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#### COMMISSION REGULATION (EC) No 1318/2006

#### of 5 September 2006

# establishing the standard import values for determining the entry price of certain fruit and vegetables

THE COMMISSION OF THE EUROPEAN COMMUNITIES,

Having regard to the Treaty establishing the European Community,

Having regard to Commission Regulation (EC) No 3223/94 of 21 December 1994 on detailed rules for the application of the import arrangements for fruit and vegetables (1), and in particular Article 4(1) thereof,

Whereas:

(1) Regulation (EC) No 3223/94 lays down, pursuant to the outcome of the Uruguay Round multilateral trade negotiations, the criteria whereby the Commission fixes the

standard values for imports from third countries, in respect of the products and periods stipulated in the Annex thereto.

(2) In compliance with the above criteria, the standard import values must be fixed at the levels set out in the Annex to this Regulation,

HAS ADOPTED THIS REGULATION:

#### Article 1

The standard import values referred to in Article 4 of Regulation (EC) No 3223/94 shall be fixed as indicated in the Annex hereto.

#### Article 2

This Regulation shall enter into force on 6 September 2006.

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

Done at Brussels, 5 September 2006.

For the Commission

Jean-Luc DEMARTY

Director-General for Agriculture and

Rural Development

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup>) OJ L 337, 24.12.1994, p. 66. Regulation as last amended by Regulation (EC) No 386/2005 (OJ L 62, 9.3.2005, p. 3).

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(EUR/100 kg)

CN code	Third country code (1)	Standard import value
0702 00 00	052	83,4
	999	83,4
0707 00 05	052	90,4
	999	90,4
0709 90 70	052	94,1
	999	94,1
0805 50 10	388	58,5
	524	43,5
	528	59,3
	999	53,8
0806 10 10	052	83,0
	220	178,5
	400	181,8
	624	120,4
	999	140,9
0808 10 80	388	89,4
	400	92,7
	508	79,0
	512	97,0
	528	59,3
	720	81,1
	800	174,2
	804	108,9
	999	97,7
0808 20 50	052	120,0
	388	89,4
	720	88,3
	999	99,2
0809 30 10, 0809 30 90	052	124,4
•	999	124,4
0809 40 05	052	74,5
	066	44,6
	098	41,6
	624	150,6
	999	

<sup>(1)</sup> Country nomenclature as fixed by Commission Regulation (EC) No 750/2005 (OJ L 126, 19.5.2005, p. 12). Code '999' stands for 'of other origin'.

#### COMMISSION REGULATION (EC) No 1319/2006

#### of 5 September 2006

#### on the exchange between the Member States and the Commission of certain information concerning pigmeat

(Codified version)

THE COMMISSION OF THE EUROPEAN COMMUNITIES,

Having regard to the Treaty establishing the European Community,

Having regard to Council Regulation (EEC) No 2759/75 of 29 October 1975 on the common organisation of the market in pigmeat (1), and in particular Article 22 thereof,

#### Whereas:

- Commission Regulation (EEC) No 2806/79 of 13 (1) December 1979 on the exchange between the Member States and the Commission of certain information concerning pigmeat and repealing Regulation (EEC) No 2330/74 (2) has been substantially amended (3). In the interests of clarity and rationality the said Regulation should be codified.
- (2) Article 22 of Regulation (EEC) No 2759/75 provides that the Member States and the Commission shall communicate to each other the information necessary for implementing that Regulation. It is necessary, if the information required to operate the organised market is to be available on a standard basis and in due time, to define in detail the obligations of the Member States as regards the communication of information.
- The application of the intervention measures provided (3)for in Article 3 of Regulation (EEC) No 2759/75 requires precise knowledge of the market. In order to achieve the highest degree of comparability, the prices for slaughtered pigs to be taken into account should be the quotations as determined in accordance with Commission Regulation (EC) No 1128/2006 of 24 July 2006 on the marketing stage to which the average price for pig carcases refers (4). In particular, for the purposes of regular review and in order that intervention measures may be prepared in sufficient time, such information must be available regarding piglet prices as will enable future changes in the market to be assessed.

