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REGULATION (EEC) No 2851/72 OF THE COMMISSION
of 29 December 1972
fixing the reference prices for fishery products operative for 1973

THE COMMISSION OF THE EUROPEAN COMMUNITIES,

Having regard to the Treaty establishing the European Economic Community;

Having regard to Council Regulation (EEC) No 2142/70¹ of 20 October 1970 on the common organisation of the market in fishery products, as last amended by the Act² annexed to the Treaty concerning the accession of new Member States to the European Economic Community and the European Atomic Energy Community, signed at Brussels on 22 January 1972, and in particular the first subparagraph of Article 18 (6) thereof;

Whereas Article 18 (1) of Regulation (EEC) No 2142/70 provides *inter alia* for the fixing each year of reference prices valid in the Community for the products listed in Annexes I (A) and (C) and II to that Regulation;

Whereas Article 18 (2) of the Regulation aforesaid provides that for the products listed in Annex I (A) and (C) thereto such price is equal to not less than 60% and not more than 90% of the guide price;

Whereas the guide prices for the fishery products listed in Annex I (A) and (C) to Regulation (EEC) No 2142/70 were fixed for the 1973 fishing year by Council Regulation (EEC) No 2709/72³ of 19 December 1972;

Whereas it is essential to fix reference prices if appropriate measures are to be applied to protect Community production; whereas the implementation of such measures is closely linked with those taken within the Community to stabilise markets, in particularly by the application of the system of withdrawal prices below which producers organisations do not

put up for sale the produce of their members; whereas the reference price must be fixed by applying to the guide price a percentage lying within the limits used in fixing the withdrawal price; whereas in this last case the percentage must be based in particular on the supply and demand situation on the market;

Whereas for these reasons the withdrawal prices, to the extent that they lie within the limits set for this purpose, and otherwise the lowest acceptable level, should be used for the reference price;

Whereas the reference prices for the products listed in Annex II to Regulation (EEC) No 2142/70 must be derived from the guide prices therefor and fixed by reference to the price level at which intervention measures in respect of these products become applicable; whereas the reference prices for these products should therefore be fixed at 85% of the guide prices;

Whereas the measures provided for in this Regulation are in accordance with the Opinion of the Management Committee for Fishery Products;

HAS ADOPTED THIS REGULATION:

Article 1

The reference prices for the products in Annex I (A) and C and Annex II to Regulation (EEC) No 2142/70 shall be as shown in the Annex to this Regulation.

These prices relate to products of the quality class next below that used in fixing the guide price and correspond to the price of the product on first wholesale sale after unloading in Community ports.

They shall apply until 31 December 1973.

¹ OJ No L 236, 27.10.1970, p. 5.

² OJ No L 73, 27.3.1972, p. 14.

³ OJ No L 291, 28.12.1972, p. 7.

Article 2

This Regulation shall enter into force on 1 January 1973.

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

Done at Brussels, 29 December 1972.

For the Commission

The President

S. L. MANSHOLT

ANNEX

I. Reference prices for the products listed in Annex I (A) and (C) to Regulation (EEC) No 2142/70

| Products | Reference prices (u.a./100 kg) |
|---|-----------------------------------|
| 1. Herrings | 142 |
| 2. Sardines | |
| (a) Atlantic | 284 |
| (b) Mediterranean | 157 |
| 3. Redfish | 267 |
| 4. Cod | 232 |
| 5. Coalfish | 145 |
| 6. Haddock | 150 |
| 7. Whiting | 172 |
| 8. Mackerel | 145 |
| 9. Anchovies | 257 |
| 10. Plaice | 197 |
| 11. Shrimps of the genus <i>Crangon</i> sp.p. | 425 |

II. Reference prices for the products listed in Annex II to Regulation (EEC) No 2142/70

| Products | Reference prices (u.a./100 kg) |
|---|-----------------------------------|
| 1. Sardines | 187 |
| 2. Sea bream of the species <i>Dentex dentex</i> and <i>Pagellus</i> | 519 |
| 3. Squid (<i>Loligo</i> sp.p., <i>Ommastrephes sagittatus</i> , <i>Todarodes sagittatus</i> , <i>Illex coindetti</i>) | 935 |
| 4. Cuttlefish of the species <i>Sepia officinalis</i> , <i>Rossia macrosoma</i> , <i>Sepiola rendeleti</i> | 553 |
| 5. Octopus | 400 |