

REGULATION (EEC) No 1790/74 OF THE COMMISSION

of 9 July 1974

linking the importation of beef and veal to the sale of meat held by the intervention agencies

THE COMMISSION OF THE EUROPEAN COMMUNITIES,

Having regard to the Treaty establishing the European Economic Community;

Having regard to Council Regulation (EEC) No 805/68⁽¹⁾ of 27 June 1968 on the common organization of the market in beef and veal, as last amended by Regulation (EEC) No 187/73⁽²⁾, and in particular Article 21 (2) thereof;

Whereas the prices of beef and veal on the representative markets of the Community are now lower than the intervention price; whereas the intervention machinery does not enable this situation to be remedied at short notice;

Whereas the predominant characteristics of the present situation on the Community markets are (i) the existence of large stocks of frozen beef and veal held by the intervention agencies and (ii) an abundant supply of meat for intervention; whereas if it is intended to re-establish the normal operation of the intervention machinery, measures must be taken to make available the limited capacity for storage;

Whereas this situation is the result of a surplus of supply in which imports from third countries play a considerable part; whereas, at first, special measures were taken by Commission Regulation (EEC) No 1084/74⁽³⁾ of 30 April 1974 linking the importation of frozen beef and veal to the sale of meat held by the intervention agencies;

Whereas these measures have not enabled such meat to be sold in satisfactory quantities or at a satisfactory rate;

Whereas in these circumstances the importation not only of frozen beef and veal but also of beef and veal which is fresh, chilled, salted, in brine, dried or smoked should be linked to the sale of meat held by the intervention agencies; whereas this extension of the linking system should remove the commercial difficulties caused by the original measures, the result of which has been a considerable drop in imports of frozen beef and veal;

Whereas the import system laid down by this Regulation constitutes a continuation of the rules currently applicable; whereas it should be specified that, in respect of linking operations and intervention

purchases of meat, endorsements made in accordance with the existing rules but with reference to the new system do not give rise to entitlement to the issue of an import licence or an advance fixing certificate,

HAS ADOPTED THIS REGULATION:

Article 1

1. The issue of import licences in respect of the types of meat referred to in Article 1 (a) of Regulation (EEC) No 805/68 shall be subject to the production of a contract of sale, at a price fixed in advance at a standard rate, in respect of frozen beef or veal held by an intervention agency.

2. The contract of sale shall entitle the person concerned to be issued with an import licence or an advance fixing certificate in respect of an identical quantity of live weight of live animals. 100 kilogrammes of boneless meat shall, for this purpose, be equivalent to 130 kilogrammes of unboned meat, and 100 kilogrammes of live animal equivalent to 100 kilogrammes of unboned meat. The number of animals to be imported for a given quantity shall be a number whose aggregate weight does not exceed by more than 500 kilogrammes the quantity of meat indicated in the contract.

Article 2

Where a licence is issued under Article 1, one of the following endorsements:

‘Jumelage’
‘Koblingstransaktioner’
‘Kopplung’
‘Linked sale’
‘Abbinamento’
‘Koppeling’

shall be entered on the original of the contract of sale, together with the quantity of meat in respect of which a licence has been issued.

Article 3

This Regulation shall be without prejudice to imports effected under Community tariff quotas for (i) heifers and cows, other than those intended for slaughter, of certain mountain breeds and (ii) frozen beef and veal.

⁽¹⁾ OJ No L 148, 28. 6. 1968, p. 24.

⁽²⁾ OJ No L 25, 30. 1. 1973, p. 23.

⁽³⁾ OJ No L 121, 3. 5. 1974, p. 32.

Article 4

The endorsements to be made pursuant to Article 1 (5) of Regulation (EEC) No 1162/74⁽¹⁾, as last amended by Regulation (EEC) No 1710/74⁽²⁾, Article 1 (2) of Regulation (EEC) No 1456/74⁽³⁾ and Article 1 (2) of Regulation (EEC) No 1458/74⁽⁴⁾, shall be deemed to refer to licences and contracts issued and produced in accordance with this Regulation.

Article 5

Regulation (EEC) No 1084/74 is hereby repealed.

Article 6

This Regulation shall enter into force on 13 July 1974.

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

Done at Brussels, 9 July 1974.

For the Commission

The President

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⁽¹⁾ OJ No L 127, 9. 5. 1974, p. 36.

⁽²⁾ OJ No L 180, 3. 7. 1974, p. 16.

⁽³⁾ OJ No L 155, 12. 6. 1974, p. 12.

⁽⁴⁾ OJ No L 155, 12. 6. 1974, p. 24.