- It may occur that quotations are not received by the Commission. A situation must be avoided where the lack of a quotation causes an abnormal evolution in the market prices calculated by the Commission. The missing quotation or quotations should be replaced by the last quotation available. The use of the last quotation available is no longer possible after a certain period without quotations, which may lead to the presumption of an abnormal situation in the market concerned.
- In order to obtain a view of the market which is as (5) accurate as possible it is desirable that regular information on the other products of the pigmeat sector is available to the Commission, as well as other information which Member States have at their disposal.
- The measures provided for in this Regulation are in accordance with the opinion of the Management Committee for Pigmeat,

HAS ADOPTED THIS REGULATION:

#### Article 1

- The Member States shall communicate to the Commission at the latest on the Thursday of each week concerning the preceding week:
- (a) the quotations as determined in accordance with Regulation (EC) No 1128/2006;
- (b) the representative quotations for piglets per head of an average live weight of approximately 20 kilograms.
- Where one or more quotations are not received by the Commission the latter shall take into account the last quotation available. Where a quotation or quotations are missing for the third consecutive week, the Commission shall no longer take that or those quotations into account.

<sup>(1)</sup> OJ L 282, 1.11.1975, p. 1. Regulation as last amended by Regu-

lation (EC) No 1913/2005 (OJ L 307, 25.11.2005, p. 2).
(2) OJ L 319, 14.12.1979, p. 17. Regulation as amended by Regulation (EEC) No 3574/86 (OJ L 331, 25.11.1986, p. 9).

See Annex I.

<sup>(4)</sup> OJ L 201, 25.7.2006, p. 6.

#### Article 2

The Member States shall communicate to the Commission once a month for the preceding month the average of the quotations for pig carcases for commercial grades E to P as specified in Article 3(2) of Council Regulation (EEC) No 3220/84 (¹).

#### Article 3

The Member States shall, at the Commission's request, communicate the following information, where available, concerning products covered by Regulation (EEC) No 2759/75:

- (a) market prices in Member States for products imported from non-member countries;
- (b) prices ruling on the representative markets in non-member countries.

#### Article 4

The Commission shall evaluate the information transmitted by the Member States and shall communicate it to the Management Committee for Pigmeat.

#### Article 5

Regulation (EEC) No 2806/79 is repealed.

References to the repealed Regulation shall be construed as references to this Regulation and shall be read in accordance with the correlation table in Annex II.

#### Article 6

This Regulation shall enter into force on the 20th day following its publication in the Official Journal of the European Union.

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

Done at Brussels, 5 September 2006.

For the Commission

Mariann FISCHER BOEL

Member of the Commission

#### ANNEX I

#### Repealed Regulation with its amendment

Commission Regulation (EEC) No 2806/79 Commission Regulation (EEC) No 3574/86 (OJ L 319, 14.12.1979, p. 17) (OJ L 331, 25.11.1986, p. 9)

#### ANNEX II

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#### COMMISSION REGULATION (EC) No 1320/2006

#### of 5 September 2006

# laying down rules for the transition to the rural development support provided for in Council Regulation (EC) No 1698/2005

THE COMMISSION OF THE EUROPEAN COMMUNITIES,

Having regard to the Treaty establishing the European Community,

opment support scheme under Regulation (EC) No 1698/2005, which covers the programming period starting on 1 January 2007 (the new programming period), transitional rules should be adopted to avoid any difficulties or delays in the implementation of rural development support during the transitional period.

Having regard to the Treaty of Accession of the Czech Republic, Estonia, Cyprus, Latvia, Lithuania, Hungary, Malta, Poland, Slovenia and Slovakia,

Having regard to the Act of Accession of the Czech Republic, Estonia, Cyprus, Latvia, Lithuania, Hungary, Malta, Poland, Slovenia and Slovakia, and in particular Article 32(5) thereof,

Having regard to Council Regulation (EC) No 1698/2005 of 20 September 2005 on support for rural development by the European Agricultural Fund for Rural Development (EAFRD) (1), and in particular Article 92(1) thereof,

Whereas:

- (1) Regulation (EC) No 1698/2005 is to apply from 1 January 2007. However, the provisions of Council Regulation (EC) No 1257/1999 of 17 May 1999 on support for rural development from the European Agricultural Guidance and Guarantee Fund (EAGGF) (²), repealed by Article 93 of Regulation (EC) No 1698/2005 as from 1 January 2007, are to continue to apply to actions approved by the Commission under those provisions before 1 January 2007.
- (2) To facilitate the transition from existing support schemes under Regulation (EC) No 1257/1999 to the rural devel-

