Commonwealth of Puerto Rico
DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE
San Juan, Puerto Rico

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Approved: Carlos S. Quirós
Secretary of State

By: [signature]
Assistant Secretary of State

REGULATION

TO REPEAL MARKET REGULATION NO. 7, "TO REGULATE SHIPMENTS OF FARM PRODUCTS FROM THE COMMONWEALTH OF PUERTO RICO", APPROVED ON DECEMBER 5, 1960, AS AMENDED

WHEREAS: Market Regulation No. 7, "To Regulate Shipments of Farm Products from the Commonwealth of Puerto Rico", was approved on December 5, 1960.

WHEREAS: This regulation has as main purposes to require more adequate containers and packaging material, to improve the quality of fresh farm products which are shipped from Puerto Rico and improve their competitive position in the markets of the United States, with similar products originating in other areas.

WHEREAS: One of the main purposes of this regulation, that of requiring more adequate containers and packaging material, has been already achieved, thus making the regulation unnecessary in this respect.

WHEREAS: At present, inspection of fresh farm products by officials of the Puerto Rico Department of Agriculture is unnecessary since said products are inspected prior to their shipment by plant quarantine inspectors of the United States Department of Agriculture.

WHEREAS: On the other hand, since several years ago, shipments of fresh farm products from Puerto Rico to the United States have decreased, due mainly to competence offered by the farm products from the Dominican Republic and from various central american countries, whose costs of production are lower than ours.

WHEREAS: This competence from other production areas difficults the improvement of the competitive position of our farm products in the United States markets.

WHEREAS: Restrictions established in aforesaid Market Regulation No. 7 add a cost element to the farm products which are shipped to the United States.

WHEREAS: The elimination of these restrictions will have no adverse effects on the production and marketing of farm products in Puerto Rico.

THEREFORE: I, Roberto Vázquez, Secretary of Agriculture, in accordance with the authority vested in me by Act No. 241 of May 8, 1950, as amended, hereby repeal Market Regulation No. 7, "To Regulate Shipments of Farm Products From the Commonwealth of Puerto Rico", approved on December 5, 1960, as amended.

LEGAL AUTHORITY AND EFFECTIVENESS: This regulation is promulgated by the Secretary of Agriculture in accordance with the powers vested in him by Act No. 241, approved on May 8, 1950, as amended. The same shall take effect thirty (30) days after publication thereof in two newspapers of general circulation in Puerto Rico, as provided by said Act No. 241, and after filing in the Office of the Secretary of State of Puerto Rico the original and two copies of its Spanish and English texts, pursuant to the provisions of Act No. 112 of June 30, 1957, as amended.

Approved this 13 day April , 1984, in San Juan, Puerto Rico.

Roberto Vázquez
Secretary of Agriculture