

Authorisation for State aid pursuant to Articles 87 and 88 of the EC Treaty

Cases where the Commission raises no objections

(2005/C 311/05)

Date of adoption of the decision: 27.5.2004

Member State: Denmark

Aid No: N 57/04

Title: Reduction of land taxes

Objective: Ceiling of 4,6 per mille on the land taxes paid to counties (*amtskommune*) by owners of productive land, i.e. land for agriculture, horticulture, plant breeding stations, and orchards

Legal basis: Lov nr. 1211 af 27. december 2003 om ændring af lov om beskatning til kommunerne af faste ejendomme

Budget: DKK 96 million (approx. EUR 12,9 million) per year

Aid intensity or amount: The ceiling creates an average reduction of around DKK 35 per hectare

Duration: Permanent

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Date of adoption of the decision: 6.7.2004

Member State: France

Aid No: N 79/2004

Title: Aid for farmers in Bourges, Sancerre-Sologne and Vierzon

Objective: Aid for investments to improve agricultural holdings

Budget: EUR 51 300

Aid intensity or amount: Maximum rate of 25 % for the work, up to a maximum of EUR 32 000

Duration: Three years

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Date of adoption of the decision: 16.9.2004

Member State: Italy (Friuli Venezia Giulia)

Aid No: N 85/2004

Title: Call for tenders relating to Action I.1 of the local development plan: Computerisation, e-commerce, direct marketing and certification of firms

Objective: To modernise the marketing structures of agricultural undertakings in the municipalities included in the local development plan for Alpi Prealpi Giulie by means of computerisation on quality certification

Legal basis: Bando pubblico riferito al piano di sviluppo locale: azione I.1 Informatizzazione, e-commerce, direct marketing e certificazione delle imprese 'Progetto 2 — Certificazione delle aziende del settore agricolo'

Budget: EUR 360 000

Aid intensity or amount: The investment aid is capped at 40 % of eligible expenditure, the certification aid is restricted to EUR 100 000 per beneficiary per three-year period

Duration: Five years

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Date of adoption of the decision: 26.10.2004

Member State: Greece

Aid No: N 132/04

Title: FROST aid programmes

Objective: To compensate the losses suffered as a result of adverse weather

Legal basis: Πρόγραμμα ενισχύσεων FROST (δυσμενείς καιρικές συνθήκες κατά την περίοδο από 12 έως 15 Φεβρουαρίου 2004) — σχέδιο κοινής υπουργικής απόφασης

Budget: EUR 20 000 000

Aid intensity or amount: 70 %

Duration: 4 years

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Date of adoption of the decision: 15.4.2004

Member State: Germany (Niedersachsen)

Aid No: N 149/2003

Title: Aid for the disposal of SRMs

Objective: to compensate livestock farmers for the disposal of fallen stock arising at farm level

Legal basis:

- Niedersächsisches Ausführungsgesetz zum Tierkörperbeseitigungsgesetz vom 21. April 1998,
- Directive 90/667 of 27 November 1990;
- Regulation (EC) No 1774/2002 of 3 October 2002;
- Regulation (EC) No 999/2001 of 22 May 2001;
- Commission Decision of 20 June 2000 n. 418, amended by Commission Decision 2001/2 of 27 December 2000, as transposed in the Tierkörperbeseitigungsanstalten-Verordnung of 21 December 2001

Budget: EUR 26,5 million

Aid intensity: 100 %

Duration: until 31.12.2003

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Date of adoption of the decision: 14.10.2004

Member State: Spain (País Vasco)

Aid No: N 162/A/2004

Title: IKERKETA Programme to support research and development in agriculture

Objective: To promote research and development in agriculture and the food industry

Legal basis: Proyecto de Decreto de apoyo a la investigación, desarrollo e innovación tecnológica en los sectores agrario, pesquero y alimentario de la Comunidad Autónoma del País Vasco

Budget: EUR 4 985 000

Aid intensity or amount: Lower than a net subsidy equivalent of 15 %

Duration: Unspecified

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Date of adoption of the decision: 14.10.2004

Member State: Spain (Basque Country)

Aid No: N 178/2004

Title: Aid to offset the effects of the 2003 drought in the Basque Country

Objective: To compensate for agricultural losses caused by the 2003 drought in the Basque Country

Legal basis: Proyecto de Decreto del Gobierno Vasco por el que se establecen ayudas para paliar los efectos de la ola de calor y esquila del verano del 2003 en el agro vasco

Budget: EUR 2 250 000

Aid intensity or amount: Less than the losses suffered

Duration: Ad hoc assistance

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Date of adoption of the decision: 28.7.2004

Member State: Italy (Calabria)

Aid No: N 225/04

Title: Loi 185/92: Interventions dans les zones agricoles endommagées

Objective: To provide meteorological information about storms which have caused damage for which compensation is to be granted under the scheme approved under aid No C 12/B/95

Legal basis: Legge 14 febbraio 1992, n 185 'Nuova disciplina del Fondo di solidarietà nazionale'

Budget: See the approved scheme (C 12/B/95)

Aid intensity or amount: See the approved scheme (C 12/B/95)

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