COMMISSION REGULATION (EC) No 2171/2002

of 5 December 2002

amending the rates of the refunds applicable to certain milk products exported in the form of goods not covered by Annex I to the Treaty

THE COMMISSION OF THE EUROPEAN COMMUNITIES,

Having regard to the Treaty establishing the European Community,

Having regard to Council Regulation (EC) No 1255/1999 of 17 May 1999 on the common organisation of the markets in the milk and milk products sector [1], as last amended by Regulation (EC) No 509/2002 [2], and in particular Article 31(3) thereof,

Whereas:

(1) The rates of the refunds applicable from 1 December 2002 to the products listed in the Annex, exported in the form of goods not covered by Annex I to the Treaty, were fixed by Commission Regulation (EC) No 2135/2002 [3].

(2) It follows from applying the rules and criteria contained in Regulation (EC) No 2135/2002 to the information at present available to the Commission that the export refunds at present applicable should be altered as shown in the Annex hereto,

HAS ADOPTED THIS REGULATION:

Article 1

The rates of refund fixed by Regulation (EC) No 2135/2002 are hereby altered as shown in the Annex hereto.

Article 2

This Regulation shall enter into force on 6 December 2002.

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

Done at Brussels, 5 December 2002.

For the Commission
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Member of the Commission

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[1] OJ L 160, 26.6.1999, p. 48.
[2] OJ L 79, 22.3.2002, p. 15.
[3] OJ L 325, 30.11.2002, p. 26.