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I

(Acts whose publication is obligatory)

#### COMMISSION REGULATION (EEC) No 37/77

#### of 11 January 1977

#### fixing the import levies on cereals and on wheat or rye flour groats and meal

THE COMMISSION OF THE EUROPEAN COMMUNITIES,

Having regard to the Treaty establishing the European Economic Community,

Having regard to Council Regulation (EEC) No 2727/75 of 29 October 1975 on the common organization of the market in cereals (1), as last amended by Regulation (EEC) No 3138/76 (2), and in particular Article 13 (5) thereof,

Whereas the import levies on cereals, wheat and rye flour, and wheat groats and meal were fixed by Regulation (EEC) No 1882/76 (3) and subsequent amending Regulations;

Whereas it follows from applying the provisions contained in Regulation (EEC) No 1882/76 to the

offer prices and today's quotations known to the Commission that the levies at present in force should be altered as shown in the Annex to this Regulation,

HAS ADOPTED THIS REGULATION:

#### Article 1

The import levies to be charged on products listed in Article 1 (a), (b) and (c) of Regulation (EEC) No 2727/75 are hereby fixed as shown in the table annexed to this Regulation.

#### Article 2

This Regulation shall enter into force on 12 January 1977.

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

Done at Brussels, 11 January 1977.

For the Commission
Finn GUNDELACH
Vice-President

<sup>(1)</sup> OJ No L 281, 1. 11. 1975, p. 1. (2) OJ No L 354, 24. 12. 1976, p. 1.

<sup>(3)</sup> OJ No L 206, 31. 7. 1976, p. 62.

**ANNEX** 

### to the Commission Regulation of 11 January 1977 fixing the import levies on cereals and on wheat or rye flour groats and meal

(u.a./tonne)

CCT heading Description of goods No		Levies
10.01 A	Common wheat and meslin	84.75
10.01 B	Durum wheat	140.84 (1) (5)
10.02	Rye	63.33 (6)
10.03	Barley	46.45
10.04	Oats	51.66
10.05 B	Maize other than hybrid maize for sowing	53.61 (2) (3)
10.07 A	Buckwheat	0
10.07 B	Millet	57·24 (4)
10.07 C	Grain sorghum	59.82 (4)
10.07 D	Canary seed; other cereals	0 (5)
11.01 A	Wheat or meslin flour	130-11
11.01 B	Rye flour	100-10
11.02 A I a	Durum wheat groats and meal	228.93
11.02 A I b	Common wheat groats and meal	139-67

<sup>(1)</sup> Where durum wheat originating in Morocco is transported directly from that country to the Community, the levy is reduced by 0-50 u.a./tonne.

<sup>(2)</sup> Where maize originating in the ACP or OCT is imported into the French overseas departments, the levy is reduced by 6 u.a./tonne as provided for in Regulation (EEC) No 706/76.

<sup>(2)</sup> Where maize originating in the ACP or OCF is imported into the Community the levy is reduced by 1.50 u.a./tonne.

<sup>(4)</sup> Where millet and sorghum originating in the ACP or OCT is imported into the Community the levy is reduced by 50 %.

<sup>(3)</sup> Where wheat and canary seed produced in Turkey are transported directly from that country to the Community, the levy is reduced by 0.50 u.a./tonne.

<sup>(</sup>e) The import levy charged on rye produced in Turkey and transported directly from that country to the Community is laid down in Council Regulation (EEC) No 2754/75 and Commission Regulation (EEC) No 2622/71.

#### COMMISSION REGULATION (EEC) No 38/77

#### of 11 January 1977

#### fixing the premiums to be added to the import levies on cereals, flour and malt

THE COMMISSION OF THE EUROPEAN COMMUNITIES,

Having regard to the Treaty establishing the European Economic Community,

Having regard to Council Regulation (EEC) No 2727/75 of 29 October 1975 on the common organization of the market in cereals (1), as last amended by Regulation (EEC) No 3138/76(2), and in particular Article 15 (6) thereof,

Whereas the premiums to be added to the levies on cereals and malt were fixed by Regulation (EEC) No 1883/76 (3) and subsequent amending Regulations;

Whereas, on the basis of today's cif prices and cif forward delivery prices, the premiums at present in force, which are to be added to the levies, should be altered as shown in the tables annexed to this Regulation,

#### HAS ADOPTED THIS REGULATION:

#### Article 1

The scale of the premiums to be added, pursuant to Article 15 of Regulation (EEC) No 2727/75, to the import levies fixed in advance in respect of cereals and malt is hereby fixed as shown in the tables annexed to this Regulation.

#### Article 2

This Regulation shall enter into force on 12 January

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

Done at Brussels, 11 January 1977.

For the Commission Finn GUNDELACH Vice-President .

<sup>(1)</sup> OJ No L 281, 1. 11. 1975, p. 1.

<sup>(2)</sup> OJ No L 354, 24. 12. 1976, p. 1. (3) OJ No L 206, 31. 7. 1976, p. 64.

#### ANNEX

## to the Commission Regulation of 11 January 1977 fixing the premiums to be added to the import levies on cereals, flour and malt

#### A. Cereals and flour

(u.a./tonne)

CCT heading No	Description of goods	Current	1st period 2	2nd period 3	3rd period
0.01 A	Common wheat and meslin	0	0	0	0
0.01 B	Durum wheat	0	0	0	0
10.02	Rye	0	0	0	0
0.03	Barley	0	0	0	0
0.04	Oats	0	0	0	0
0.05 B	Maize other than hybrid maize for sowing	0	0	0	0
10.07 A	Buckwheat	0	0	0	0
0.07 B	Millet	0	0	0	0
10.07 C	Grain sorghum	0	0	0	0
0.07 D	Other	0	0	0	0
11.01 A	Wheat or meslin flour	0	0	0	0

#### B. Malt

(u.a/tonne)

CCT heading No	Description of goods	Current 1	1st period 2	2nd period 3	3rd period 4	4th period 5
11.07 A I (a)	Unroasted malt, obtained from wheat, in the form of flour	0	0 .	0	0	0
11.07 A I (b)	Unroasted malt, obtained from wheat, other than in the form of flour	0	0 .	0	0	0
11.07 A II (a)	Unroasted malt, other than that obtained from wheat, in the form of flour	0	0	0	0	0
11.07 A II (b)	Unroasted malt, other than that obtained from wheat, other than in the form of flour	0	0	0	0	0
11.07 B	Roasted malt	0	0	0	0	0

