

Opinion on the proposal for a Council Regulation amending Council Regulation (EEC) No 456/80 on the granting of temporary and permanent abandonment premiums in respect of certain areas under vines and of premiums for the renunciation of replanting

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A. LEGAL BASIS FOR THE OPINION

On 27 May 1980 the Council referred the abovementioned proposal to the Economic and Social Committee in accordance with Article 43 of the Treaty establishing the European Economic Community.

B. OPINION OF THE ECONOMIC AND SOCIAL COMMITTEE

The Economic and Social Committee prepared its opinion on the above matter at its 180th plenary session held in Brussels on 2 and 3 July 1980.

The full text of the opinion is as follows:

THE ECONOMIC AND SOCIAL COMMITTEE,

Having regard to the Treaty establishing the European Economic Community, and in particular Article 43 thereof,

Having regard to the decision of the Council on 27 May 1980 to consult the Economic and Social Committee,

Having regard to the decision of its Bureau on 27 May 1980 to instruct the Section for Agriculture to do the preparatory work,

Having regard to the urgency procedure provided for in Article 46 of the Rules of Procedure;

Having regard to its decision of 1 July 1980 appointing Mr Lauga as rapporteur-general,

Having regard to its previous work in the wine sector, and in particular its opinion of 30 November 1978⁽¹⁾,

⁽¹⁾ OJ No C 105, 26. 4. 1979.

Having regard to the oral report of the rapporteur-general, Mr Lauga,

Having regard to the discussions at its meeting on 3 July 1980 (180th plenary session of 2 and 3 July 1980),

HAS ADOPTED THE FOLLOWING OPINION

with no votes against and 3 abstentions:

1. The Committee approves the proposed regulation.
2. However, it would recall the request it made when it examined the Commission's proposal to convert certain areas under vines in the Charentes region of France, namely that the grubbing-up operations in the Armagnac area be also carried out as much as possible in those areas which were least suited to producing quality spirits.

Done at Brussels, 3 July 1980.

The Chairman
of the Economic and Social Committee
Raffaele VANNI