- (3) Rural development support under Regulation (EC) No 1698/2005 is to cover the new programming period, whereas rural development support under Regulation (EC) No 1257/1999 covers the programming period ending on 31 December 2006 (the current programming period). Depending on the source of financing involved and its financial management rules in the current programming period in accordance with Articles 35 and 36 and Article 47b(1) of Regulation (EC) No 1257/1999, a distinction should be made between support from the EAGGF Guarantee Section based on non-differentiated budget appropriations and the financial year ending on 15 October 2006 in the Member States of the Community as constituted at 30 April 2004 on the one hand, and other support from the EAGGF Guidance or Guarantee Section for all Member States as provided for in Articles 29 to 32 of Council Regulation (EC) No 1260/1999 of 21 June 1999 laying down general provisions on the Structural Funds (3) on the other hand. In the latter case the final date of eligibility for expenditure is fixed in the Decisions approving Community support.
- (4) For rural development support financed by the EAGGF Guarantee Section and relating to programming in the Member States of the Community as constituted at 30 April 2004, transitional provisions should be laid down for payments from 16 October to 31 December 2006, as well as for commitments to beneficiaries in the current programming period for which payments may take place after 31 December 2006 during the new programming period.
- (5) For other support from the EAGGF Guidance or Guarantee Section in all Member States concerned as provided for in Articles 29 to 32 of Regulation (EC)

<sup>(1)</sup> OJ L 277, 21.10.2005, p. 1.

<sup>(2)</sup> OJ L 160, 26.6.1999, p. 80. Regulation as last amended by Regulation (EC) No 2223/2004 (OJ L 379, 24.12.2004, p. 1).

<sup>(3)</sup> OJ L 161, 26.6.1999, p. 1. Regulation as last amended by Regulation (EC) No 173/2005 (OJ L 29, 2.2.2005, p. 3).

No 1260/1999, owing to the overlapping of the current and new programming periods, from 1 January 2007 to the final date of eligibility for expenditure fixed in the Decisions approving Community support, a number of transitional arrangements should be made in terms of general principles and as regards certain rural development measures, including those involving multiannual commitments. For lessfavoured areas and agrienvironment, Article 5(1) 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 (1) provides for the application of good farming practice in the framework of Regulation (EC) No 1257/1999. For agri-environment more particularly, Article 21(3) of Commission Regulation (EC) No 817/2004 of 29 April 2004 laying down detailed rules for the application of Council Regulation (EC) No 1257/1999 on support for rural development from the European Agricultural Guidance and Guarantee Fund (EAGGF) (2) allows Member States to extend agri-environmental commitments within the current programming period.

- (6) There is a need to ensure the transition between the two programming periods as regards the derogation concerning compliance with Community standards in accordance with Article 33l(2a) and (2b) of Regulation (EC) No 1257/1999 in the Czech Republic, Estonia, Cyprus, Latvia, Lithuania, Hungary, Malta, Poland, Slovenia and Slovakia ('the new Member States').
- (7) To guarantee better implementation of the new programming period as regards agri-environment and animal welfare, Member States should be allowed to authorise the transformation of an agri-environmental or animal welfare commitment entered into on the basis of Regulation (EC) No 1257/1999 into a new commitment for a period of between five to seven years as a general rule under Regulation (EC) No 1698/2005 provided that the new commitment is beneficial to the environment or to animal welfare.
- (8) There is a need to establish specific transitional rules on expenditure relating to technical assistance, including *ex* ante and *ex* post evaluations for all types of programming.
- (1) OJ L 270, 21.10.2003, p. 1. Regulation as last amended by Commission Regulation (EC) No 1156/2006 (OJ L 208, 29.7.2006 p. 3)
- (2) OJ L 153, 30.4.2004, p. 30; corrected version (OJ L 231, 30.6.2004, p. 24). Regulation as amended by Regulation (EC) No 1360/2005 (OJ L 214, 19.8.2005, p. 55).