#### COMMISSION REGULATION (EEC) No 39/77

#### of 11 January 1977

#### altering the import levies on products processed from cereals and rice

THE COMMISSION OF THE EUROPEAN COMMUNITIES,

Having regard to the Treaty establishing the European Economic Community,

Having regard to Council Regulation (EEC) No 2727/75 of 29 October 1975 on the common organization of the market in cereals (1), as last amended by Regulation (EEC) No 3138/76(2), and in particular Article 14 (4) thereof,

Having regard to Council Regulation (EEC) No 1418/76 of 21 June 1976 on the common organization of the market in rice (3), and in particular Article 12 (4) thereof,

Whereas the import levies on products processed from cereals and rice were fixed by Regulation (EEC) No 3174/76 (4), as last amended by Regulation (EEC) No 17/77 (5);

Whereas the levy on the basic product as last fixed differs from the average levy by more than 2.5 units of

account per tonne of basic product; whereas, pursuant to Article 1 of Regulation (EEC) No 1579/74 (6), the levies at present in force must therefore be altered as shown in the table annexed to this Regulation,

HAS ADOPTED THIS REGULATION:

#### Article 1

The import levies to be charged on products processed from cereals and rice covered by Regulation (EEC) No 2744/75 (7), as amended by Regulation (EEC) No 832/76 (8), as fixed in the Annex to amended Regulation (EEC) No 3174/76, are hereby altered as shown in the table annexed to this Regulation.

#### Article 2

This Regulation shall enter into force on 12 January

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

Done at Brussels, 11 January 1977.

For the Commission Finn GUNDELACH Vice-President

OJ No L 281, 1. 11. 1975, p. 1.

<sup>(2)</sup> OJ No L 261, 1. 11. 1973, p. 1. (2) OJ No L 354, 24. 12. 1976, p. 1. (3) OJ No L 166, 25. 6. 1976, p. 1. (4) OJ No L 357, 29. 12. 1976, p. 27. (5) OJ No L 4, 6. 1. 1977, p. 15.

<sup>(\*)</sup> OJ No L 168, 25. 6. 1974, p. 7. (?) OJ No L 281, 1. 11. 1975, p. 65. (\*) OJ No L 100, 14. 4. 1976, p. 1.

ANNEX

to the Commission Regulation of 11 January 1977 altering the import levies on products processed from cereals and rice

	Levies in u.a./tonne			
CCT heading No	Third countries (other than ACP or OCT)	ACP or OCT		
11.02 A II (²)	120-70	115:70		
11.02 B II b) (2)	87-99	85.49		
11.02 C II (²)	105-35	102.85		
11.02 D II (²)	68-07	65.57		
11.02 E II b) (²)	120-70	115.70		
11.02 F II (²)	120-70	115.70		

<sup>(\*)</sup> For the purpose of distinguishing between products falling within heading Nos 11.01 and 11.02 and those falling within subheading 23.02 A, products falling within heading Nos 11.01 and 11.02 shall be those meeting the following specifications:

<sup>—</sup> a starch content (determined by the modified Ewers polametric method), referred to dry matter, exceeding 45 % by weight,

<sup>—</sup> an ash content, by weight, referred to dry matter (after deduction of any added minerals), not exceeding 1.6% for rice, 2.5% for wheat, 3% for barley, 4% for buckwheat, 5% for oats and 2% for other cereals.

Germ of cereals, whole, rolled, flaked or ground, falls in all cases within heading No 11.02.

#### COMMISSION REGULATION (EEC) No 40/77

#### of 11 January 1977

#### altering the basic amount of the import levy on syrups and certain other sugar products

THE COMMISSION OF THE EUROPEAN COMMUNITIES,

Having regard to the Treaty establishing the European Economic Community,

Having regard to Council Regulation (EEC) No 3330/74 of 19 December 1974 on the common organization of the market in sugar (1), as last amended by Regulation (EEC) No 3138/76(2), and in particular Article 15 (7) thereof,

Whereas the basic amount of the import levy on syrups and certain other sugar products was fixed by Regulation (EEC) No 3222/76 (3), as last amended by Regulation (EEC) No 23/77 (4);

Whereas it follows from applying the rules and other provisions contained in Regulation (EEC) No 3222/76 to the information at present available to the Commission that the basic amount of the levy at present in force should be altered as shown in this Regulation,

#### HAS ADOPTED THIS REGULATION:

#### Article 1

The basic amount of the import levy on the products listed in Article 1 (1) d) of Regulation (EEC) No 3330/74 is hereby fixed, per 100 kilogrammes of product, at 0.1999 unit of account per percentage point of sucrose content.

#### Article 2

This Regulation shall enter into force on 12 January 1977.

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

Done at Brussels, 11 January 1977.

For the Commission Finn GUNDELACH Vice-President

<sup>(</sup>¹) OJ No L 359, 31. 12. 1974, p. 1. (²) OJ No L 354, 24. 12. 1976, p. 1. (²) OJ No L 362, 31. 12. 1976, p. 43. (¹) OJ No L 5, 7. 1. 1977, p. 11.

#### **COMMISSION REGULATION (EEC) No 41/77**

#### of 11 January 1977

#### fixing the import levies on white sugar and raw sugar

THE COMMISSION OF THE EUROPEAN COMMUNITIES,

Having regard to the Treaty establishing the European Economic Community,

Having regard to Council Regulation (EEC) No 3330/74 of 19 December 1974 on the common organization of the market in sugar (1), as last amended by Regulation (EEC) No 3138/76 (2), and in particular Article 15 (7) thereof,

Whereas the import levies on white sugar and raw sugar were fixed by Regulation (EEC) No 1564/76 (3), as last amended by Regulation (EEC) No 36/77 (4);

Whereas it follows from applying the rules and other provisions contained in Regulation (EEC) No 1564/76 to the information at present available to the Commission that the levies at present in force should be altered as shown in the Annex to this Regulation,

#### HAS ADOPTED THIS REGULATION:

#### Article 1

The levies referred to in Article 15 (1) of Regulation (EEC) No 3330/74 are, in respect of white sugar and standard quality raw sugar, hereby fixed as shown in the Annex to this Regulation.

#### , Article 2

This Regulation shall enter into force on 12 January 1977.

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

Done at Brussels, 11 January 1977.

For the Commission Finn GUNDELACH Vice-President

#### **ANNEX**

#### to the Commission Regulation of 11 January 1977 fixing the import levies on white sugar and raw sugar

		(u.a./ton)
CCT heading No	Description of goods	Levy
17.01	Beet sugar and cane sugar, solid:	·
	A. White sugar	19.99
	B. Raw sugar	18.48 (1)

<sup>(1)</sup> Applicable to raw sugar with a yield of 92 %; if the yield is other than 92 %, the levy applicable is calculated in accordance with the provisions of Article 2 of Regulation (EEC) No 837/68.

