

**COUNCIL REGULATION (EEC) No 3643/85
of 19 December 1985**

**concerning the import arrangements applicable to certain third countries in the
sheepmeat and goatmeat sector as from 1986**

THE COUNCIL OF THE EUROPEAN COMMUNITIES,

Having regard to the Treaty establishing the European Economic Community, and in particular Article 43 thereof,

Having regard to the proposal from the Commission ⁽¹⁾,

Having regard to the opinion of the European Parliament ⁽²⁾,

Whereas Council Regulation (EEC) No 1837/80 of 27 June 1980 on the common organization of the market in sheepmeat and goatmeat ⁽³⁾, as last amended by Regulation (EEC) No 1312/85 ⁽⁴⁾, established arrangements for trade with non-member countries in this sector; whereas the arrangements include the collection of an import levy;

Whereas the Community has concluded voluntary restraint agreements with the great majority of the third countries exporting sheepmeat and goatmeat products;

Whereas, pending the conclusion of agreements with other third countries which traditionally export to the Community, it would seem appropriate to restrict the

collection of the levy and the issue of import licences in respect of certain products from these countries;

Whereas imports into the Member States should be allowed on the basis of traditional trade flows;

Whereas it seems expedient to recall that this Decision is without prejudice to Council Directive 72/462/EEC of 12 December 1972 on health and veterinary inspection problems upon importation of bovine animals and swine and fresh meat from third countries ⁽⁵⁾, as last amended by Directive 83/91/EEC ⁽⁶⁾,

HAS ADOPTED THIS REGULATION:

Article 1

1. The import levy applicable to the following products shall be limited to a maximum of 10 % *ad valorem*, subject to annual quantitative limits expressed in tonnes of carcase equivalent for each third country concerned and by category:

CCT heading No	Description	Third country concerned and quantity		
		Chile	Spain (a)	Other non-member countries (b)
01.04	Live sheep and goats : B. Other (b)	0	0	100
02.01	Meat and edible offal of the animals falling within heading No 01.01, 01.02, 01.03 or 01.04, fresh, chilled or frozen : A. Meat : IV. Of sheep or goats : a) Fresh or chilled b) Frozen	0 1 490	100 0	100 200 (d)

(a) Up to 28 February 1986.

(b) Excluding Argentina, Australia, Austria, Bulgaria, Czechoslovakia, Hungary, Iceland, New Zealand, Poland, Romania, Uruguay and Yugoslavia.

(c) The coefficient to be employed for converting net mass (live weight) into carcase mass (carcase weight equivalent) shall be 0,47 for products falling within subheading 01.04 B of the Common Customs Tariff.

(d) Of which 100 tonnes shall be reserved for Greenland.

⁽¹⁾ OJ No C 257, 9. 10. 1985, p. 7.

⁽²⁾ Opinion delivered on 13. 12. 1985 (not yet published in the Official Journal).

⁽³⁾ OJ No L 183, 16. 7. 1980, p. 1.

⁽⁴⁾ OJ No L 137, 27. 5. 1985, p. 22.

⁽⁵⁾ OJ No L 302, 31. 12. 1972, p. 28.

⁽⁶⁾ OJ No L 59, 5. 3. 1983, p. 34.

2. Member States may be authorized to issue import licences for the products referred to in paragraph 1 up to the limit of quantities corresponding to their traditional imports coming from the third countries concerned.

Article 2

For the products and countries specified in Article 1, import licences shall be issued as provided for in Article 16 of Regulation (EEC) No 1837/80 subject to the annual quantitative limits laid down in Article 1.

Article 3

Detailed rules for the application of this Regulation shall be adopted in accordance with the procedure laid down in Article 26 of Regulation (EEC) No 1837/80.

Article 4

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

It shall apply from 1 January 1986 until voluntary restraint agreements with the third countries concerned are implemented and for as long as the voluntary restraint agreements already concluded by the Community remain in force.

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

Done at Brussels, 19 December 1985.

For the Council

The President

M. FISCHBACH
