# Agricultural prices 1996/1997: beef sector (amend. Regul. 805/68/EEC)

1996/0068(CNS) - 14/02/1996 - Legislative proposal

Agricultural prices and related measures 1996/97 - beef and veal. Concerning the period covered by the marketing year, the Commission proposes to amend the normal dates so that it would commence on 1 July from 1996 onwards; the next marketing year would therefore begin on 1 July 1996 and end on 30 June 1997 instead of 1 April 1996 and 30 March 1997 according to the existing rules. In view of the fact that premia are involved (related measures) the Commission proposes: - to delete the second age bracket premium for non-castrated male bovines whilst increasing by 14% the amount of the single premium which results for this type of animal; - to maintain the de-seasonalization premium with a seasonal slaughtering coefficient slightly lower than at present, but calculating this coefficient considering the total number of steers slaughtered in the Republic of Ireland and in Northern Ireland. Also, a possibility of providing an alternative incentive to orderly marketing, financed by a deduction from the second tranche of this steer premium is proposed, for application when the criterion for the application for the de-seasonalization is no longer fulfilled; - finally, not to accept requests made by Germany in respect of the new Länder: for the prolongation of certain derogations from the rules on the application of the suckler cow premium; for the waiving of the 90-head limit on the male animal premium.