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THE COMMISSION OF THE EUROPEAN COMMUNITIES,

Having regard to the Treaty establishing the European Community,

Having regard to Council Regulation (EC) No 1260/2001 of 19 June 2001 on the common organisation of the markets in the sugar sector [1], as amended by Commission Regulation (EC) No 680/2002 [2], and in particular Article 10(6) and Article 39(6) thereof,

Whereas:

(1) Article 10(3) and (4) of Regulation (EC) No 1260/2001 laying down that the guaranteed quantity under production quotas should be reduced before 1 October each marketing year if the forecasts for the year in question show an exportable balance (attracting a refund) greater than the maximum laid down by the Agriculture Agreement concluded under Article 300(2) of the Treaty.

(2) The forecasts for the 2002/2003 marketing year indicate an exportable balance exceeding the maximum laid down by the Agreement for that year. It is therefore necessary to fix the difference by which this guaranteed quantity is to be reduced and then to divide it up between sugar, isoglucose and inulin syrup on the one hand and the production regions concerned on the other, using the coefficients established for this purpose.

(3) In accordance with Article 10(5) of Regulation (EC) No 1260/2001, each Member State must then allocate the difference to which it is subject among the producer undertakings established on its territory on the basis of the existing ratio between their A and B quotas for the product in question and the basic quantity A and the basic quantity B for the Member State for this product.

(4) Article 39(5) of Regulation (EC) No 1260/2001 lays down that a reduction in the guaranteed quantity also necessitates a reduction in the presumed maximum raw sugar needs of Community refineries for the marketing year in question. It is therefore necessary to fix the corresponding reduction for these presumed maximum needs and to allocate it among the Member States concerned.

(5) The time limits by which the Member States must establish the reduction applying to each producer undertaking on their territory and communicate the relevant data should be fixed.

(6) The Management Committee for Sugar has not delivered an opinion within the time limit set by its chairman,

HAS ADOPTED THIS REGULATION:

Article 1

1. Pursuant to Article 10(5) of Regulation (EC) No 1260/2001, the guaranteed quantity under production quotas in the sugar sector shall be reduced by 862 475 tonnes, in white sugar equivalent, for the 2002/2003 marketing year.

[1] OJ L 178, 30.6.2001, p. 1.
[2] OJ L 104, 20.4.2002, p. 26.

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2. The reduction referred to in paragraph 1 shall be allocated by product and by region in accordance with Annex I.

Once reduced, the basic quantities used to allocate the production quotas to producer undertakings for the 2002/2003 marketing year shall be those set out in Annex II.

3. The Member States shall establish before 1 November 2002 the specific reduction for each producer undertaking to which a production quota for the 2002/2003 marketing year has been assigned, and also each undertaking's A and B quotas adjusted in accordance with this reduction.

4. The Member States shall inform the Commission of the reductions and adjusted A and B quotas for each producer undertaking established on their territory no later than 15 November 2002.

Article 2

1. Pursuant to Article 39(5) of Regulation (EC) No 1260/2001, the presumed maximum supply needs of Community refineries shall be reduced by 12 588,2 tonnes, in white sugar equivalent, for the 2002/2003 marketing year.

2. The reduction referred to in paragraph 1 shall be allocated among the Member States in accordance with Annex III.

Article 3

This Regulation shall enter into force on the third day following its publication in the *Official Journal of the European Communities*.

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

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ANNEX I

Allocation by product and region of the reduction in the guaranteed quantity

1. *Basic quantities A*

Region	Reduction for A sugar (1)	Reduction for A isoglucose (2)	Reduction for A inulin syrup (3)
Denmark	22 499,0		
Germany	185 916,9	1 790,2	
Greece	10 215,0	652,2	
Spain	21 881,3	2 853,0	
France (metropolitan) (4)	176 339,5	1 048,9	1 079,1
French overseas departments (4)	15 959,2		
Ireland	6 410,8		
Italy	68 219,1	1 027,0	
Netherlands	44 155,4	460,3	3 559,7
Austria	18 750,3		
Portugal (mainland)	1 921,1	501,7	
Autonomous region of the Azores	320,0		
Finland	4 699,8	397,6	
►C1 Sweden ◄	11 848,3		
►C1 Belgium/Luxembourg Economic Union ◄	38 207,7	3 873,2	10 187,6
United Kingdom	36 633,1	1 454,7	

(1) In tonnes of white sugar.
(2) In tonnes of dry matter.
(3) In tonnes of dry matter expressed as white sugar/isoglucose equivalent.
(4) Account has been taken of the second subparagraph of Article 12(3) of Regulation (EC) No 1260/2001.

2. *Basic quantities B*

Region	Reduction for B sugar (1)	Reduction for B isoglucose (2)	Reduction for B inulin syrup (3)
Denmark	6 628,3		
Germany	57 206,1	421,6	
Greece	1 021,3	153,6	
Spain	911,3	304,3	
France (metropolitan) (4)	52 297,9	273,0	253,6
French overseas departments (4)	1 706,1		
Ireland	640,9		
Italy	12 829,9	241,8	
Netherlands	11 646,5	108,4	836,0
Austria	4 376,4		
Portugal (mainland)	191,9	118,1	
Autonomous region of the Azores	32,3		
Finland	469,7	39,8	
►C1 Sweden ◄	1 185,1		
►C1 Belgium/Luxembourg Economic Union ◄	8 203,7	1 065,1	2 398,3
United Kingdom	3 663,6	388,0	

(1) In tonnes of white sugar.