<sup>(</sup>¹) OJ No L 359, 31. 12. 1974, p. 1. (²) OJ No L 354, 24. 12. 1976, p. 1. (³) OJ No L 172, 1. 7. 1976, p. 31. (⁴) OJ No L 8, 11. 1. 1977, p. 7.

#### II

(Acts whose publication is not obligatory)

#### **COMMISSION**

#### **COMMISSION DECISION**

of 21 December 1976

on the reimbursement by the Guidance Section of the EAGGF to the Grand Duchy of Luxembourg of expenditure incurred on the structures survey for 1975 as part of the programme of surveys on the structure of agricultural holdings

(Only the French text is authentic)

(77/41/EEC)

THE COMMISSION OF THE EUROPEAN COMMUNITIES,

Having regard to the Treaty establishing the European Economic Community,

Having regard to Council Directive 75/108/EEC of 20 January 1975 on the organization of a structures survey for 1975 as part of the programme of surveys on the structure of agricultural holdings (1), and in particular Article 9 (6) thereof,

Whereas the Grand Duchy of Luxembourg has made an application for reimbursement of expenses incurred in the course of the structures survey for 1975 as part of the programme of surveys on the structure of agricultural holdings;

Whereas this application is in accordance with the provisions of Commission Decision 75/588/EEC of 17 September 1975 on requests for payment from the Guidance Section of the EAGGF for the structures survey for 1975 as part of the programme of surveys on the structure of agricultural holdings (2);

Whereas an examination of the information provided shows that the number of agricultural holdings surveyed amounting to 1 730 is within the limit prescribed in Article 6 (1) of Directive 75/108/EEC; whereas the results of this survey have already been submitted to the Statistical Office of the European Communities taking into consideration the requirements of Articles 5 and 7 thereof; whereas the Guidance Section of the European Agricultural Guidance and Guarantee Fund should therefore reimburse 12

units of account in respect of each agricultural holding surveyed i.e. for 1 730 agricultural holdings the sum of Lfrs 1 030 528 48 (20 610 57 u.a.);

Whereas the Fund Committee has been consulted on the financial aspects and in particular as to the funds available,

HAS ADOPTED THIS DECISION:

#### Article 1

The final contribution by the Guidance Section of the European Agricultural Guidance and Guarantee Fund towards expenditure incurred by the Grand Duchy of Luxembourg in the course of the structures survey for 1975 as part of the programme of surveys on the structure of agricultural holdings shall be Lfrs 1 030 528 48 (20 610 57 u.a.).

#### Article 2

This Decision is addressed to the Grand Duchy of Luxembourg.

Done at Brussels, 21 December 1976.

For the Commission

P. J. LARDINOIS

<sup>(</sup>¹) OJ No L 42, 15. 2. 1975, p. 21. (²) OJ No L 256, 2. 10. 1975, p. 27.

#### of 21 December 1976

on the reimbursement by the Guidance Section of the EAGGF to the Kingdom of Belgium of expenditure incurred during 1975 on annuities relating to measures to encourage the cessation of farming and the reallocation of utilized agricultural area for the purposes of structural improvement

(Only the French and Dutch texts are authentic)

(77/42/EEC)

THE COMMISSION OF THE EUROPEAN COMMUNITIES,

Having regard to the Treaty establishing the European Economic Community,

Having regard to Council Directive 72/160/EEC of 17 April 1972 concerning measures to encourage the cessation of farming and the reallocation of utilized agricultural area for the purposes of structural improvement (¹), as last amended by Directive 73/358/EEC (²), and in particular Article 12 (2) thereof,

Whereas the measures taken by the Kingdom of Belgium to implement Directive 72/160/EEC were the subject of a favourable Commission Decision pursuant to Article 9 of the said Directive;

Whereas the Kingdom of Belgium has made an application for reimbursement of expenditure incurred on annuities granted during 1975 to encourage the cessation of farming and the reallocation of utilized agricultural area for the purposes of structural improvement;

Whereas the application is complete and has been submitted in due form and in accordance with the provisions of Commission Decision 74/581/EEC of 16 October 1974 concerning applications for reimbursement in respect of aid granted by the Member States pursuant to Directives 72/159/EEC, 72/160/EEC and 72/161/EEC (3), and also with the payments on account which can be agreed;

Whereas an examination of the information provided shows that eligible expenditure of Bfrs 44 676 (900 u.a.). has been incurred under the conditions laid down in Directive 72/160/EEC; whereas the Guidance Section of the European Agricultural Guidance and Guarantee Fund should therefore reimburse 25 % thereof, i.e. Bfrs 11 169 (223-38 u.a.);

Whereas the Fund Committee has been consulted on the financial aspects and in particular as to the funds available,

HAS ADOPTED THIS DECISION:

#### Article 1

The contribution by the Guidance Section of the European Agricultural Guidance and Guarantee Fund towards the expenditure incurred by the Kingdom of Belgium during 1975 in respect of annuities to encourage the cessation of farming and the reallocation of utilized agricultural area for the purposes of structural improvement shall be Bfrs 11 169 (223-38 u.a.).

#### Article 2

This Decision is addressed to the Kingdom of Belgium.

Done at Brussels, 21 December 1976.

For the Commission

P. J. LARDINOIS

<sup>(1)</sup> OJ No L 96, 23. 4. 1972, p. 9.

<sup>(2)</sup> OJ No L 326, 27. 11. 1973, p. 17. (3) OJ No L 320, 29. 11. 1974, p. 1.

#### of 21 December 1976

on the reimbursement by the Guidance Section of the EAGGF to the French Republic of aids granted during 1975 for improvement of the production and marketing of Community citrus fruit

(Only the French text is authentic)

(77/43/EEC)

THE COMMISSION OF THE EUROPEAN COMMUNITIES,

Having regard to the Treaty establishing the European Economic Community,

Having regard to Council Regulation (EEC) No 2511/69 of 9 December 1969 laying down special measures for improving the production and marketing of Community citrus fruit (1), as last amended by Council Regulation (EEC) No 793/76 (2), and in particular Article 5 (2) thereof,

Whereas the plan prescribed in Article 2 of Regulation (EEC) No 2511/69 has been forwarded by the French Republic and was the subject of a favourable Commission Decision pursuant to Article 2 of the said Regulation;

Whereas the French Republic has made an application for reimbursement in connection with all its expenditure incurred during 1975 in respect of aids granted under Article 1 of Regulation (EEC) No 2511/69;

