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COMMISSION IMPLEMENTING DECISION (EU) 2024/845

of 12 March 2024

fixing the definitive allocation of Union aid to Member States for school fruit and vegetables and for school milk for the period from 1 August 2024 to 31 July 2025 and amending Implementing Decision (EU) 2023/655

THE EUROPEAN COMMISSION,

Having regard to the Treaty on the Functioning of the European Union,

Having regard to Council Regulation (EU) No 1370/2013 of 16 December 2013 determining measures on fixing certain aids and refunds related to the common organisations of the markets in agricultural products ⁽¹⁾, and in particular Article 5(6) thereof,

Whereas:

- (1) Pursuant to Article 3 of Commission Implementing Regulation (EU) 2017/39 ⁽²⁾, Member States wishing to participate in the Union aid scheme for the supply of school fruit and vegetables, and school milk in educational establishments ('the school scheme') are to submit to the Commission by 31 January each year their request for Union aid relating to the next school year and, if applicable, update the request for Union aid relating to the ongoing school year.
- (2) In order to ensure the effective implementation of the school scheme, the allocation of Union aid for school fruit and vegetables and for school milk among participating Member States should be fixed on the basis of the amounts indicated in the request for Union aid by those Member States and taking into account the transfers between Member States' indicative allocations referred to in Article 23a(4), point (a), of Regulation (EU) No 1308/2013 of the European Parliament and of the Council ⁽³⁾.
- (3) All Member States notified the Commission of their request for Union aid for the period from 1 August 2024 to 31 July 2025, specifying the amount of aid requested for school fruit and vegetables or for school milk, or for both parts of the scheme. In the case of Belgium, Malta, the Netherlands and Sweden, the amounts requested took account of the transfers between the indicative allocations.
- (4) In order to maximise the full potential of available funds, the unrequested Union aid should be reallocated to those Member States participating in the school scheme that indicate, in their request for Union aid, their willingness to use more than their indicative allocation, should additional resources be available.
- (5) In their request for Union aid for the period from 1 August 2024 to 31 July 2025, Sweden sought less than the indicative allocation for school fruit and vegetables. Bulgaria, Czechia, Denmark, Germany, Estonia, Ireland, Spain, Croatia, Cyprus, Latvia, Lithuania, Luxembourg, Hungary, Malta, the Netherlands, Austria, Poland, Slovenia and Slovakia notified their willingness to use more than the indicative allocation for school fruit and vegetables. Bulgaria, Czechia, Denmark, Germany, Estonia, Ireland, Spain, Croatia, Cyprus, Latvia, Lithuania, Luxembourg, Austria, Poland, Slovenia, Slovakia and Sweden notified their willingness to use more than the indicative allocation for school milk. However, no Member State sought less than the indicative allocation for school milk.
- (6) On the basis of the notified information by the Member States, the definitive allocation of Union aid for school fruit and vegetables and for school milk for the period from 1 August 2024 to 31 July 2025 should be fixed.

⁽¹⁾ OJ L 346, 20.12.2013, p. 12, ELI: <http://data.europa.eu/eli/reg/2013/1370/oj>.

⁽²⁾ Commission Implementing Regulation (EU) 2017/39 of 3 November 2016 on rules for the application of Regulation (EU) No 1308/2013 of the European Parliament and of the Council with regard to Union aid for the supply of fruit and vegetables, bananas and milk in educational establishments (OJ L 5, 10.1.2017, p. 1, ELI: http://data.europa.eu/eli/reg_impl/2017/39/oj).

⁽³⁾ Regulation (EU) No 1308/2013 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 17 December 2013 establishing a common organisation of the markets in agricultural products and repealing Council Regulations (EEC) No 922/72, (EEC) No 234/79, (EC) No 1037/2001 and (EC) No 1234/2007 (OJ L 347, 20.12.2013, p. 671, ELI: <http://data.europa.eu/eli/reg/2013/1308/oj>).

