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COUNCIL

Estimate of supply and demand for beef and veal in the processing industry for the period 1 January to 31 December 1977

(77/64/EEC)

THE COUNCIL OF THE EUROPEAN COMMUNITIES,

Having regard to the Treaty establishing the European Economic Community,

Having regard to Council Regulation (EEC) No 805/68 of 27 June 1968 on the common organization of the market in beef and veal (1), as last amended by Regulation (EEC) No 568/76 (2), and in particular Article 14 (2) thereof,

Having regard to the proposal from the Commission,

HAS ADOPTED THIS ESTIMATE :

Introduction

This estimate covers the period from 1 January to 31 December 1977. It has been drawn up in the light of information available to the Commission and on the basis of forecasts that can be made at present. It is derived from estimates of demand in the industry and of Community supplies of meat of qualities and types of cut suitable for industrial use, hereinafter referred to as ' ..t for processing'.

Demand in the industry for meat for processing has been assessed by reference to the quantities of fresh and frozen meat used each year.

Community supplies of meat for processing have been estimated by reference to the quantities of fresh meat normally used for this purpose.

(1) OJ No L 148, 28. 6. 1968, p. 24.
(2) OJ No L 67, 15. 3. 1976, p. 28.

CHAPTER I

Industrial demand for meat for processing

According to information supplied to the Commission by the Member States in October 1976, Community demand for meat for processing in 1977 can be estimated at 1 090 000 tonnes of meat on the bone. This figure includes quantities required for the preparation of preserved foods as specified in Article 14 (2) of Regulation (EEC) No 805/68.

The latter quantities, estimated at 105 000 tonnes, can be covered under normal market conditions by Community production and by imports of frozen meat from third countries not subject to levy pursuant to Article 14 (3) (a) of Regulation (EEC) No 805/68.

However, it should be noted that this particular arrangement has been suspended since 2 May 1974 by Commission Regulation (EEC) No 1063/74 of 30 April 1974 suspending the special import arrangements for frozen meat intended for the manufacture of certain preserved foods (3).

CHAPTER II

Supplies of meat for processing

According to information supplied to the Commission by the Member States in October 1976, Community supplies of home-produced fresh meat for processing for 1977 can be estimated at 750 000 tonnes of meat on the bone.

Moreover, at the end of 1976, there exists in the Community a public stock of meat as a result of

(3) OJ No L 119, 1. 5. 1974, p. 70.

standing intervention purchases and a stock of meat held in private storage under Regulations (EEC) No 1204/76 (1) and (EEC) No 1500/76 (2). The total quantity of this meat satisfying the requirements of meat for processing can be estimated at 250 000 tonnes of meat on the bone.

Finally, imports to be effected in 1977 under the GATT quota and the ACP-EEC Convention represent approximately 15 000 tonnes of meat on the bone of meat satisfying the requirements of meat for processing.

Conclusion

The needs of the processing industries, including those producing preserved foods as referred to in Chapter I which contain no characteristic components other than beef and jelly, have been estimated at 1 090 000 tonnes of meat on the bone.

Part of these needs can be met out of Community production in 1977, stocks in store at the end of 1976 and imports under the GATT quota and the ACP-EEC Convention, representing a total of 1 015 000 tonnes of meat on the bone of meat satisfying the requirements of meat for processing.

The deficit of meat for processing for 1977 can therefore be estimated at 75 000 tonnes.

Done at Brussels, 21 December 1976.

For the Council

The President

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(1) OJ No L 33, 22. 5. 1976, p. 28.
(2) OJ No L 167, 26. 6. 1976, p. 31.