

**COMMISSION REGULATION (EC) No 1563/98**

of 20 July 1998

**amending Regulation (EC) No 956/97 laying down detailed rules for the application of Council Regulation (EC) No 2201/96 with regard to specific measures applicable to processed asparagus**

THE COMMISSION OF THE EUROPEAN COMMUNITIES,  
Having regard to the Treaty establishing the European Community,

Having regard to Council Regulation (EC) No 2201/96 of 28 October 1996 on the common organisation of the markets in processed fruit and vegetable products<sup>(1)</sup>, as amended by Regulation (EC) No 2199/97<sup>(2)</sup>, and in particular Article 10(4) thereof,

Whereas Commission Regulation (EC) No 956/97<sup>(3)</sup> provides that representative associations are to submit programmes of specific measures before 30 June 1998; whereas the time required for setting up those representative associations as defined in Article 1(a) of that Regulation has proved to be longer than initially provided for; whereas, as a result, it is necessary to extend the aforementioned time limit by one year to enable that Regulation to be implemented;

Whereas the measures provided for in this Regulation are in accordance with the opinion of the Management Committee for Products Processed from Fruit and Vegetables,

HAS ADOPTED THIS REGULATION:

*Article 1*

In Article 1(b) of Regulation (EC) No 956/97, '30 June 1998' is replaced by '30 June 1999'.

*Article 2*

This Regulation shall enter into force on the seventh day following its publication in the *Official Journal of the European Communities*.

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

Done at Brussels, 20 July 1998.

*For the Commission*

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<sup>(1)</sup> OJ L 297, 21. 11. 1996, p. 29.

<sup>(2)</sup> OJ L 303, 6. 11. 1997, p. 1.

<sup>(3)</sup> OJ L 139, 30. 5. 1997, p. 10.