- (9) The transition to the new programming period should be ensured for certain measures involving multiannual commitments under Council Regulation (EC) No 1268/1999 of 21 June 1999 on Community support for pre-accession measures for agriculture and rural development in the applicant countries of central and eastern Europe in the pre-accession period (3) in the new Member States.
- (10) The Member States should ensure that transitional operations are clearly identified through their management and control systems. This is particularly crucial for certain types of support in all Member States for the sake of sound financial management and to prevent any risk of double financing owing to the overlapping of the programming periods from 1 January 2007 to the final date of eligibility for expenditure fixed in the Decisions approving Community support.
- (11) A correlation table for measures under the current and the new programming periods should be made available in order to clearly identify rural development measures over the two programming periods.
- (12) The measures provided for in this Regulation are in accordance with the opinion of the Rural Development Committee,

HAS ADOPTED THIS REGULATION:

#### TITLE I

#### SCOPE AND DEFINITIONS

#### Article 1

This Regulation lays down specific rules to facilitate the transition from the rural development programming under Regulations (EC) No 1257/1999 and (EC) No 1268/1999 to that established by Regulation (EC) No 1698/2005.

<sup>(3)</sup> OJ L 161, 26.6.1999, p. 87. Regulation as last amended by Regulation (EC) No 2112/2005 (OJ L 344, 27.12.2005, p. 23).

#### Article 2

For the purposes of this Regulation, the following definitions shall apply:

- (a) 'measures co-financed by the EAGGF Guarantee Section' means rural development measures as provided for in Regulation (EC) No 1257/1999, co-financed by the European Agricultural Guidance and Guarantee Fund (EAGGF) Guarantee Section and applicable in the Member States of the Community as constituted at 30 April 2004;
- (b) 'measures co-financed by the EAGGF Guidance Section and/or Guarantee Section' means:
  - (i) rural development measures as provided for in Regulation (EC) No 1257/1999, co-financed by the EAGGF Guidance Section, applicable in all Member States and to which Regulation (EC) No 1260/1999 applies;
  - (ii) measures under the Leader Community Initiative, provided for in Article 20(1)(c) of Regulation (EC) No 1260/1999;
  - (iii) rural development measures as provided for in Regulation (EC) No 1257/1999, co-financed by the EAGGF Guarantee Section, applicable in the new Member States and to which Articles 29 to 32 of Regulation (EC) No 1260/1999 apply;
- (c) 'new Member States' means the Czech Republic, Estonia, Cyprus, Latvia, Lithuania, Hungary, Malta, Poland, Slovenia and Slovakia;
- (d) 'current programming period' means the programming period under Regulation (EC) No 1257/1999 ending on 31 December 2006;

- (e) 'new programming period' means the programming period under Regulation (EC) No 1698/2005 starting on 1 January 2007:
- (f) 'commitments' means legal commitments undertaken to beneficiaries of rural development measures by the Member States:
- (g) 'payments' means payments made to beneficiaries of rural development measures by the Member States;
- (h) 'multiannual commitments' means commitments relating to:
  - (i) the following measures: early retirement of farmers and farm workers, agri-environment and animal welfare, meeting standards support to farmers, food quality support to farmers, afforestation of agricultural land, support for semi-subsistence farms and support for setting up producer groups;
  - (ii) support through interest rate subsidies, support through leasing and support for the setting up of young farmers where the single premium referred to Article 8(2)(a) of Regulation (EC) No 1257/1999 is fractioned into several instalments payable in a period exceeding 12 months from the date of payment of the first instalment.

#### TITLE II

#### TRANSITIONAL RULES FOR REGULATION (EC) No 1257/1999

#### CHAPTER 1

#### Measures co-financed by the EAGGF Guarantee Section

#### Article 3

1. Payments made between 16 October and 31 December 2006 under the current programming period shall be eligible under the European Agricultural Fund for Rural Development (EAFRD) pursuant to Article 39(1)(c) of Council Regulation (EC) No 1290/2005 (¹) only if they are made after the finalisation of payments authorised in accordance with the second sentence of Article 39(1)(a) of that Regulation.

<sup>(1)</sup> OL L 209, 11.8.2005, p. 1.

Eligible payments referred to in the first subparagraph shall be declared to the Commission by 31 January 2007, irrespective of Commission approval of the rural development programme concerned. Payment by the Commission shall, however, be made only once the programme has been approved.

under Regulation (EC) No 1698/2005 from the date from which no further commitments are undertaken in the current programming period at programme level in accordance with the first subparagraph of this paragraph.

2. Expenditure relating to commitments undertaken in the current programming period with payments to be made after 31 December 2006 shall be eligible under the EAFRD in the new programming period.

