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(submitted to the Council by the Commission)

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THE COUNCIL OF THE EUROPEAN COMMUNITIES,

Having regard to the Treaty establishing the European Community;

Having regard to Council Regulation (EEC) No 805/68⁽¹⁾ of 27 June 1968 on
the common organization of the market in beef and veal⁽¹⁾, as last
amended by Regulation (EEC) No 1855/74⁽²⁾, and in particular Article 14 (2)
thereof;

Having regard to the proposal from the Commission ;

HAS ADOPTED THIS ESTIMATE :

Foreword

The first and second subparagraphs of Article 14 (2) of Regulation (EEC) No 805/68 provide that "each year before 31 December the Council, acting in accordance with the voting procedure laid down in Article 43 (2) of the Treaty on a proposal from the Commission, shall draw up an estimate of the meat intended for the processing industry, taking account, on the one hand of expected Community supplies of meat of a quality and type of cut suitable for industrial use and on the other of industrial needs, including the needs of industries producing preserved foods which are included in Article 1 (c) and which do not contain characteristic components other than beef and jelly".

If the situation so requires, this estimate may be altered in accordance with the same procedure.

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(1) OJ NoL148, 28 June, 1968, p. 24.

(2) OJ NoL195, 18 July 1974, p. 14.

Introduction

This estimate covers the period 1 January to 31 December 1975. This has been prepared in the light of information available to the Commission and on the basis of forecasts that can be made at present. It is derived from estimates of demand in the industry and of Community supplies of meat of qualities and types of cut suitable for industrial use, hereinafter referred to as "meat for processing".

Demand in the industry for meat for processing has been assessed by reference to the quantities of fresh and frozen meat used each year.

Community supplies of meat for processing have been estimated by reference to the quantities of fresh meat normally used for this purpose.

Chapter I

Industrial demand for meat for processing

According to information supplied to the Commission by the Member States in October 1974, Community demand for meat for processing in 1975 can be estimated at 1 025 600 metric tons of meat on the bone. This figure includes quantities required for the preparation of preserved foods as specified in Article 14 (2) of Regulation (EEC) No 805/68.

The latter quantities, estimated at 98 000 metric tons, can be covered, under normal market conditions by imports of frozen meat from third countries not subject to levy pursuant to Article 14 (3) (a) of Regulation (EEC) No 805/68.

However, it should be noted that this particular arrangement has been suspended since 2 May 1974 by Commission Regulation (EEC) No 1063/74⁽³⁾ of 30 April 1974 suspending the special import arrangements for frozen meat intended for the manufacture of certain preserved foods.

Community demand for meat for processing other than that required for the preparation of preserved foods mentioned above are thus estimated for 1975 at 1 025 600 - 98 000 = 927 600 metric tons.

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(3) OJ No L 119, 1 May 1974, p. 70.

Chapter II

Supplies of meat for processing

According to information supplied to the Commission by the Member States in October 1974, Community supplies of home-produced fresh meat for processing for 1975 can be estimated at 784 430 metric tons of meat on the bone.

It is also estimated that at the end of 1974 the Community will hold a public stock of meat as a result of standing intervention purchases. The quantity of this meat satisfying the requirements of meat for processing can be estimated at 168 750 metric tons of meat on the bone.

With effect from January 1975 the Community will open a tariff quota for 38 500 metric tons of boneless frozen meat, which corresponds to 50 000 metric tons of meat on the bone.

Experience shows that under this quota 21 170 metric tons of frozen meat on the bone will be imported in 1975 for processing.

For 1975, the total available supplies will thus be as follows :

Fresh meat	:	784 430 metric tons
Frozen meat for processing taken over at intervention	:	168 750 metric tons
Frozen meat imported for processing under the GATT quota	:	<u>21.170 metric tons</u>
Total		974 350 metric tons

This calculation takes no account of the quantities of meat held in private storage at the end of 1974 under Commission Regulation (EEC) No 2778/74⁽⁴⁾ providing for the granting of private storage aid for beef. It is likely that the aid granted since 4 November 1974 will enable large stocks to be built up which can be used by the processing industries during 1975.

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(4) OJ No L 294, 1 November 1974, p. 73.

Conclusion

Supplies of home-produced meat for processing, either from production in 1975, or from intervention stocks held at the end of 1974, ~~have~~ been estimated at 953 180 metric tons (974 350 - 21 170).

The needs of the processing industries, excluding those producing preserved foods referred to in Article 1 (c) and containing no characteristic components other than beef and jelly, have been estimated at 926 600 metric tons.

Consequently, supplies of home-produced meat will exceed demand by 25 580 metric tons.

It should be noted that the imports of frozen meat for processing imported under the GATT quota for 1975 and estimated at 21 170 metric tons will constitute additional supplies for the processing industries.

The needs of industries producing preserved foods referred to in Article 14 (2) of Regulation (EEC) No 805/68, estimated at 98 000 metric tons of meat on the bone, can be met out of the surplus of meat for processing, estimated at 46 750 metric tons (25 580 + 21 170), and from the quantities held in private storage at the end of 1974 consequent upon the granting of Community aid at a ~~standard~~ rate fixed in advance for the creation of these stocks.

The deficit of meat for processing for 1975 can therefore be estimated at zero metric tons.
