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COURT PROCEEDINGS

COURT OF JUSTICE

Order of the Court (Sixth Chamber) of 4 December 2014 (request for a preliminary ruling from the Curtea de Apel Timișoara — Romania) — Agenția de Plăți și Intervenție pentru Agricultură (APIA) — Centrul Județean Timiș v Curtea de Conturi a României, Camera de Conturi a Județului Timiș

(Case C-304/13) ⁽¹⁾

(Agriculture — Common agricultural policy — Regulation (EC) No 1782/2003 — Direct support schemes — Conditions for the granting of the complementary national direct payments — Condition not provided for by EU legislation — Condition relating to the absence of debt falling due to the State budget and/or local budget on the date of submission of the application for aid — Not permissible)

(2015/C 056/02)

Language of the case: Romanian

Referring court

Curtea de Apel Timișoara

Parties to the main proceedings

Appellant: Agenția de Plăți și Intervenție pentru Agricultură (APIA) — Centrul Județean Timiș

Respondents: Curtea de Conturi a României, Camera de Conturi a Județului Timiș

Intervener: Agenția de Plăți și Intervenție pentru Agricultură (APIA) — București

Operative part of the judgment

Article 143c of Council Regulation (EC) No 1782/2003 of 29 September 2003 establishing common rules for direct support schemes under the common agricultural policy and establishing certain support schemes for farmers and amending Regulations (EEC) No 2019/93, (EC) No 1452/2001, (EC) No 1453/2001, (EC) No 1454/2001, (EC) No 1868/94, (EC) No 1251/1999, (EC) No 1254/1999, (EC) No 1673/2000, (EEC) No 2358/71 and (EC) No 2529/2001, as amended by the Act concerning the conditions of accession of the Republic of Bulgaria and Romania and the adjustments to the Treaties on which the European Union is founded, and Article 132 of Council Regulation (EC) No 73/2009 establishing common rules for direct support schemes for farmers under the common agricultural policy and establishing certain support schemes for farmers, amending Regulations (EC) No 1290/2005, (EC) No 247/2006, (EC) No 378/2007 and repealing Regulation (EC) No 1782/2003, must be interpreted as precluding national legislation which excludes from the benefit of complementary national aid producers who, on the date of submission of the application for aid, have debts falling due to the State budget and/or local budget, where no condition relating to the absence of such debt has been subject to prior authorisation by the European Commission.

⁽¹⁾ OJ C 52, 22.2.2014.