

COMMISSION REGULATION (EC) No 1861/98
of 28 August 1998

**fixing the minimum selling prices for butter and the maximum aid for cream,
butter and concentrated butter for the 15th individual invitation to tender under
the standing invitation to tender provided for in Regulation (EC) No 2571/97**

THE COMMISSION OF THE EUROPEAN COMMUNITIES,
Having regard to the Treaty establishing the European
Community,

Having regard to Council Regulation (EEC) No 804/68 of
27 June 1968 on the common organisation of the market
in milk and milk products ⁽¹⁾, as last amended by Regula-
tion (EC) No 1587/96 ⁽²⁾, and in particular Articles 6(3)
and 12(3) thereof,

Whereas the intervention agencies are, pursuant to
Commission Regulation (EC) No 2571/97 of 15
December 1997 on the sale of butter at reduced prices
and the granting of aid for cream, butter and concentrated
butter for use in the manufacture of pastry products,
ice-cream and other foodstuffs ⁽³⁾, as last amended by
Regulation (EC) No 1550/98 ⁽⁴⁾, to sell by invitation to
tender certain quantities of butter that they hold and to
grant aid for cream, butter and concentrated butter;
whereas Article 18 of that Regulation stipulates that in
the light of the tenders received in response to each
individual invitation to tender a minimum selling price
shall be fixed for butter and maximum aid shall be fixed
for cream, butter and concentrated butter; whereas it is
further stipulated that the price or aid may vary according

to the intended use of the butter, its fat content and the
incorporation procedure, and that a decision may also be
taken to make no award in response to the tenders
submitted; whereas the amount(s) of the processing secur-
ities must be fixed accordingly;

Whereas the measures provided for in this Regulation are
in accordance with the opinion of the Management
Committee for Milk and Milk Products,

HAS ADOPTED THIS REGULATION:

Article 1

The maximum aid and processing securities and the
minimum selling prices, applying for the 15th individual
invitation to tender under the standing invitation to
tender provided for in Regulation (EC) No 2571/97, shall
be fixed as indicated in the Annex hereto.

Article 2

This Regulation shall enter into force on 29 August 1998.

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

Done at Brussels, 28 August 1998.

For the Commission

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Member of the Commission

⁽¹⁾ OJ L 148, 28. 6. 1968, p. 13.

⁽²⁾ OJ L 206, 16. 8. 1996, p. 21.

⁽³⁾ OJ L 350, 20. 12. 1997, p. 3.

⁽⁴⁾ OJ L 202, 18. 7. 1998, p. 27.

ANNEX

to the Commission Regulation of 28 August 1998 fixing the minimum selling prices for butter and the maximum aid for cream, butter and concentrated butter for the 15th individual invitation to tender under the standing invitation to tender provided for in Regulation (EC) No 2571/97

(ECU/100 kg)

Formula			A		B	
Incorporation procedure			With tracers	Without tracers	With tracers	Without tracers
Minimum selling price	Butter \geq 82 %	Unaltered	—	227	—	—
		Concentrated	—	—	—	—
Processing security		Unaltered	—	120	—	—
		Concentrated	—	—	—	—
Maximum aid	Butter \geq 82 %		109	105	—	105
	Butter $<$ 82 %		104	100	—	—
	Concentrated butter		134	130	134	130
	Cream		—	—	46	44
Processing security		Butter	120	—	—	—
		Concentrated butter	148	—	148	—
		Cream	—	—	51	—