

COMMISSION DECISION

of 15 July 1974

concerning the additional drying of 63 000 metric tons of common wheat taken over by the Dutch intervention agency during the 1973/74 marketing year

(Only the Dutch text is authentic)

(74/416/EEC)

THE COMMISSION OF THE EUROPEAN COMMUNITIES,

Having regard to the Treaty establishing the European Economic Community;

Having regard to Council Regulation (EEC) No 787/69 ⁽¹⁾ of 22 April 1969 on the financing of intervention expenditure in respect of the domestic market in cereals and rice, as last amended by Regulation (EEC) No 330/74 ⁽²⁾, and in particular Article 4 (1) (d);

Having regard to the request from the Kingdom of the Netherlands addressed to the Commission on 7 June 1974;

Whereas the Netherlands intervention agency holds 63 000 metric tons of common wheat which could only have been disposed of in the short term in the form of denatured wheat for animal feed; whereas because the denaturing premium was fixed at zero, it was not possible to consider offering this common wheat for sale on the market in accordance with the provisions of Article 3 (2) of Regulation (EEC) No 376/70 ⁽³⁾;

Whereas in order to allow for storage of cereals from the 1974 harvest, the Netherlands intervention agency must engage in the transfer of the said 63 000 metric tons of common wheat to warehouses which are not equipped with ventilation equipment; whereas the moisture content of this common wheat should then

be reduced from 16 to 13.5 % in order to permit its storage for a relatively long period without risk of impairing its quality;

Whereas the measures provided for in this Decision are in accordance with the Opinion of the Management Committee for Cereals,

HAS ADOPTED THIS DECISION:

Article 1

For the purposes of Regulation (EEC) No 787/69, it is established that the additional drying to 13.5 % of 63 000 metric tons of common wheat by the Netherlands intervention agency between 1 June 1974 and 31 August 1974 is necessary.

Article 2

This Decision is addressed to the Kingdom of the Netherlands.

Done at Brussels, 15 July 1974.

For the Commission

The President

François-Xavier ORTOLI

⁽¹⁾ OJ No L 105, 2. 5. 1969, p. 4.

⁽²⁾ OJ No L 37, 9. 2. 1974, p. 5.

⁽³⁾ OJ No L 47, 28. 2. 1970, p. 49.