Whereas this application is in accordance with the provisions of Commission Regulation (EEC) No 2051/75 of 25 July 1975 concerning applications for the reimbursement of aids granted by Member States for improvement of the production and marketing of Community citrus fruit (3);

Whereas an examination of the information provided shows that aids amounting to FF 1 821 100 (327 878.60 u.a.) broken down as follows:

under Article 1 (1) (a):

under Article 1 (1) (b):

under Article 1 (2):

FF 1 821 100

of Regulation (EEC) No 2511/69 were paid under the conditions laid down in Article 1 of Regulation (EEC) No 2511/69 and its detailed rules of application; whereas the Guidance Section of the European Agricultural Guidance and Guarantee Fund should therefore reimburse 50 % thereof, i.e. FF 910 550 (163 939·30 u.a.);

Whereas the Fund Committee has been consulted on the financial aspects and in particular as to the funds available,

HAS ADOPTED THIS DECISION:

#### Article 1

The contribution by the Guidance Section of the European Agricultural Guidance and Guarantee Fund towards the expenditure incurred by the French Republic during 1975 in respect of aids for improvement of the production and marketing of Community citrus fruit shall be FF 910 550 (163 939.30 u.a.).

#### Article 2

This Decision is addressed to the French Republic.

Done at Brussels, 21 December 1976.

For the Commission

P. J. LARDINOIS

<sup>(</sup>¹) OJ No L 318, 18. 12. 1969, p. 1. (²) OJ No L 93, 8. 4. 1976, p. 1. (³) OJ No L 213, 11. 8. 1975, p. 53.

#### of 21 December 1976

on the reimbursement by the Guidance Section of the EAGGF to the Italian Republic of aids granted during 1975 for improvement of the production and marketing of Community citrus fruit

(Only the Italian text is authentic)

(77/44/EEC)

THE COMMISSION OF THE EUROPEAN COMMUNITIES,

Having regard to the Treaty establishing the European Economic Community,

Having regard to Council Regulation (EEC) No 2511/69 of 9 December 1969 laying down special measures for improving the production and marketing of Community citrus fruit (1), as last amended by Council Regulation (EEC) No 793/76 (2), and in particular Article 5 (2) thereof,

Whereas the plan prescribed in Article 2 of Regulation (EEC) No 2511/69 has been forwarded by the Italian Republic and was the subject of a favourable Commission Decision pursuant to Article 2 of the said Regulation;

Whereas the Italian Republic has made an application for reimbursement in connection with all its expenditure incurred during 1975 in respect of aids granted under Article 1 of Regulation (EEC) No 2511/69;

Whereas this application is in accordance with the provisions of Commission Regulation (EEC) No 2051/75 of 25 July 1975 concerning applications for the reimbursement of aids granted by Member States for improvement of the production and marketing of Community citrus fruit (3);

Whereas an examination of the information provided shows that eligible aids amounting to Lit 2 017 787 364 (3 228 459 78 u.a.) broken down as follows:

under Article 1 (1) (a):

Lit 138 985 544

under Article 1 (1) (b):

Lit 1 878 801 820

under Article 1 (2):

of Regulation (EEC) No 2511/69 were paid under the conditions laid down in Article 1 of Regulation (EEC) No 2511/69 and its detailed rules of application; whereas the Guidance Section of the European Agricultural Guidance and Guarantee Fund should therefore reimburse 50 % thereof, i.e. Lit 1 008 893 682 (1 614 229.89 u.a.);

Whereas the Fund Committee has been consulted on the financial aspects and in particular as to the funds available,

HAS ADOPTED THIS DECISION:

#### Article 1

The contribution by the Guidance Section of the European Agricultural Guidance and Guarantee Fund towards the expenditure incurred by the Italian Republic during 1975 in respect of aids for improvement of the production and marketing of Community citrus fruit shall be Lit 1 008 893 682 (1 614 229.89 u.a.).

#### Article 2

This Decision is addressed to the Italian Republic.

Done at Brussels, 21 December 1976.

For the Commission

P. J. LARDINOIS

<sup>(</sup>¹) OJ No L 318, 18. 12. 1969, p. 1. (²) OJ No L 93, 8. 4. 1976, p. 1. (³) OJ No L 213, 11. 8. 1975, p. 53.

#### of 22 December 1976

on the granting by the Guidance Section of the EAGGF to the Federal Republic of Germany of a payment on account in respect of expenditure incurred during 1975 on aids for the less-favoured farming areas

(Only the German text is authentic)

(77/45/EEC)

THE COMMISSION OF THE EUROPEAN COMMUNITIES.

Having regard to the Treaty establishing the European Economic Community,

Having regard to Council Directive 75/268/EEC of 28 April 1975 on mountain and hill farming and farming in certain less-favoured areas (1), as last amended by Directive 76/400/EEC (2), and in particular Article 13 thereof.

Having regard to Council Directive 72/159/EEC of 17 April 1972 on the modernization of farms (3), as amended by Directive 76/837/EEC (4), and in particular Article 21 (3) thereof,

Whereas the measures taken by the Federal Republic of Germany to implement Directive 75/268/EEC were the subject of a favourable Commission Decision pursuant to Article 13 of the said Directive and to Article 18 of Directive 72/159/EEC:

Whereas Commission Decision 76/627/EEC of 25 June 1976 concerning applications for reimbursement in respect of aid granted by Member States pursuant to Directive 75/268/EEC (5), lays down in Article 5 (1) that the Commission, acting on the basis of particulars contained in the application for reimbursement, shall make a payment on account of 75 % of the amount requested;

Whereas the application for reimbursement lodged by the Federal Republic of Germany in respect of aids granted during 1975 for the less-favoured farming areas is complete and has been submitted in due form; whereas the total amount of expenditure for the year 1975 comes to DM 100 705 081.53 (27 515 049.60 u.a.) broken down as follows:

under Title II \ Directive DM 100 621 059·53 under Title IV \$75/268/EEC 84 022 .00

Whereas the total amount of reimbursement requested comes to DM 25 176 269.88 (6 878 762.26. u.a.);

Whereas the making of a payment on account for the period in question shall not prejudice the final decision on the contribution from the Fund for the said period; whereas the Guidance Section of the European Agricultural Guidance and Guarantee Fund should therefore make a payment on account of 75 % of the sum of DM 25 176 269.88 (6 878 762.26 u.a.), i.e. DM 18 882 202:41 (5 159 071:70 u.a.);

Whereas Decision 76/627/EEC lays down in Article 2 that applications for reimbursement concerning Title III of Directive 75/268/EEC shall be submitted along with applications for reimbursement of expenditure on Directive 72/159/EEC;

Whereas the Fund Committee has been consulted on the financial aspects and in particlar as to the funds available,

HAS ADOPTED THIS DECISION:

#### Article 1

The payment on account by the Guidance Section of the European Agricultural Guidance and Guarantee Fund towards the expenditure incurred by the Federal Republic of Germany during 1975 on aids for the lessfavoured farming areas shall be DM 18 882 202-41 (5 159 071.70 u.a.)

