COMMISSION REGULATION (EC) No 30/2003

of 8 January 2003

concerning Regulation (EC) No 2375/2002 opening and providing for the administration of Community tariff quotas for common wheat of a quality other than high quality imported from third countries and derogating from Council Regulation (EEC) No 1766/92

THE COMMISSION OF THE EUROPEAN COMMUNITIES,

Having regard to the Treaty establishing the European Community,

Having regard to Council Regulation (EEC) No 1766/92 of 30 June 1992 on the common organisation of the market in cereals [1], as last amended by Regulation (EC) No 1666/2000 [2], and in particular Article 12(1) thereof,

Whereas:

(1) Commission Regulation (EC) No 2375/2002 [3] provides, in particular, for preferential access for 592 900 tonnes of common wheat originating in other third countries during the period from 1 January to 31 March 2003.

(2) The Commission is required to fix a single reduction coefficient to be applied to quantities covered by import licence applications in excess of the quarterly quota. Import licence applications lodged on 3 and 6 January 2003 for common wheat from other third countries may cover 16 357 452 tonnes and the maximum quantity which may be imported at a duty of EUR 12 per tonne is 592 900 tonnes,

HAS ADOPTED THIS REGULATION:

Article 1

Applications for import licences for Subquota III — Tranche No 1/2003 of the quota for common wheat provided for in Regulation (EC) No 2375/2002 at an import duty of EUR 12 per tonne for common wheat of a quality other than high quality falling within CN code 1001 90 99 lodged on 3 and 6 January 2003 and notified to the Commission shall be accepted for the quantities shown therein reduced by a coefficient of 0,03625.

Article 2

This Regulation shall enter into force on 9 January 2003.

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

Done at Brussels, 8 January 2003.

For the Commission
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[1] OJ L 181, 1.7.1992, p. 21.
[2] OJ L 193, 29.7.2000, p. 1.
[3] OJ L 358, 31.12.2002, p. 88.