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Proposal for a

COUNCIL REGULATION (EEC)

amending Regulation (EEC) No 3677/89 in regard to the
total alcoholic strength by volume of certain
quality wines imported from Hungary

(presented by the Commission)

EXPLANATORY MEMORANDUM

For certain high quality Hungarian wines Regulation (EEC) No 3677/89 waived the prohibition on importation into the Community of wine with a total alcoholic strength by volume of more than 15%. Pending conclusion of a general wine agreement with Hungary the waiver was granted only up to 31 August 1991.

Since discussions on an agreement are still in progress it is proposed to extend the waiver to 31 August 1992.

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THE COUNCIL OF THE EUROPEAN COMMUNITIES,

Having regard to the Treaty establishing the European Economic Community,

Having regard to Council Regulation (EEC) No 822/87 of 16 March 1987 on the common organization of the market in wine⁽¹⁾, as last amended by Regulation (EEC) No ⁽²⁾, and in particular Article 70(2) thereof,

Having regard to the proposal from the Commission,

Whereas Article 70(1)(b) of Regulation (EEC) No 822/87 prohibits importation of wine, other than liqueur or sparkling wine, for direct human consumption that has a total alcoholic strength by volume of more than 15%;

Whereas under Article 70(2)(a) of Regulation (EEC) No 822/87 the Council, by Regulation (EEC) No 3677/89 of 7 December 1989 on the total alcoholic strength by volume and the total acidity of certain imported quality wines and repealing Regulation (EEC) No 2931/80⁽³⁾, as amended by Regulation (EEC) No 2178/90⁽⁴⁾, waived this prohibition in the case of certain Hungarian wines; whereas this waiver expires on 31 August 1991; whereas pending the possible conclusion of a wine sector agreement between the Community and Hungary the waiver should be extended for a year,

HAS ADOPTED THIS REGULATION:

(1) OJ No L 84, 27.3.1987, p. 1.

(2) OJ No L

(3) OJ No L 360, 9.12.1989, p. 1.

(4) OJ No L 198, 28.7.1990, p. 9.

Article 1

In Article 1(3) of Regulation (EEC) No 3677/89 "31 August 1991" is replaced by "31 August 1992".

Article 2

This Regulation shall enter into force on 1 September 1991.

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

Done at Brussels,

For the Council

FINANCIAL STATEMENT

Date :

1. BUDGET HEADING : 1000 APPROPRIATIONS : ECU 1 369.5 m

2. TITLE : Proposal for a Council Regulation amending Regulation (EEC) n° 3677/89 on the total alcoholic strength by volume of certain quality wines imported from Hungary.

3. LEGAL BASIS : Council Regulation (EEC) n° 822/87

4. AIMS : To extend by one year the time limit as regards the derogation for the maximum alcoholic strength granted to certain high-quality wines originating in Hungary.

5. FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS	PERIOD OF 12 MONTHS	CURRENT FINANCIAL YEAR (91)	FOLLOWING FINANCIAL YEAR (92)
	5.0 EXPENDITURE - CHARGED TO THE EC BUDGET (REFUNDS/INTERVENTIONS) - NATIONAL AUTHORITIES - OTHER		
5.1 REVENUE - OWN RESOURCES OF THE EC (LEVIES/CUSTOM DUTIES) - NATIONAL	p.m.	p.m.	p.m.

	1993	1994	1995	1996
5.0.1 ESTIMATED EXPENDITURE				
5.1.1 ESTIMATED REVENUE				

5.2 METHOD OF CALCULATION

6.0 CAN THE PROJECT BE FINANCED FROM APPROPRIATIONS ENTERED IN THE RELEVANT CHAPTER OF THE CURRENT BUDGET ? YES/NO

6.1 CAN THE PROJECT BE FINANCED BY TRANSFER BETWEEN CHAPTERS OF THE CURRENT BUDGET ? YES/NO

6.2 WILL A SUPPLEMENTARY BUDGET BE NECESSARY ? YES/NO

6.3 WILL FUTURE BUDGET APPROPRIATIONS BE NECESSARY ? YES/NO

COMMENTS : Extending the time limit for the derogation will allow this type of wine to continue to be imported and therefore the customs duties to be collected. It should be borne in mind that the quantities involved are extremely small (approx. 120 hl in 1990).

FICHE D'IMPACT

Objet : Règlement Conseil modifiant le règlement (CEE) n° 3677/89 en ce qui concerne le titre alcoométrique volumique total de certains vins de qualité importés de Hongrie.

Cette mesure n'a pas d'impact sur les PME et l'emploi.

Diese Massnahme hat weder Auswirkungen auf Klein-und-Mittelbetriebe noch auf die Beschäftigungslage.

This measure has no impact on the small and medium-sized businesses and employment.

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