The second subparagraph of this paragraph may not apply for the transition from the Leader Community Initiative to the Leader Axis of the new programming period where the integrated local development strategies, to be implemented by local action groups referred to in Article 62 of Regulation (EC) No 1698/2005 which are selected for the new programming period, are new and/or the same rural territory has not benefited from the Leader Community Initiative.

However, payments relating to non-multiannual commitments undertaken by 31 December 2006 must comply with the eligibility conditions of the new programming period insofar as they extend beyond 31 December 2008.

2. Expenditure relating to commitments undertaken in the current programming period with payments to be made after the final date of eligibility for expenditure of that programming period shall be eligible under the EAFRD in the new programming period subject to Articles 7 and 8.

Rural development programmes for the new programming period must make a provision for expenditure referred to in the first subparagraph.

# Article 5 In the case of the agri-environment and animal welfare

#### CHAPTER 2

measures in the new Member States, only expenditure linked to commitments undertaken by 31 December 2006 in the current programming period for which payments are to be made after that date shall be eligible under the EAFRD in the new programming period.

#### Measures co-financed by the EAGGF Guidance Section and/or Guarantee Section

#### Section 1

Common rules

#### Article 4

1. Without prejudice to Articles 5 and 6, Member States may continue, within the current programming period, to undertake commitments and make payments from 1 January 2007 to the final date of eligibility for expenditure fixed in the Decisions approving Community support for operational programmes or rural development programming documents.

- 2. Expenditure referred to in paragraph 1 shall be eligible under the EAFRD in the new programming period from:
- (a) the final date of eligibility for expenditure of the current programming period, where payments continue after that date; or

However, for a given type of measures or sub-measures as listed in Annex I, Member States shall start undertaking commitments (b) a date earlier than the date referred to in point (a) but after 1 January 2007, where the amount allocated to the programme and/or measure has already been used up.

Rural development programmes for the new programming period must make a provision for expenditure referred to in the first subparagraph.

(b) a date earlier than the date referred to in point (a) but after 1 January 2007, where the amount allocated to the programme and/or measure has already been used up.

#### Article 6

1. Expenditure arising from commitments concerning compensatory allowances in lessfavoured areas in new Member States and relating to no later than the year 2006 may be declared up to the final date of eligibility for expenditure of the current programming period.

Rural development programmes for the new programming period must make a provision for expenditure referred to in the first subparagraph.

However, where the amount allocated to the programme and/or measure is used up earlier than the final date referred to in the first subparagraph but after 1 January 2007, expenditure outstanding with respect to commitments relating to no later than the year 2006 shall be eligible under the EAFRD in the new programming period, provided that the rural development programme for the new programming period makes a provision for such expenditure.

#### Article 8

1. For operations relating to non-multiannual commitments for which commitments to beneficiaries have been undertaken before the final date of eligibility for expenditure of the current programming period, any expenditure relating to payments outstanding beyond that date shall be eligible under the EAFRD in the new programming period from that date, provided that:

- 2. Expenditure arising from commitments concerning compensatory allowances in less-favoured areas in the new Member States with respect to years 2007 and 2008 shall be charged to the EAFRD and shall comply with Regulation (EC) No 1698/2005.
- (a) the competent authority of the Member State breaks down the operations into two distinct, identifiable financial and physical or development stages corresponding to the two programming periods;

#### Article 7

- 1. Expenditure relating to multiannual commitments other than those for agri-environment and animal welfare with payments to be made after the final date of eligibility for expenditure of the current programming period shall be eligible under the EAFRD in the new programming period.
- (b) the co-financing and eligibility conditions for the operations in the new programming period are met.

- 2. Expenditure referred to in paragraph 1 shall be eligible under the EAFRD in the new programming period from:
- 2. If funds for the current programming period are used up at a date earlier than the final date referred to in paragraph 1, the expenditure relating to payments outstanding beyond that earlier date shall be eligible under the EAFRD in the new programming period, provided that the conditions laid down in paragraph 1 are met.
- (a) the final date of eligibility for expenditure of the current programming period, where payments continue after that date; or
- 3. Member States must state in their rural development programmes under the new programming period if they use the possibilities referred to in paragraphs 1 and 2 for the measures concerned.

