REGULATION (EEC) No 1719/73 OF THE COMMISSION

of 28 June 1973

providing for a supplementary period for the payment of aid to seed growers for the 1972 harvesting year

THE COMMISSION OF THE EUROPEAN COMMUNITIES,

Having regard to the Treaty establishing the European Economic Community;

Having regard to Council Regulation (EEC) No 2358/71 (¹) of 26 October 1971 on the common organization of the market in seeds, as amended by Regulation (EEC) No 597/73 (²) of 26 February 1973, and in particular Article 3 (5) thereof;

Whereas Article 3 (2) of Commission Regulation (EEC) No 1686/72 (3) of 2 August 1972 on certain detailed rules for aid for seeds provides that a Member State shall pay the amount of aid to the grower within the two months following the lodging of the application and at the latest on 30 June of the year following the harvest; whereas this time limit has been fixed after taking account of the fact that the seed establishment or breeder requires a period in which to treat, pack and have certified the seeds supplied by the grower;

Whereas during the first application certain difficulties have appeared in relation to the observance of the time limit because the system of aid introduced by Regulation (EEC) No 2358/71 obliges the seed establishments or the growers to adapt their activities to the new time limit within a short period; whereas it is therefore useful to extend the said closing date for two weeks;

Whereas the measures provided for in this Regulation are in accordance with the Opinion of the Management Committee for Seeds;

HAS ADOPTED THIS REGULATION:

Article 1

The Member States shall be authorized, by way of derogation from Article 3 (2) of Regulation (EEC) No 1686/72, to pay the amount of aid for seeds of the 1972 harvest not later than 16 July 1973.

Article 2

This Regulation shall enter into force on 1 July 1973.

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

Done at Brussels, 28 June 1973.

For the Commission

The President

François-Xavier ORTOLI

⁽¹⁾ OJ No L 246, 5. 11. 1971, p. 1.

⁽²⁾ OJ No L 57, 2. 3. 1973, p. 3. (3) OJ No L 177, 4. 8. 1972, p. 26.