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THE JOINT COMMITTEE,

Having regard to the Agreement between the European Economic Community, of the one part, and the Swiss Confederation, of the other part, signed in Brussels on 22 July 1972, hereinafter referred to as 'the Agreement', as amended by the Agreement between the European Community, and the Swiss Confederation, amending the Agreement as regards the provisions applicable to processed agricultural products signed in Luxembourg on 26 October 2004, and its Protocol 2, and in particular Article 7 thereof,

Whereas:

- (1) For the implementation of Protocol 2 to the Agreement, internal reference prices are fixed for the Contracting Parties by the Joint Committee.
- (2) Actual prices have changed on the domestic markets of the Contracting Parties as regards raw materials for which price compensation measures are applied.
- (3) It is therefore necessary to update the reference prices and amounts listed in Tables III and IV(b) to Protocol 2 accordingly.
- (4) As the volatility of the markets is expected to continue, the parties will exchange domestic price information on a bimonthly basis and if substantial differences become apparent an amendment to this Decision may follow

HAS DECIDED AS FOLLOWS:

Article 1

Tables III and IV(b) of Protocol 2 are replaced by the tables in Annex I and Annex II to this Decision

Article 2

This Decision shall apply from 1 August 2008.

Done at Brussels, .

*For the Joint Committee
The Chairman*

ANNEX 1

Table III

EC and Swiss domestic reference prices

Agricultural Raw material	Swiss domestic reference price	EC domestic reference price	Article 4(1) Applied on Swiss side Difference Swiss / EC reference price	Article 3(3) Applied on EC side Difference Swiss/ EC reference price
	CHF per 100 kg net	CHF per 100 kg net	CHF per 100 kg net	€per 100 kg net
Common wheat	63.43	43.07	20.35	0.00
Durum wheat	93.28	92.08	1.20	0.00
Rye	61.46	38.33	23.15	0.00
Barley	48.94	48.94	0.00	0.00
Maize	35.16	35.16	0.00	0.00
Common wheat flour	112.50	68.75	43.75	0.00
Whole-milk powder	678.50	482.57	195.95	0.00
Skimmed-milk powder	555.19	388.12	167.05	0.00
Butter	1005.04	461.82	543.20	0.00
White sugar				
Eggs ⁽¹⁾	255.00	205.50	49.50	0.00
Fresh potatoes	42.00	23.80	18.20	0.00
Vegetable fat ⁽²⁾	390.00	160.00	230.00	0.00

⁽¹⁾ Derived from the prices for liquid birds' eggs, not in shell multiplied with factor 0.85.

⁽²⁾ Prices for vegetable fats (for the baking and food industry) with 100% fat content.

ANNEX II

Table IV

b) The basic amounts for agricultural raw materials taken into account for the calculation of the agricultural components:

Agricultural raw material	Applied on the Swiss side Art 3(2) Applied basic amount	Applied on the EC side Art 4(2) Applied basic amount
	CHF per 100 kg net	€per 100 kg net
Common wheat	17.00	0.00
Durum wheat	1.00	0.00
Rye	20.00	0.00
Barley	0.00	0.00
Maize	0.00	0.00
Common wheat flour	37.00	0.00
Whole-milk powder	167.00	0.00
Skimmed-milk powder	142.00	0.00
Butter	462.00	0.00
White sugar	0.00	0.00
Eggs	36.00	0.00
Fresh potatoes	15.00	0.00
Vegetable fat	196.00	0.00