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supplementing Regulation (EEC) No 1097/68 as regards the definition of frozen beef and veal of qualities and cuts suitable for industrial use

THE COMMISSION OF THE EUROPEAN COMMUNITIES,

HAS ADOPTED THIS REGULATION:

Having regard to the Treaty establishing the European Economic Community;

Article 1

An Article 8a worded as follows shall be inserted after Article 8 in Regulation (EEC) No 1097/68:

Having regard to Council Regulation (EEC) No 805/68¹ of 27 June 1968 on the common organisation of the market in beef and veal, and in particular Article 14 (4) thereof;

'Article 8a

Whereas detailed rules for the application of intervention measures in the market in beef and veal were laid down in Regulation (EEC) No 1097/68²;

1. For the purposes of Article 14 (3) (b) (aa) of Regulation (EEC) No 805/68, the products listed in section (c) of the Annex to that Regulation under the following tariff headings:

(a) 02.01 A II (a) 2 (bb);

(b) 02.01 A II (a) 2 (dd) ex 22, if obtained from products listed in the same section under tariff headings 02.01 A II (a) 2 (aa) and 02.01 A II (a) 2 (bb)

shall be considered as frozen meats of qualities and cuts suitable for industrial use.

Whereas, in order to apply the provisions of Article 14 (3) (b) (aa) of Regulation (EEC) No 805/68, the products considered suitable for industrial use need to be defined; whereas, having regard to the products normally used by the processing industry, such definition must include products in which the percentage by weight of fat, though varying from product to product, is fairly low;

2. For the product referred to in subparagraph 1 (a), the weight of the visible internal and external fat for a given consignment shall not exceed 15% of the weight of the product expressed in boned meat.

Whereas it is therefore necessary to supplement Regulation (EEC) No 1097/68 in this respect;

This percentage may vary by 1.5% within each consignment.

Whereas, however, in order to facilitate the transition from the system formerly applied to that established by Regulation (EEC) No 805/68, a higher percentage by weight of fat should be prescribed for forequarters that were not the subject of sales contracts by 29 July 1968;

However, for frozen meats within the meaning of subparagraph 1 (a) which were not sold by 29 July 1968, the percentage mentioned in the first subparagraph shall be raised to 19% of the weight of the product expressed in boned meat, subject to the same variation of 1.5% within each consignment.

Whereas the measures provided for in this Regulation are in accordance with the Opinion of the Management Committee for Beef and Veal;

For the product referred to in subparagraph 1 (b), the weight of the fat, whether visible or interstitial, shall not exceed 6% of the weight of the product.

¹ OJ No L 148, 28.6.1968, p. 24.

² OJ No L 184, 29.7.1968, p. 5.

3. Products bought in which fall within the definitions stated in paragraph 1 shall be stored by identifiable consignments and be separately recorded.'

Article 2

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

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

Done at Brussels, 20 August 1968.

For the Commission

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