


Procedure file

Basic information		
CNS - Consultation procedure Regulation	1998/0110(CNS)	Procedure completed
Agenda 2000: milk and milk products, reform of the common organisation of the market COM		
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Subject		
3.10.05.02 Milk and dairy products		
8.20.12 Enlargement's agricultural point of view		

Key players			
European Parliament	Committee responsible	Rapporteur	Appointed
	AGRI Agriculture and Rural Development	PPE GOEPEL Lutz	08/07/1997
	Former committee responsible		
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Council of the European Union	Former committee for opinion		
	BUDG Budgets	GUE/NGL MIRANDA Joaquim	03/06/1998
	CONT Budgetary Control	The committee decided not to give an opinion.	
	Council configuration	Meeting	Date
	Agriculture and Fisheries	2178	17/05/1999

Key events			
18/03/1998	Legislative proposal published	COM(1998)0158	Summary
15/06/1998	Committee referral announced in Parliament		
24/11/1998	Vote in committee		Summary
24/11/1998	Committee report tabled for plenary, 1st reading/single reading	A4-0446/1998	
13/01/1999	Debate in Parliament		

28/01/1999	Decision by Parliament	T4-0047/1999	Summary
28/01/1999	Report referred back to committee		
20/04/1999	Vote in committee		Summary
20/04/1999	Committee report tabled for plenary, 1st reading/single reading	A4-0232/1999	
05/05/1999	Debate in Parliament		
06/05/1999	Decision by Parliament	T4-0444/1999	Summary
17/05/1999	Act adopted by Council after consultation of Parliament		
17/05/1999	End of procedure in Parliament		
26/06/1999	Final act published in Official Journal		

Technical information

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Procedure type	CNS - Consultation procedure
Procedure subtype	Legislation
Legislative instrument	Regulation
	Amended by 1999/0246(CNS) Amended by 1999/0254(CNS) Amended by 2003/0011(CNS) Amended by 2004/0254(CNS) Amended by 2007/0026(CNS)
Legal basis	EC Treaty (after Amsterdam) EC 036; EC Treaty (after Amsterdam) EC 037
Stage reached in procedure	Procedure completed

Documentation gateway

Document attached to the procedure		COM(1997)2000	15/07/1997	EC	
Legislative proposal		COM(1998)0158	18/03/1998	EC	Summary
Document attached to the procedure		COM(1998)0182	18/03/1998	EC	
Economic and Social Committee: opinion, report		CES1152/1998 OJ C 407 28.12.1998, p. 0203	09/09/1998	ESC	
Committee report tabled for plenary, 1st reading/single reading		A4-0446/1998 OJ C 098 09.04.1999, p. 0004	24/11/1998	EP	
Committee of the Regions: opinion		CDR0273/1998 OJ C 093 06.04.1999, p. 0001	14/01/1999	CofR	
Text adopted by Parliament, partial vote at 1st reading/single reading		T4-0047/1999 OJ C 128 07.05.1999, p. 0011-0047	28/01/1999	EP	Summary
Committee report tabled for plenary, 1st reading/single reading		A4-0232/1999 OJ C 279 01.10.1999, p. 0007	20/04/1999	EP	
Text adopted by Parliament, 1st reading/single reading		T4-0444/1999 OJ C 279 01.10.1999, p.	06/05/1999	EP	Summary

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Implementing legislative act		32001R2535 OJ L 341 22.12.2001, p. 0029-0069	14/12/2001	EU	Summary
Implementing legislative act		32002R1667 OJ L 252 20.09.2002, p. 0008-0011	19/09/2002	EU	Summary
Implementing legislative act		32003R1157 OJ L 162 01.07.2003, p. 0019-0023	30/06/2003	EU	
Implementing legislative act		32005R0562 OJ L 095 14.04.2005, p. 0011-0041	05/04/2005	EU	Summary

Additional information

European Commission

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Final act

[Regulation 1999/1255](#)

[OJ L 160 26.06.1999, p. 0048](#) Summary

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OBJECTIVE: the proposed regulation forms part of the group of proposals on the reform of the common agricultural policy and translates the guidelines of Agenda 2000 in the milk and milk products sector. SUBSTANCE: the proposal seeks to establish a new common market organization for dairy products. The main elements are as follows: - improved competitiveness by a reduction in internal prices: the Commission proposes applying a 15% reduction in four equal steps to the intervention prices for butter and skimmed milk powder (this decrease goes beyond the Agenda 2000 proposal). Intervention prices in the dairy sector will no longer be fixed annually but for the whole period covered by Agenda 2000; - the conditions for intervention remain unchanged except for butter, where intervention will be explicitly restricted to produce originating in the Community; - provisions concerning private storage aids and marketing measures will be adapted to existing general rules. For school milk a Community aid level (95% of the target price) and a maximum quantity per pupil (0.25 litre of milk equivalent) have been fixed. Provisions for butter purchases have also been specified; - the amount of direct support per producer will be based on the number of premium units, which will be determined by dividing the individual reference quantity by the average milk yield in the Community (support will be targeted on producers rather than quota holders); - the amount of direct payment per premium unit follows the Agenda 2000 proposal but will be sub-divided into a basic payment common to all premium units and an additional payment according to national provisions. The basic cow premium will be phased in gradually by four equal steps in parallel with the reduction in intervention prices. It will reach ECU 100 in the year 2003 and will remain at this level in subsequent years; - the provisions on trade with third countries will be carried over from current legislation. ?

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The Parliament's report, drafted by Mr. Lutz GOEPEL (D, PPE) was not adopted. The matter was then referred back to committee pursuant to Rule 60 (2).?

