POLPETTES with Mozzarella and Tomato

Serves nine

Ground lamb 1½ pound Ground pork 1 pound

White bread 1 slice – crust removed

Milk 4 tbsp Eggs 2, beaten Dry breadcrumbs 1 cup Beefsteak tomatoes 2 large 1½ lb. Mozzarella cheese Fresh oregano, chopped 1 tbsp 16 fillets Anchovies, canned & drained Salt and freshly ground pepper To taste

Place the bread and milk into a small saucepan and gently heat until the bread absorbs all the milk. Mash to a pulp and let cool..

Put lamb and pork into a large bowl and combine well. Add the bread mixture and the beaten eggs. Season with salt and pepper. Mix well and shape mixture into eight 3½" patties.

Sprinkle breadcrumbs on a plate and dredge the patties, coating them thoroughly.

Heat about ¼ " of vegetable oil in a large frying pan. Add the patties and fry for 2 minutes on each side until brown.

Preheat oven to 400° F

Transfer to a greased ovenproof dish, in a single layer.

Lay a slice of tomato on top of each patty, sprinkle with oregano and season with salt and pepper. Place a mozzarella slice on top of each. Arrange two strips of anchovy, placed in a cross on top of each slice of mozzarella.

Bake for approx 10 - 15 minutes until the mozzarella has melted.

Serve hot, straight from the dish.