#### Article 2

This Decision is addressed to the Federal Republic of Germany.

Done at Brussels, 22 December 1976.

For the Commission

P. J. LARDINOIS

OJ No L 128, 19. 5. 1975, p. 1.

OJ No L 108, 26. 4. 1976, p. 21. OJ No L 96, 23. 4. 1972, p. 1. OJ No L 302, 4. 11. 1976, p. 19.

OJ No L 222, 14. 8. 1976, p. 37.

#### of 22 December 1976

on the granting by the Guidance Section of the EAGGF to the United Kingdom of a payment on account in respect of expenditure incurred during 1975 on aids for the less-favoured farming areas

(Only the English text is authentic)

(77/46/EEC)

THE COMMISSION OF THE EUROPEAN COMMUNITIES,

Having regard to the Treaty establishing the European Economic Community,

Having regard to Council Directive 75/268/EEC of 28 April 1975 on mountain and hill farming and farming in certain less-favoured areas (1), as last amended by Directive 76/400/EEC (2), and in particular Article 13 thereof,

Having regard to Council Directive 72/159/EEC of 17 April 1972 on the modernization of farms (3), as last amended by Directive 76/837/EEC (4), and in particular Article 21 (3) thereof,

Whereas the measures taken by the United Kingdom to implement Directive 75/268/EEC were the subject of a favourable Commission Decision pursuant to Article 13 of the said Directive and to Article 18 of Directive 72/159/EEC;

Whereas Commission Decision 76/627/EEC of 25 June 1976 concerning applications for reimbursement in respect of aid granted by Member States pursuant to Directive 75/268/EEC (5), lays down in Article 5 (1) that the Commission, acting on the basis of particulars contained in the application for reimbursement, shall make a payment on account of 75 % of the amount requested;

Whereas the application for reimbursement lodged by the United Kingdom in respect of aids granted during 1975 for the less-favoured farming areas is complete and has been submitted in due form; whereas the total amount of expenditure for the year 1975 comes to 39 253 195·00 (94 207 592·63 u.a.) broken down as follows:

under Title II Directive 39 253 195.00 under Title IV 75/268/EEC

Whereas the total amount of reimbursement requested comes to £ 9813298.75 (23551898.16 u.a.);

Whereas the making of a payment on account for the period in question shall not prejudice the final decision on the contribution from the Fund for the said period; whereas the Guidance Section of the European Agricultural Guidance and Guarantee Fund should therefore make a payment on account of 75 % of the sum of £ 9 813 298.75 (23 551 898.16 u.a.) i.e. £ 7 359 974·06 (17 663 923·61 u.a.);

Whereas Decision 76/627/EEC lays down in Article 2 that applications for reimbursement concerning Title III of Directive 75/268/EEC shall be submitted along with applications for reimbursement of expenditure on Directive 72/159/EEC;

Whereas the Fund Committee has been consulted on the financial aspects and in particular as to the funds available.

HAS ADOPTED THIS DECISION:

#### Article 1

The payment on account by the Guidance Section of the European Agricultural Guidance and Guarantee Fund towards the expenditure incurred by the United Kingdom during 1975 on aids for the less-favoured farming areas shall be £ 7 359 974.06 (17 663 923.61 u.a.).

#### Article 2

This Decision is addressed to the United Kingdom.

Done at Brussels, 22 December 1976.

For the Commission

P. J. LARDINOIS

<sup>(1)</sup> OJ No L 128, 19. 5. 1975, p. 1. (\*) OJ No L 123, 15. 3. 1973, p. 1. (\*) OJ No L 108, 26. 4. 1976, p. 21. (\*) OJ No L 96, 23. 4. 1972, p. 1. (\*) OJ No L 302, 4. 11. 1976, p. 19. (\*) OJ No L 222, 14. 8. 1976, p. 37.

of 22 December 1976

on the granting by the Guidance Section of the EAGGF to the French Republic of a payment on account in respect of expenditure incurred during 1975 on aids for the less-favoured farming areas

(Only the French text is authentic)

(77/47/EEC)

THE COMMISSION OF THE EUROPEAN COMMUNITIES,

Having regard to the Treaty establishing the European Economic Community,

Having regard to Council Directive 75/268/EEC of 28 April 1975 on mountain and hill farming and farming in certain less-favoured areas (1), as last amended by Directive 76/400/EEC (2), and in particular Article 13 thereof,

Having regard to Council Directive 72/159/EEC of 17 April 1972 on the modernization of farms (3), as last amended by Directive 76/837/EEC (4), and in particular Article 21 (3) thereof,

Whereas the measures taken by the French Republic to implement Directive 75/268/EEC were the subject of a favourable Commission Decision pursuant to Article 13 of the said Directive and to Article 18 of Directive 72/159/EEC;

Whereas Commission Decision 76/627/EEC of 25 June 1976 concerning applications for reimbursement in respect of aid granted by Member States pursuant to Directive 75/268/EEC (5), lays down in Article 5 (1) that the Commission, acting on the basis of particulars contained in the application for reimbursement, shall make a payment on account of 75 % of the amount requested;

Whereas the application for reimbursement lodged by the French Republic in respect of aids granted during 1975 for the less-favoured farming areas is complete and has been submitted in due form; whereas the total amount of expenditure for the year 1975 comes to FF 304 992 832 (54 912 207·18 u.a.) broken down as follows:

under Title II Directive FF 304 992 832 under Title IV \$ 75/268/EEC

Whereas the total amount of reimbursement requested comes to FF 76 248 208 -(13 728 051 80 u.a.);

Whereas the making of a payment on account for the period in question shall not prejudice the final decision on the contribution from the Fund for the said period; whereas the Guidance Section of the European Agricultural Guidance and Guarantee Fund should therefore make a payment on account of 75 % of the sum of FF 76 248 208 (13 728 051.80 u.a.) i.e. FF 57 186 156 (10 296 038 85 u.a.);

Whereas Decision 76/627/EEC lays down in Article 2 that applications for reimbursement concerning Title III of Directive 75/268/EEC shall be submitted along with applications for reimbursement of expenditure on Directive 72/159/EEC;

Whereas the Fund Committee has been consulted on the financial aspects and in particular as to the funds available.

