COMMISSION REGULATION (EC) No 2085/2002

of 25 November 2002

amending Regulation (EC) No 21/2002 establishing the supply balances and Community aid for the outermost regions under Council Regulations (EC) Nos 1452/2001, 1453/2001 and 1454/2001 as regards vegetable oil, products processed from fruit and vegetables and milk and milk products for the French overseas departments and the Canary Islands

THE COMMISSION OF THE EUROPEAN COMMUNITIES,

Having regard to the Treaty establishing the European Community,

Having regard to Council Regulation (EC) No 1454/2001 of 28 June 2001 introducing specific measures for certain agricultural products for the Canary Islands and repealing Regulation (EEC) No 1601/92 (Poseican) [1], as last amended by Commission Regulation (EC) No 1922/2002 [2], and in particular Article 3(6) thereof,

Having regard to Council Regulation (EC) No 1452/2001 of 28 June 2001 introducing specific measures for certain agricultural products for the French overseas departments, amending Directive 72/462/EEC and repealing Regulations (EEC) No 525/77 and (EEC) No 3763/91 (Poseidom) [3], and in particular Article 3(6) thereof,

Whereas:

(1) Commission Regulation (EC) No 21/2002 [4], as last amended by Regulation (EC) No 1976/2002 [5], establishes the forecast supply balances and Community aid for the outermost regions under Council Regulations (EC) No 1452/2001, (EC) No 1453/2001 [6] and (EC) No 1454/2001.

(2) The forecast supply balance for the 2002 calendar year for vegetable oils (except olive oil) for processing in the French overseas departments provides for an annual quantity of 8 500 tonnes for Réunion. Information provided by the French authorities shows that this will be insufficient to cover the needs of the Réunion processing industry. The quantity should therefore be increased to 11 000 tonnes.

(3) The forecast supply balance for the 2002 calendar year for olive oil for the Canary Islands provides for an annual overall quantity of 10 550 tonnes broken down as follows: 550 tonnes for virgin olive oil, 9 600 tonnes for olive oil and 400 tonnes for olive-residue oil. Information provided by the Spanish authorities shows that the quantities allocated for virgin olive oil and olive oil have now been exhausted. They should therefore be increased by setting the overall quantity for the three categories of oil at 14 500 tonnes.

(4) The forecast supply balance for the 2002 calendar year for fruit pulp falling within CN code 2008 and fruit juice falling within CN code 2009 in the French overseas departments provides for annual quantities of 200 tonnes and 50 tonnes respectively. Information provided by the French authorities suggests that these quantities will be insufficient to cover the needs of the processing industry in those departments. They should therefore be increased to 350 tonnes of fruit pulp and 190 tonnes of fruit juice.

(5) The forecast supply balance for the 2002 calendar year for the Canary Islands for products processed from fruit and vegetables provides for annual quantities of 350 tonnes for citrus fruit falling within CN code 2008 30 tonnes and 900 tonnes for other preserved fruits falling within CN code 2008 99. Information provided by the Spanish authorities shows that the quantities allocated for the two products are likely to be insufficient to cover the needs of the processing industry in the Islands. The quantities should therefore be increased to 400 tonnes of citrus fruit and 1 050 tonnes of other preserved fruits. By contrast, information shows that the quantities allocated for apricots and fruit mixtures are not being used and consequently those quantities will be reduced by 50 tonnes and 175 tonnes respectively.

(6) Regulation (EC) No 21/2002 should therefore be amended accordingly as regards the supply of vegetable oils to Réunion and olive oil to the Canary Islands and the supply of processed fruit and vegetables to the French overseas departments and the Canary Islands.

[1] OJ L 198, 21.7.2001, p. 45.
[2] OJ L 293, 29.10.2002, p. 11.
[3] OJ L 198, 21.7.2001, p. 11.
[4] OJ L 8, 11.1.2002, p. 15.
[5] OJ L 305, 7.11.2002, p. 12.
[6] OJ L 198, 21.7.2001, p. 26.

(7) The forecast supply balance for the 2002 calendar year for the Canary Islands for dairy products provides for an annual quantity of 106 300 tonnes for products falling within CN code 0401, i.e. 105 000 tonnes for direct consumption. Information provided by the Spanish authorities shows that the quantity allocated for these products is likely to be insufficient to cover the direct consumption needs of the Islands. It should therefore be increased by 8 500 tonnes. By contrast, information shows that the quantity allocated for butter is not being used and consequently that quantity will be reduced by 750 tonnes.

(8) The measures provided for in this Regulation are in accordance with the opinion of the Management Committee for Oils and Fats, the Management Committee for Products processed from Fruit and Vegetables and the Management Committee for Milk and Milk Products,

HAS ADOPTED THIS REGULATION:

Article 1

Regulation (EC) No 21/2002 is amended as follows:

1. In Annex I 'OVERSEAS DEPARTMENTS', Part 2 is replaced by the following:

'Part 2

Vegetable oil

Forecast supply balance and Community aid for the supply of Community products per calendar year

Description	CN code	Department	Quantity (in tonnes)	Aid (EUR/tonne)
Vegetable oil (1)	1507 to 1516 (2)	Martinique	300	30
		Réunion	11 000	35
		Total	11 300	

(1) For use in the processing industry.
(2) Except 1509 and 1510.

The French authorities may alter the breakdown of the quantity in this part by up to 20 % of the quantity laid down for each department. They shall inform the Commission of any such alteration.'

2. In Annex III 'Canary Islands', Part 3 is replaced by the following:

'Part 3

Vegetable oil

Forecast supply balance and Community aid for the supply of Community products per calendar year

Description	CN code	Quantity (in tonnes)	Aid (EUR/tonne)
Vegetable oils (except olive oil):			
— vegetable oils (processing and/or packaging sector)	1507 to 1516 (1)	20 000	25
— vegetable oils (direct consumption)	1507 to 1516 (1)	9 000	25
Olive oil:			
— virgin olive oil	1509 10 90	14 500	10
— olive oil	1509 90 00		
— olive-residue oil	1510 00 90		

(1) Except 1509 and 1510.'