- (7) Commission Implementing Decision (EU) 2023/655 (*) fixed the definitive allocation of Union aid for school fruit and vegetables and for school milk among Member States wishing to participate in the school scheme for the period from 1 August 2023 to 31 July 2024.
- (8) In the notifications submitted by 31 January 2024 pursuant to Article 3 of Implementing Regulation (EU) 2017/39, some Member States updated their request for Union aid relating to the school year 2023/2024. Germany, Hungary and Malta notified transfers between the definitive allocation for school fruit and vegetables and the definitive allocation for school milk. Spain sought less than the definitive allocation for school fruit and vegetables. Czechia, Estonia, Ireland, Latvia, Lithuania, Luxembourg, Malta, the Netherlands, Austria and Slovakia notified their willingness to use more than the definitive allocation for school fruit and vegetables. Spain and the Netherlands sought less than the definitive allocation for school milk. Czechia, Germany, Estonia, Ireland, Latvia, Lithuania, Luxembourg, Austria, Romania, Slovakia and Sweden notified their willingness to use more than the definitive allocation for school milk.
- (9) Implementing Decision (EU) 2023/655 should therefore be amended accordingly.
- (10) The measures provided for in this Decision are in accordance with the opinion of the Committee for the Common Organisation of the Agricultural Markets,

HAS ADOPTED THIS DECISION:

Article 1

The definitive allocation of Union aid for school fruit and vegetables and for school milk among Member States participating in the school scheme for the period from 1 August 2024 to 31 July 2025 is set out in Annex I.

Article 2

Annex I to Implementing Decision (EU) 2023/655 is replaced by the text set out in Annex II to this Decision.

Article 3

This Decision is addressed to the Member States.

Done at Brussels, 12 March 2024.

For the Commission
Janusz WOJCIECHOWSKI
Member of the Commission

(*) Commission Implementing Decision (EU) 2023/655 of 10 March 2023 fixing the definitive allocation of Union aid to Member States for school fruit and vegetables and for school milk for the period from 1 August 2023 to 31 July 2024 and amending Implementing Decision (EU) 2022/493 (OJ L 81, 21.3.2023, p. 37, ELI: http://data.europa.eu/eli/dec_impl/2023/655/oj).

ANNEX I

School year 2024/2025

Member State	Definitive allocation for school fruit and vegetables in EUR	Definitive allocation for school milk in EUR
Belgium	3 866 136	1 383 066
Bulgaria	2 185 083	1 800 090
Czechia	3 471 298	3 048 057
Denmark	1 738 084	1 632 431
Germany	21 214 288	8 910 720
Estonia	412 171	754 955
Ireland	1 964 838	826 537
Greece	3 149 503	1 464 086
Spain	13 917 417	6 023 462
France	22 720 501	9 979 209
Croatia	1 319 431	610 533
Italy	15 293 816	6 910 347
Cyprus	300 835	252 652
Latvia	672 013	868 581
Lithuania	923 640	1 236 781
Luxembourg	297 664	193 000
Hungary	2 995 664	2 970 122
Malta	312 950	170 050
Netherlands	5 721 331	1 632 699
Austria	2 415 705	1 015 027
Poland	12 559 346	12 791 591
Portugal	2 804 412	1 301 261
Romania	6 178 236	11 303 390
Slovenia	689 465	305 638
Slovakia	1 915 441	1 659 402
Finland	1 672 943	2 731 455
Sweden	0	8 316 782
Total	130 712 211	90 091 924

ANNEX II

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School year 2023/2024

Member State	Definitive allocation for school fruit and vegetables in EUR	Definitive allocation for school milk in EUR
Belgium	3 815 785	1 433 417
Bulgaria	2 185 256	1 800 090
Czechia	3 507 158	3 124 223
Denmark	1 739 147	1 632 431
Germany	20 984 737	9 628 111
Estonia	416 641	764 787
Ireland	1 986 571	873 414
Greece	3 149 503	1 464 086
Spain	13 751 007	5 736 134
France	18 176 401	14 523 309
Croatia	1 322 043	610 533
Italy	15 293 816	6 910 347
Cyprus	300 828	252 652
Latvia	677 025	882 003
Lithuania	932 083	1 256 256
Luxembourg	299 593	197 646
Hungary	3 588 755	2 376 098
Malta	314 320	170 050
Netherlands	5 776 465	932 699
Austria	2 439 606	1 072 595
Poland	12 565 488	12 791 591
Portugal	2 804 412	1 301 261
Romania	6 178 236	11 433 734
Slovenia	689 729	305 638
Slovakia	1 932 221	1 698 579
Finland	1 672 943	2 731 455
Sweden	0	8 401 227
Total	126 499 769	94 304 366'