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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<sup>(1)</sup> 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 1855/74<sup>(2)</sup>, 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 No L148, 28 June, 1968, p. 24.

(2) OJ No L195, 18 July, 1974, p. 14.

## Introduction

This estimate covers the period 1 January to 31 December 1976. 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 1975 Community demand for meat for processing, in 1976 can be estimated at 1 045 150 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 96 050 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<sup>(3)</sup> of 30 April 1974 suspending the special import arrangements for frozen meat intended for the manufacture of certain preserved foods.

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<sup>(3)</sup> 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 1975, Community supplies of home-produced fresh meat for processing for 1976 can be estimated at 762 130 metric tons of meat on the bone.

It is also estimated that at the end of 1975 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 179 920 metric tons of meat on the bone.

At the end of 1975 there will be a stock of meat held in private storage under Commission Regulations (EEC) Nos. 1860/75 (4), 2086/75<sup>(5)</sup> and 2711/75<sup>(6)</sup>, which provide for the granting of private storage aid for beef.

The quantity of this meat satisfying the requirements for processing can be estimated at 91 300 metric tons of meat on the bone.

With effect from January 1976 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 7 770 metric tons of frozen meat on the bone will be imported in 1976 for processing.

In 1976 the quantity of meat to be imported into the Community and originating from Botswana, Kenya, Madagascar and Swaziland

which satisfies the requirements for processing can be estimated at 6. 000 metric tons of meat on the bone.

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(4) OJ No L 183, 19 July 1975, p. 30.

(5) OJ No L 211, 9 August 1975, p. 7.

(6) OJ No L 274, 25 October 1975, p. 14.

For 1976 the total available supplies will thus be as follows :

Fresh meat :	762 130 metric tons
Frozen meat for processing taken over at intervention :	179 920 metric tons
Frozen meat for processing resulting from private storage aid contracts :	91 300 metric tons
Frozen meat imported for processing under GATT quota :	7 770 metric tons
Frozen meat imported for processing under A.C.P. agreement :	6 000 metric tons
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	1 047,120 metric tons
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#### Conclusion

The needs of the processing industries, including those producing preserved foods referred to in Chapter I and containing no characteristic components other than beef and jelly, has been estimated at 1 045 150 metric tons of meat on the bone.

This tonnage can be met out of the supplies available from the total of home production in 1976 plus stocks in store at the end of 1975 and imports under the GATT quota and A.C.P. agreement. This is estimated at 1 047 120 metric tons of meat on the bone.

Therefore the deficit of meat for processing for 1976 can be estimated at ZERO metric tons.