of 16 August 2012 fixing the coefficients applicable to cereals exported in the form of Scotch whisky for the period 2012/2013 (OJ L 219, 17.8.2012, p. 13).

ANNEX

Coefficients applicable in the United Kingdom		
Period of application	Coefficient applicable	
	to malted barley used in the production of malt whisky	to cereals used in the production of grain whisky
From 1 October 2013 to 30 September 2014	0,667	0,515