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In the light of the agreement reached on Agenda 2000 at the Berlin Summit in March and under consultation procedure, the European Parliament adopted the second report by Lutz Goepel (PPE,DE), which approves the Commission proposal for a Council regulation on the common organisation of the market in milk and milk products, subject to the amendments adopted by the Parliament on 28/01/99 and one other new amendment which requires the Commission to submit, by 31/12/2002, a report on the regulation's application, presenting: - proposals enabling the percentage, in relation to the target price for milk for the levy payable if the individual milk quota is exceeded to be set annually for the forthcoming 12-month period (greater flexibility in the superlevy); - proposals for the structure of the COM with regard to the quota arrangements as soon as possible; - proposals for adapting these measures to market and storage conditions with regard to milk products intended for the manufacture of cheese.?

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PURPOSE: on the basis of the Agenda 2000 guidelines on the reform of the common agricultural policy (CAP), to improve by reducing the intervention price, the competitiveness of milk and milk products on internal and external markets while ensuring the stability of farm incomes by means of direct aids to farmers' incomes. **COMMUNITY MEASURE:** Council Regulation 1255/1999/EC on the common organisation of the market in milk and milk products. **CONTENT:** the Regulation establishes a new common organisation of the market in milk and milk products. Measures relating to the internal market will continue to be based on the intervention and public storage of butter and powdered skimmed milk, as well as certain systems of aids, and on specific measures with respect to marketing. The intervention prices for butter and powdered skimmed milk will be reduced by 15% in three equal steps starting in 2005: - for butter, the intervention prices per 100 kg. are set at 328.20 euros for the period running from 1 July 2000 to 30 June 2005; 311.79 euros for the period running from 1 July 2005 to 20 June 2006; 295.38 euros for the period from 1 July 2006 to 30 June 2007; 278.97 euros from 1 July 2007 onwards ; - for skimmed milk powder, the intervention prices per 100 kg. are set at 205.52 euros for the period 1 July 2000 to 30 June 2005; 195.24 euros for the period from 1 July 2005 to 30 June 2006; 184.97 euros for the period 1 July 2006 to 30 June 2007; and 174.69 euros from 1 July 2007 onwards. To ensure that farm incomes are protected, a system of aids will be introduced increasing over three years. This aid will increase in three equal steps to 17.24 euro/tonne in 2007, supplemented by a payment from the EU financial envelope allocated to Member States, which will also be increased over three years from 2005-2007. **ENTRY INTO FORCE:** 26/06/1999. The Regulation is applicable from 01/01/2000.?

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COMMUNITY MEASURE : Commission Regulation 2535/2001/EC laying down detailed rules for applying Council Regulation 1255/1999/EC as regards the import arrangements for milk and milk products and opening tariff quotas. **CONTENT :** this regulation lays down rules for applying, in the milk and milk products sector, import arrangements provided for in the Europe Agreement between the European Community and its Member States and certain central and eastern European countries.?

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COMMUNITY MEASURE : Commission Regulation 1667/2002/EC amending Regulation 2535/2001 laying down detailed rules for applying Council Regulation 1255/1999/EC as regards the import of arrangements for milk and milk products and opening tariff quotas, and derogating from that Regulation. **CONTENT :** Commission Regulation 2535/2001, as last amended by Regulation 1165/2002/EC, lays down, inter alia, detailed rules for the application to milk and milk products of the import arrangements provided for in the Europe Agreements between the Community and certain central and eastern European countries. It should be amended to implement the concessions provided for by Regulations 1151/2002/EC, 1361/2002/EC, 1362/2002/EC and 1408/2002/EC. The new quotas should be opened on 1 October 2002 and the existing quotas reopened if the quantities resulting from the new quotas exceed the quantities opened in July 2002. The import quotas provided for by Regulation 2535/2001/EC normally being opened on 1 July, provision should be made for a derogation from Articles 6, 12 and 14 of that Regulation. Certain new quotas involve limited quantities which render Article 13(2) of the Regulation 2535/2001/EC inapplicable. This provision should therefore be adjusted. Repayment of import duties on products listed in parts 8 and 9 of Annex I to the Regulation 2535/2001 as it existed before the entry into force of this Regulation and imported under licences used from 1 July 2000 falls within the scope of Articles 878 to 898 of Commission Regulation 2454/93 of 2 July 1993 laying down provisions for the implementation of Council Regulation 2913/92/EEC establishing the Community Customs Code, as last amended by Regulation 444/2002/EC. The measures provided for in this Regulation are in accordance with the opinion of the management Committee for Milk and Milk Products.?

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ACT : Commission Regulation 562/2005/EC laying down rules for the implementation of Council Regulation 1255/1999/EC as regards communications between the Member States and the Commission in the milk and milk products sector.

CONTENT : appraisal of the production and market situation in the milk and milk products sector necessitates a regular exchange of information:

- on the operation of the intervention measures provided for in Regulation 1255/1999/EC, particularly with regard to changes in stocks of the products concerned, held by intervention agencies and in private storage;
- on aid for skimmed milk processed into casein and refunds can be fixed only on the basis of information on changes in prices both on the internal market and in international trade;
- on trade, the accurate and regular monitoring of trade flows to assess the effect of refunds requires information on exports of products for which refunds are fixed, particularly the quantities awarded under tendering procedures;
- in view of the implementation of the Agreement on Agriculture concluded under the Uruguay Round of multilateral trade, it requires a wide range of detailed information to be provided on imports and exports, in particular with regard to licence applications and the way licences are used, in order to ensure compliance with undertakings under the Agreement on Agriculture.

ENTRY INTO FORCE : 21/04/2005.

APPLICATION : from 01/07/2005. Article 6.3 states that Member States shall take the necessary steps to ensure that their communications on the prices applied in the Community are representative, accurate and complete. To this end, the Member States shall notify the Commission annually by 31 May at the latest a report following the standard questionnaire in Annex XII.