HAS ADOPTED THIS DECISION:

#### Article 1

The payment on account by the Guidance Section of the European Agricultural Guidance and Guarantee Fund towards the expenditure incurred by the French Republic during 1975 on aids for the less-favoured farming areas shall be FF 57 186 156 (10 296 038 85 u.a.).

#### Article 2

This Decision is addressed to the French Republic.

Done at Brussels, 22 December 1976.

For the Commission

P. J. LARDINOIS

OJ No L 128, 19. 5. 1975, p. 1.

<sup>(&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup>) OJ No L 108, 26. 4. 1976, p. 21.

<sup>(3)</sup> OJ No L 96, 23. 4. 1972, p. 1. (4) OJ No L 302, 4. 11. 1976, p. 19

<sup>(5)</sup> OJ No L 222, 14. 8. 1976, p. 37.

of 22 December 1976

on the granting by the Guidance Section of the EAGGF to Ireland of a payment on account in respect of expenditure incurred during 1975 on aids for the lessfavoured farming areas

(Only the English text is authentic)

(77/48/EEC)

THE COMMISSION OF THE EUROPEAN COMMUNITIES

Having regard to the Treaty establishing the European Economic Community,

Having regard to Council Directive 75/268/EEC of 28 April 1975 on mountain and hill farming and farming in certain less-favoured areas (1), as last amended by Directive 76/400/EEC (2), and in particular Article 13 thereof.

Having regard to Council Directive 72/159/EEC of 17 April 1972 on the modernization of farms (3), as last amended by Directive 76/837/EEC (4), and in particular Article 21 (3) thereof,

Whereas the measures taken by Ireland to implement Directive 75/268/EEC were the subject of a favourable Commission Decision pursuant to Article 13 of the said Directive and to Article 18 of Directive 72/159/EEC;

Whereas Commission Decision 76/627/EEC of 25 June 1976 concerning applications for reimbursement in respect of aid granted by Member States pursuant to Directive 75/268/EEC (5), lays down in Article 5 (1) that the Commission, acting on the basis of particulars contained in the application for reimbursement, shall make a payment on account of 75 % of the amount requested;

Whereas the application for reimbursement lodged by Ireland in respect of aids granted during 1975 for the less-favoured farming areas is complete and has been submitted in due form; whereas the total amount of expenditure for the year 1975 comes to £ 6 442 494·70 (15 461 974·91 u.a.) broken down as follows:

under Title II Directive £ 6 442 494·70 under Title IV 75/268/EEC

Whereas the total amount of reimbursement requested comes to £ 1 610 623.67 (3 865 493.72 u.a.);

Whereas the making of a payment on account for the period in question shall not prejudice the final decision on the contribution from the Fund for the said period; whereas the Guidance Section of the European Agricultural Guidance and Guarantee Fund should therefore make a payment on account of 75 % of the sum of £ 1 610 623.67 (3 865 493.72 u.a.) i.e. £ 1 207 967 75 (2 899 120 28 u.a.);

Whereas Decision 76/627/EEC lays down in Article 2 that applications for reimbursement concerning Title III of Directive 75/268/EEC shall be submitted along with applications for reimbursement of expenditure on Directive 72/159/EEC;

Whereas the Fund Committee has been consulted on the financial aspects and in particular as to the funds available,

HAS ADOPTED THIS DECISION:

#### Article 1

The payment on account by the Guidance Section of the European Agricultural Guidance and Guarantee Fund towards the expenditure incurred by Ireland during 1975 on aids for the less-favoured farming areas shall be £ 1 207 967.75 (2 899 120.28 u.a.).

#### Article 2

This Decision is addressed to Ireland.

Done at Brussels, 22 December 1976.

For the Commission

P. J. LARDINOIS

<sup>(1)</sup> OJ No L 128, 19. 5. 1975, p. 1.

<sup>(2)</sup> OJ No L 108, 26. 4. 1976, p. 21.

<sup>(</sup>²) OJ No L 96, 23. 4. 1972, p. 1. (¹) OJ No L 302, 4. 11. 1976, p. 19.

<sup>(5)</sup> OJ No L 222, 14. 8. 1976, p. 37.

#### of 22 December 1976

on the reimbursement by the Guidance Section of the EAGGF to the Kingdom of the Netherlands of expenditure incurred during 1975 on annuities relating to measures to encourage the cessation of farming and the reallocation of utilized agricultural area for the purposes of structural improvement

(Only the Dutch text is authentic)

(77/49/EEC)

THE COMMISSION OF THE EUROPEAN COMMUNITIES.

Having regard to the Treaty establishing the European Economic Community,

Having regard to Council Directive 72/160/EEC of 17 April 1972 concerning measures to encourage the cessation of farming and the reallocation of utilized agricultural area for the purposes of structural improvement (1), as last amended by Directive 73/358/EEC (2), and in particular Article 12 (2) thereof,

Whereas the measures taken by the Kingdom of the Netherlands to implement Directive 72/160/EEC were the subject of a favourable Commission Decision pursuant to Article 9 of the said Directive;

Whereas the Kingdom of the Netherlands has made an application for reimbursement of expenditure incurred on annuities granted during 1975 to encourage the cessation of farming and the reallocation of utilized agricultural area for the purposes of structural improvement; whereas the application is complete and has been submitted in due form and in accordance with the provisions of Commission Decision 74/581/EEC of 16 October 1974 concerning applications for reimbursement in respect of aid granted by the Member States pursuant to Directives 72/159/EEC, 72/160/EEC and 72/161/EEC (3), and also with the payments on account which can be agreed;

Whereas an examination of the information provided shows that eligible expenditure of Fl 9 533.96 (2 633.69 u.a.) has been incurred under the conditions

laid down in Directive 72/160/EEC; whereas the Guidance Section of the European Agricultural Guidance and Guarantee Fund should therefore reimburse 25 % thereof, i.e. Fl 2 383·49 (658·42 u.a.);

Whereas the Fund Committee has been consulted on the financial aspects and in particular as to the funds available,

HAS ADOPTED THIS DECISION:

#### Article 1

The final contribution by the Guidance Section of the European Agricultural Guidance and Guarantee Fund towards the expenditure incurred by the Kingdom of the Netherlands during 1975 in respect of annuities to encourage the cessation of farming and the reallocation of utilized agricultural area for the purposes of structural improvement shall be Fl 2 383-49 (658-42

#### Article 2

This Decision is addressed to the Kingdom of the Netherlands.

Done at Brussels, 22 December 1976.

