

COMMISSION REGULATION (EC) No 2790/98
of 22 December 1998

amending Regulation (EC) No 2106/98 laying down special measures derogating from Regulations (EEC) No 3665/87 and (EEC) No 3719/88 as regards beef and veal

THE COMMISSION OF THE EUROPEAN COMMUNITIES,

HAS ADOPTED THIS REGULATION:

Article 1

Having regard to the Treaty establishing the European Community,

Regulation (EC) No 2106/98 is amended as follows:

1. Article 2 is replaced by the following:

'Article 2

Having regard to Council Regulation (EEC) No 805/68 of 27 June 1968 on the common organisation of the market in beef and veal⁽¹⁾, as last amended by Regulation (EC) No 1633/98⁽²⁾, and in particular Article 13(12) and Article 25 thereof,

1. On application by the holder, export licences issued pursuant to Regulation (EC) No 1445/95 and applied for prior to 29 August 1998, with the exception of licences the term of validity of which expired before 17 August 1998, are hereby cancelled and the securities shall be released.

Whereas Commission Regulation (EC) No 2106/98⁽³⁾, as amended by Regulation (EC) No 2157/98⁽⁴⁾, introduces special measures for regularising certain export transactions in the wake of the problems arising on the market in Russia since the second half of August 1998;

2. On application by the operator, the latter shall reimburse any refund paid in advance on products the customs export formalities for which were completed by 29 August 1998 at the latest but which have not yet left the customs territory of the Community or which have been placed under any of the arrangements provided for in Articles 4 and 5 of Regulation (EEC) No 565/80 and the various securities relating to such operations shall be released.;

Whereas the difficulties on the market in Russia are continuing; whereas the situation thereby created has seriously affected operators' possibilities of exporting to that destination; whereas the damaging consequences of this must accordingly be limited by the adoption of special measures enabling the export licences and certain customs procedures already initiated to be cancelled and certain time limits to be extended;

2. in Article 4(1), '150 days' is replaced by '210 days';

3. Article 5 is replaced by the following:

'Article 5

Each Thursday, Member States shall notify the quantities of products covered during the preceding week by the measures referred to in Article 2(1) and (2), specifying the date of issue of the licences and the category concerned.'

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

Article 2

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

⁽¹⁾ OJ L 148, 28. 6. 1968, p. 24.

⁽²⁾ OJ L 210, 28. 7. 1998, p. 17.

⁽³⁾ OJ L 267, 2. 10. 1998, p. 5.

⁽⁴⁾ OJ L 271, 8. 10. 1998, p. 16.

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

Done at Brussels, 22 December 1998.

For the Commission
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