#### Section 2

Specific rules for new Member States

#### Article 9

With regard to compliance with Community standards in accordance with Article 33l(2a) and (2b) of Regulation (EC) No 1257/1999, expenditure relating to payments outstanding in respect of commitments to beneficiaries undertaken by the final date of eligibility for expenditure of the current programming period shall be eligible under the EAFRD in the new programming period, provided that the rural development programme for the new programming period makes a provision for such expenditure.

#### Article 10

No payments in respect of the following measures shall be eligible under the EAFRD in the new programming period:

- (a) farm advisory and extension services as referred to in Article 33g of Regulation (EC) No 1257/1999;
- (b) complements to direct payments as referred to in Article 33h of Regulation (EC) No 1257/1999;
- (c) complements to State aid in Malta as referred to in Article 33i of Regulation (EC) No 1257/1999;
- (d) aid to full-time farmers in Malta as referred to in Article 33j of Regulation (EC) No 1257/1999.

#### CHAPTER 3

#### Specific provision for agri-environment and animal welfare

#### Article 11

Before the end of a period for performing a commitment entered into under Chapter VI of Regulation (EC) No 1257/1999, Member States may authorise the transformation of that commitment into a new commitment for a period of between five and seven years as a general rule under Regulation (EC) No 1698/2005 provided that:

- (a) any such transformation is of unquestionable benefit to the environment or to animal welfare; and
- (b) the existing commitment is significantly reinforced.

#### CHAPTER 4

#### Expenditure under technical assistance

#### Section 1

Expenditure relating to measures co-financed by the EAGGF Guarantee Section

#### Article 12

- 1. Expenditure relating to the *ex ante* evaluation of the new programming period as referred to in Article 85 of Regulation (EC) No 1698/2005 may be charged to the EAGGF Guarantee Section under the current programming period within the timelimit set in Article 39(1)(a) of Regulation (EC) No 1290/2005, provided that the ceiling of 1 % referred to in the second paragraph of Article 59 of Regulation (EC) No 817/2004 is respected.
- 2. Expenditure relating to the ex post evaluation of the current programming period as referred to in Article 64 of Regulation (EC) No 817/2004 shall be eligible under the technical assistance component of the rural development programme in the new programming period, provided that it complies with the second subparagraph of Article 66(2) of Regulation (EC) No 1698/2005 and that the programme makes a provision for this purpose.

#### Section 2

Expenditure relating to measures co-financed by the EAGGF guidance section and/or guarantee section

#### Article 13

1. Expenditure under the current programming period incurred after the final date of eligibility for expenditure of that programming period and relating to operations covered by points 2 and 3 of Rule No 11 of the Annex to Commission Regulation (EC) No 1685/2000 (¹), with the exception of *ex post* evaluations, audits and preparation of final reports, shall not be eligible under the EAFRD in the new programming period.

<sup>(1)</sup> OJ L 193, 29.7.2000, p. 39.

- 2. Expenditure under the current programming period incurred by the final date of eligibility for expenditure of that programming period and relating to operations covered by the first indent of point 2.1 and by point 3 of Rule No 11 of the Annex to Regulation (EC) No 1685/2000, including *ex ante* evaluations referred to in Article 85 of Regulation (EC) No 1698/2005, for the preparation of rural development programmes under the new programming period, shall be, subject to the conditions laid down in points 2.2 to 2.7 and 3 of that Rule, eligible under the technical assistance component in the current operational programmes or rural development programming documents.
- 3. Expenditure for *ex post* evaluations of the current programming period as referred to in Article 43 of Regulation (EC) No 1260/1999 may be eligible under the EAFRD under the technical assistance component of the programmes in the new programming period, provided that it complies with the second subparagraph of Article 66(2) of Regulation (EC) No 1698/2005 and that the programme makes a provision for this purpose.

#### TITLE III

#### TRANSITIONAL RULES FOR REGULATION (EC) No 1268/1999

#### Article 14

As regards the measures referred to in the fourth, seventh and fourteenth indents of Article 2 of Regulation (EC) No

1268/1999, expenditure relating to payments to be made after 31 December 2006 shall be eligible under the EADRF in the new programming period provided that the conditions of Article 71(1) of Regulation (EC) No 1698/2005 are met and that the programme under the new programming period makes a provision for this purpose.

#### TITLE IV

#### FINAL PROVISIONS

#### Article 15

The Member States shall ensure that transitional operations falling within the scope of this Regulation are clearly identified through their management and control systems.

#### Article 16

The correlation table for measures under the current and the new programming periods is set out in Annex II.