For the Commission

P. J. LARDINOIS

<sup>(</sup>¹) OJ No L 96, 23. 4. 1972, p. 9. (²) OJ No L 326, 27. 11. 1973, p. 17. (²) OJ No L 320, 29. 11. 1974, p. 1.

#### of 22 December 1976

on the reimbursement by the Guidance Section of the EAGGF to the Kingdom of the Netherlands of expenditure incurred during 1974 on annuities relating to measures to encourage the cessation of farming and the reallocation of utilized agricultural area for the purpose of structural improvement

(Only the Dutch text is authentic)

(77/50/EEC)

THE COMMISSION OF THE EUROPEAN COMMUNITIES

Having regard to the Treaty establishing the European Economic Community,

Having regard to Council Directive 72/160/EEC of 17 April 1972 concerning measures to encourage the cessation of farming and the reallocation of utilized agricultural area for the purposes of structural improvement (1), as last amended by Directive 73/358/EEC (2), and in particular Article 12 (2) thereof,

Whereas the measures taken by the Kingdom of the Netherlands to implement Directive 72/160/EEC were the subject of a favourable Commission Decision pursuant to Article 9 of the said Directive;

Whereas the Kingdom of the Netherlands has made an application for reimbursement of expenditure incurred on annuities granted during 1974 to encourage the cessation of farming and the reallocation of utilized agricultural area for the purposes of structural improvement; whereas the application is complete and has been submitted in due form and in accordance with the provisions of Commission Decision 74/581/EEC of 16 October 1974 concerning applications for reimbursement in respect of aid granted by the Member States pursuant to Directives 72/159/EEC, 72/160/EEC and 72/161/EEC (3), and also with the payments on account which can be

Whereas an examination of the information provided and especially of the individual information sheets shows that only one of the five beneficiaries has reallocated the utilized agricultural area released in accordance with Article 5 (1) of Directive 72/160/EEC, while the agricultural area released by the other beneficiaries has been disposed of in accordance with Article 5 (3) thereof;

Whereas under Article 10 (1) (a) thereof the Member States can only obtain reimbursement of this eligible expenditure from the EAGGF if the utilized agricultural area released has been disposed of in accordance

with Article 5 (1) thereof; whereas, as this proof has not so far been supplied in respect of four of the beneficiaries, the reimbursement can only be based on eligible expenditure amounting to Fl 1 204 incurred in 1974 for one beneficiary; whereas the Guidance Section of the European Agricultural Guidance and Guarantee Fund should therefore reimburse 25 % thereof, i.e. Fl 301 (83·15 u.a.);

by virtue of Commission Decision Whereas 75/742/EEC of 21 November 1975 (4), a payment on account of Fl 1 749.90 has been granted under Article 12 (3) of Directive 72/160/EEC and Article 4 (1) of Decision 74/581/EEC;

Whereas the Fund Committee has been consulted on the financial aspects and in particular as to the funds available.

HAS ADOPTED THIS DECISION:

#### Article 1

The final contribution by the Guidance Section of the European Agricultural Guidance and Guarantee Fund towards the expenditure incurred by the Kingdom of the Netherlands during 1974 in respect of annuities to encourage the cessation of farming and the reallocation of utilized agricultural area for the purposes of structural improvement shall be Fl 301 (83·15 u.a.).

#### Article 2

This Decision is addressed to the Kingdom of the Netherlands.

Done at Brussels, 22 December 1976.

For the Commission

P. J. LARDINOIS

<sup>(</sup>¹) OJ No L 96, 23. 4. 1972, p. 9. (²) OJ No L 326, 27. 11. 1973, p. 17. (³) OJ No L 320, 29. 11. 1974, p. 1.

#### of 22 December 1976

on the granting by the Guidance Section of the EAGGF to the Federal Republic of Germany of a payment on account in respect of expenditure incurred during 1975 on aids and premiums relating to the modernization of farms including those in the less-favoured farming areas

(Only the German text is authentic)

(77/51/EEC)

THE COMMISSION OF THE EUROPEAN COMMUNITIES,

Having regard to the Treaty establishing the European Economic Community.

Having regard to Council Directive 72/159/EEC of 17 April 1972 on the modernization of farms (1), as last amended by Directive 76/837/EEC(2), and in particular Article 21 (3) thereof,

Having regard to Council Directive 75/268/EEC of 28 April 1975 on mountain and hill farming and farming in certain less-favoured areas (3), as last amended by Directive 76/400/EEC (4), and in particular Article 13 thereof,

Whereas the measures taken by the Federal Republic of Germany to implement Directives 72/159/EEC and 75/268/EEC were the subject of favourable Commission Decisions pursuant to Article 18 of Directive 72/159/EEC and to Article 13 of Directive 75/268/EEC;

Whereas Commission Decision 76/627/EEC of 25 June 1976 concerning applications for reimbursement in respect of aids granted by the Member States pursuant to Directive 75/268/EEC (5), lays down in

Article 2 that applications for reimbursement concerning Title III of Directive 75/268/EEC shall be submitted along with applications for reimbursement of expenditure on Directive 72/159/EEC, under the provisions laid down in Commission Decision 74/581/EEC of 16 October 1974 concerning applications for reimbursement in respect of aid granted by the Member States pursuant to Directives 72/159/EEC, 72/160/EEC and 72/161/EEC (6), and also with the payments on account which can be agreed;

Whereas Commission Decision 74/581/EEC lays down in Article 4 (1) that the Commission, acting on the basis of particulars contained in the application for reimbursement, shall make a payment on account of 75 % of the amount requested;

Whereas the application for reimbursement lodged by the Federal Republic of Germany in respect of aids granted during 1975 for the modernization of farms, including those in the less-favoured farming areas, is complete and has been submitted in due form; whereas the total amount of expenditure for the year 1975 comes to DM 96 756 521.41 (26 436 208.03 u.a.) broken down as follows:

	ordinary farming areas	less-favoured farming areas (Title III)
under Article 8 under Article 10 under Article 11 under Article 12  Directive 72/159/EEC	DM 44 168 241 49 DM 447 238 DM 1 998 156 DM 653 361	DM 12 794 143-92 DM 10 395 —

No L 96, 23. 4. 1972, p. 1.

<sup>(1)</sup> OJ No L 76, 23. 4. 1772, p. 1. (2) OJ No L 302, 4. 11. 1976, p. 19. (3) OJ No L 128, 19. 5. 1975, p. 1. (4) OJ No L 108, 26. 4. 1976, p. 21. (5) OJ No L 222, 14. 8. 1976, p. 37.

<sup>(6)</sup> OJ No L 320, 29. 11. 1974, p. 1.

