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► <b><u>M3</u></b> Commission Regulation (EEC) No 3582/81 of 14 December 1981	L 359	14	15.12.1981
► <b><u>M4</u></b> Commission Regulation (EEC) No 3434/87 of 17 November 1987	L 327	7	18.11.1987

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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 of 27 June 1968 on the common organization of the market in beef and veal<sup>(1)</sup>, as last amended by Regulation (EEC) No 2916/79<sup>(2)</sup>, and in particular Article 15 (2) thereof,

Having regard to Council Regulation (EEC) No 2931/79 of 20 December 1979 on the granting of assistance for export of agricultural products which may benefit from a special import treatment in a third country<sup>(3)</sup>, and in particular Article 1 (2) thereof,

Whereas the United States of America will apply special arrangements for an annual quantity of 5 000 tonnes of beef and veal originating in the Community and meeting certain requirements; whereas one of the requirements is that this meat must be accompanied by a certificate of identity issued by the exporting Member State;

Whereas the certificates of identity are to be issued solely for the 5 000 tonnes qualifying for the special arrangements; whereas it is therefore necessary to provide for Commission authorization before the issue of an export licence for the meat in question; whereas, furthermore, the tolerance provided for in Article 2 (4) of Commission Regulation (EEC) No 193/75<sup>(4)</sup>, as last amended by Regulation (EEC) No 2971/79<sup>(5)</sup>, should not be applied for the quantity exceeding that for which the licence has been issued;

Whereas it is necessary to define the nature of the identity certificates, and the necessary procedures for using them;

Whereas the exported quantities cannot be properly verified without special rules regarding evidence of imports into the destination country; whereas the rules provided for in Commission Regulation (EEC) No 192/75<sup>(6)</sup>, as last amended by Regulation (EEC) No 2970/79<sup>(7)</sup>, are the most appropriate; whereas the penalty for failure to submit such evidence should have a genuinely deterrent effect; whereas it is therefore appropriate to provide for a higher security for these export licences than the security provided for in Commission Regulation (EEC) No 571/78<sup>(8)</sup>, as last amended by Regulation (EEC) No 2974/79<sup>(9)</sup>;

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

HAS ADOPTED THIS REGULATION:

*Article 1*

1. This Regulation establishes detailed rules of application in respect of exports to the United States of America of 5 000 tonnes per year of beef and veal of Community origin, fresh, chilled or frozen, qualifying for special treatment.

<sup>(1)</sup> OJ No L 148, 28. 6. 1968, p. 26.

<sup>(2)</sup> OJ No L 329, 24. 12. 1979, p. 15.

<sup>(3)</sup> OJ No L 334, 28. 12. 1979, p. 8.

<sup>(4)</sup> OJ No L 25, 31. 1. 1975, p. 10.

<sup>(5)</sup> See page 34 of this Official Journal.

<sup>(6)</sup> OJ No L 25, 31. 1. 1975, p. 1.

<sup>(7)</sup> See page 32 of this Official Journal.

<sup>(8)</sup> OJ No L 78, 22. 3. 1978, p. 10.

<sup>(9)</sup> See page 49 of this Official Journal.

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The quantity available per quarter shall be 1 250 tonnes plus, in the case of the last three quarters, the quantity, as referred to in Article 15 (6) (c) of Regulation (EEC) No 2377/80, remaining in respect of the previous quarter.

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2. ► **M1** The meat referred to in paragraph 1 must comply with the health protection requirements laid down by the importing third country and relate to animals slaughtered not more than two months in advance of clearance through customs for export. ◀

**▼ M2****▼ B***Article 3*

When the meat is being cleared through customs for export, the certificate of identity defined in Article 4 shall be issued, at the applicant's request, on presentation of the export licence referred to in Article 2 and a veterinary certificate showing the date of slaughter of the animals from which the meat applied for under Article 2 derives.

*Article 4*

1. The certificate of identity shall be made out, with at least one copy, on a form corresponding to the specimen in the Annex.

The certificate is printed in English on white paper measuring 210 × 297 mm. Each certificate shall have an individual serial number assigned by the customs office referred to in Article 5.

The exporting Member State may require any certificates used on its territory to be printed in one of its official languages as well as in English.

2. Copies shall bear the same serial number as the original. Any particulars entered on the original and on the copies shall be typewritten, or, if handwritten, printed in block letters in ink.

*Article 5*

1. The certificate of identity and the copies shall be issued by the customs office where the meat is cleared through customs for export.

2. The customs office referred to in paragraph 1 shall endorse the original certificate in the appropriate section and transmit the certificate to the party concerned, retaining a copy.

*Article 6*

Member States shall take the necessary measures to check the origin and nature of products for which certificates of identity are issued.

**▼ M2****▼ B***Article 8*

This Regulation shall enter into force on 1 January 1980.

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

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## ANNEX

## EUROPEAN COMMUNITIES

1 Exporter		2 Certificate No	ORIGINAL
3 Consignee		<b>CERTIFICATE OF IDENTITY</b> <b>EXPORT OF CERTAIN BEEF AND VEAL</b> <b>TO THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA</b>	
<b>NOTES</b> A. This certificate must be made out in one original and not less than one copy. B. The original and at least one copy must be produced for certification to the customs office at which customs export formalities are completed. C. The original must be produced to the customs authorities of the United States of America.			
1	4 Marks, numbers, number and kind of packages ; description of goods	5 Gross weight	6 Invoice Nos
		7 Net weight	
2	4 Marks, numbers, number and kind of packages ; description of goods	5 Gross weight	6 Invoice Nos
		7 Net weight	
<b>8 DECLARATION BY THE EXPORTER</b> The undersigned exporter declares that the goods described above conform to the provisions of Regulation (EEC) No  At _____, on _____  (Signature)			
<b>9 CERTIFICATION BY THE COMPETENT CUSTOMS OFFICE</b> Customs formalities for export to the USA, including Puerto Rico, of the goods covered by this certificate have been completed.  At _____, on _____  (Signature) _____ (Stamp)			