

**COMMISSION REGULATION (EC) No 550/1999
of 12 March 1999**

**fixing the maximum purchasing price for butter for the 235th invitation to
tender carried out under the standing invitation to tender governed by Regula-
tion (EEC) No 1589/87**

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 Regulation (EC) No 1587/96 ⁽²⁾, and in particular the first subparagraph of Article 7a(1) first indent and Article 7a(3) thereof,

Whereas Article 5 of Commission Regulation (EEC) No 1589/87 of 5 June 1987 on the sale by tender of butter to intervention agencies ⁽³⁾, as last amended by Regulation (EC) No 124/1999 ⁽⁴⁾, provides that, in the light of the tenders received for each invitation to tender, a maximum buying-in price is to be fixed in relation to the interven-

tion price applicable and that it may also be decided not to proceed with the invitation to tender;

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

For the 235th invitation to tender issued under Regulation (EEC) No 1589/87, for which tenders had to be submitted not later than 9 March 1999, the maximum buying-in price is fixed at EUR 295,38/100 kg.

Article 2

This Regulation shall enter into force on 13 March 1999.

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

Done at Brussels, 12 March 1999.

For the Commission

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⁽¹⁾ OJ L 148, 28. 6. 1968, p. 13.

⁽²⁾ OJ L 206, 16. 8. 1996, p. 21.

⁽³⁾ OJ L 146, 6. 6. 1987, p. 27.

⁽⁴⁾ OJ L 16, 21. 1. 1999, p. 19.