Whereas the total amount of reimbursement comes to DM 19 424 132.69 (5 307 140.08 u.a.);

Whereas the making of a payment on account for the period in question shall not prejudice the final decision on the contribution from the Fund for the said period; whereas the Guidance Section of the European Agricultural Guidance and Guarantee Fund should therefore make a payment on account of 75 % of the sum of DM 19 424 132-69 (5 307 140-08 u.a.), i.e. DM 14 568 099-52 (3 980 355-06 u.a.);

Whereas the Fund Committee has been consulted on the financial aspects and in particular as to the funds available,

HAS ADOPTED THIS DECISION:

#### Article 1

The payment on account by the Guidance Section of the European Agricultural Guidance and Guarantee Fund towards the expenditure incurred by the Federal Republic of Germany during 1975 in respect of aid and premiums relating to the modernization of farms, including those in the less-favoured farming areas, shall be DM 14 568 099-52 (3 980 355-06 u.a.).

#### Article 2

This Decision is addressed to the Federal Republic of Germany.

Done at Brussels, 22 December 1976.

For the Commission
P. J. LARDINOIS
Member of the Commission

#### of 22 December 1976

on the granting by the Guidance Section of the EAGGF to the Kingdom of Belgium of a payment on account in respect of expenditure incurred during 1975 on aids and premiums relating to the modernization of farms

(Only the French and Dutch texts are authentic)

(77/52/EEC)

THE COMMISSION OF THE EUROPEAN COMMUNITIES,

Having regard to the Treaty establishing the European Economic Community,

Having regard to Council Directive 72/159/EEC of 17 April 1972 on the modernization of farms (1), as last amended by Directive 76/837/EEC (2), and in particular Article 21 (3) thereof,

Whereas the measures taken by the Kingdom of Belgium to implement Directive 72/159/EEC were the subject of a favourable Commission Decision pursuant to Article 18 of the said Directive;

Whereas Commission Decision 74/581/EEC of 16 October 1974 concerning applications for reimbursement in respect of aid granted by the Member States pursuant to Directives 72/159/EEC, 72/160/EEC and 72/161/EEC (3), lays down in Article 4 (1) that the Commission, acting on the basis of particulars contained in the applications for reimbursement, shall make a payment on account of 75 % of the amount requested;

Whereas the application for reimbursement lodged by the Kingdom of Belgium in respect of aids granted during 1975 for the modernization of farms is complete and has been submitted in due form; whereas the total amount of expenditure for the year 1975 comes to Bfrs 39 953 718 (799 074-36 u.a.) broken down as follows:

Whereas the total amount of reimbursement requested comes to Bfrs 4 314 680 (86 293.60 u.a.);

Whereas the making of a payment on account for the period in question shall not prejudice the final deci-. sion on the contribution from the Fund for the said period; whereas the Guidance Section of the European Agricultural Guidance and Guarantee Fund should therefore make a payment on account of 75 % of the sum of Bfrs 4 314 680 (86 293 60 u.a.), i.e. Bfrs 3 236 010 (64 720 20 u.a.);

Whereas the Fund Committee has been consulted on the financial aspects and in particular as to the funds available,

HAS ADOPTED THIS DECISION:

#### Article 1

The payment on account by the Guidance Section of the European Agricultural Guidance and Guarantee Fund towards the expenditure incurred by the Kingdom of Belgium during 1975 in respect of aid and premiums relating to the modernization of farms shall be Bfrs 3 236 010 (64 720-20 u.a.).

#### Article 2

This Decision is addressed to the Kingdom of Belgium.

Done at Brussels, 22 December 1976.

For the Commission

P. J. LARDINOIS

<sup>(</sup>¹) OJ No L 96, 23. 4. 1972, p. 1. (²) OJ No L 302, 4. 11. 1976, p. 19. (³) OJ No L 320, 29. 11. 1974, p. 1.

#### of 22 December 1976

on the granting by the Guidance Section of the EAGGF to the Kingdom of the Netherlands of a payment on account in respect of expenditure incurred during 1975 on aids and premiums relating to the modernization of farms

(Only the Dutch text is authentic)

(77/53/EEC)

THE COMMISSION OF THE EUROPEAN COMMUNITIES,

Having regard to the Treaty establishing the European Economic Community,

Having regard to Council Directive 72/159/EEC of 17 April 1972 on the modernization of farms (1), as last amended by Directive 76/837/EEC (2), and in particular Article 21 (3) thereof,

Whereas the measures taken by the Kingdom of the Netherlands to implement Directive 72/159/EEC were the subject of a favourable Commission Decision pursuant to Article 18 of the said Directive:

Whereas Commission Decision 74/581/EEC of 16 October 1974 concerning applications for reimbursement in respect of aid granted by the Member States pursuant to Directives 72/159/EEC, 72/160/EEC and 72/161/EEC (3), lays down in Article 4 (1) that the Commission, acting on the basis of particulars contained in the applications for reimbursement, shall make a payment on account of 75 % of the amount requested;

Whereas the application for reimbursement lodged by the Kingdom of the Netherlands in respect of aids granted during 1975 for the modernization of farms is complete and has been submitted in due form; whereas the total amount of expenditure for the year 1975 comes to Fl 20 945 804·40 (5 786 133·81 u.a.) broken down as follows:

the total amount of reimbursement requested comes to Fl 4 624 083·11 (1 277 371·02 u.a.);

Whereas the making of a payment on account for the period in question shall not prejudice the final decision on the contribution from the Fund for the said period; whereas the Guidance Section of the European Agricultural Guidance and Guarantee Fund should therefore make a payment on account of 75 % of the sum of Fl 4 624 083·11 (1 277 371·02 u.a.), i.e. Fl 3 468 062·33 (958 028·27 u.a.);

Whereas the Fund Committee has been consulted on the financial aspects and in particular as to the funds available,

HAS ADOPTED THIS DECISION:

#### Article 1

The payment on account by the Guidance Section of the European Agricultural Guidance and Guarantee Fund towards the expenditure incurred by the Kingdom of the Netherlands during 1975 in respect of aid and premiums relating to the modernization of farms shall be Fl 3 468 062.33 (958 028.27 u.a.).

#### Article 2

This Decision is addressed to the Kingdom of the Netherlands.

Done at Brussels, 22 December 1976.

For the Commission P. J. LARDINOIS Member of the Commission

<sup>(1)</sup> OJ No L 96, 23. 4. 1972, p. 1.

<sup>(</sup>²) OJ No L 302, 4, 11, 1976, p. 19, (³) OJ No L 320, 29, 11, 1974, p. 1.

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