#### Article 17

This Regulation shall enter into force on the seventh day following its publication in the Official Journal of the European Union

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

Done at Brussels, 5 September 2006.

For the Commission

Mariann FISCHER BOEL

Member of the Commission

#### ANNEX I

Types of rural development measures or sub-measures referred to in the second subparagraph of Article 4(1):

- training,
- setting up of young farmers,
- early retirement (new Member States),
- use of advisory services (new Member States),
- setting up of advisory, relief and management services (all Member States concerned)/provision of advisory and extension services (new Member States),
- investments in agricultural holdings,
- investments in forests,
- processing/marketing of agricultural and forestry products,
- land improvement, reparcelling, water resources management, agricultural infrastructure,
- restoration-prevention actions for agricultural production potential damaged by natural disasters,
- meeting Community standards/compliance with Community standards (new Member States) various standards,
- food quality schemes (new Member States) various schemes,
- promotion of quality products by producer groups (new Member States),
- semi-subsistence farms (new Member States),
- setting up of producer groups (new Member States),
- areas under environmental restrictions/Natura 2000 payments (new Member States),
- protection of the environment in connexion with agriculture/forestry,
- afforestation of agricultural land (new Member States),
- afforestation of non-agricultural land,
- ecological stability of forests,
- restoration-prevention actions in forestry/fire-breaks,
- off-farm diversification,
- craft/tourism activities,
- basic services various services,
- village renovation/renewal and development various types of operations,
- rural heritage various types of operations,
- leader running the local action groups and various types of operations under local development strategies and cooperation (except skills acquisition and animation actions).

ANNEX II

Correlation table for measures provided for in Regulation (EC) No 1257/1999, Regulation (EC) No 1268/1999 and Regulation (EC) No 1698/2005

Measures under Regulation (EC) No 1257/1999	Codes under Regulation (EC) No 817/2004 and Commission Regulation (EC) No 141/2004 (¹)	Categories under Commission Regulation (EC) No 438/2001 (²)	Axes and measures under Regulation (EC) No 1698/2005	Codes under Regulation (EC) No 1698/2005
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Training. Article 9	(c)	113 and 128	Article 20(a)(i) and Article 21: Training and information	111
Setting up of Young Farmers. Article 8	(b)	112	Article 20(a)(ii) and Article 22: Setting up of Young Farmers	112
Early retirement. Articles 10, 11 and 12	(d)	1	Article 20(a)(iii) and Article 23: Early retirement	113
Use of advisory services. Article 21d	(y)	1	Article 20(a)(iv) and Article 24: Use of advisory services	114
Setting up of advisory, management and relief services.	(1)	1303	Article 20(a)(v) and Article 25: Setting up of management, relief and advisory services	115
Article 33, third indent. Provision of advisory and extension services.				
Article 33g				
Investments in agricultural holdings. Articles 4 to 7	(a)	111	Article 20(b)(i) and Article 26: Modernisation of agricultural holdings	121
Investments in forests for improving economic value, establishment of forestry associations. Article 30(1), second and fifth indents	(i)	121 124	Article 20(b)(ii) and Article 27: Improvement of the economic value of forests	122
Processing and marketing of agricultural and forestry products, promotion of new outlets for forestry products. Articles 25 to 28 and Article 30(1), third and fourth indents.	(g) (i)	114	Article 20(b)(iii) and Article 28: Adding value to agricultural and forestry products	123
Marketing of quality products and setting up of quality schemes. Article 33, fourth indent	(m)	123		

Measures under Regulation (EC) No 1257/1999	Codes under Regulation (EC) No 817/2004 and Commission Regulation (EC) No 141/2004 (¹)	Categories under Commission Regulation (EC) No 438/2001 ( <sup>2</sup> )	Axes and measures under Regulation (EC) No 1698/2005	Codes under Regulation (EC) No 1698/2005
			Article 20(b)(iv) and Article 29: Cooperation for development of new products-processes- technologies	124
Land improvement, reparcelling, water resources management, agricultural infrastructure. Article 33, first, second, eighth and ninth indents	(j) (k) (q)	1301 1302 1308	Article 20(b)(v) and Article 30: Agricultural and forestry infra- structure	125
Restoration-prevention instruments. Article 33, twelfth indent	(r)	1309	Article 20(b)(vi): Restoration-prevention actions	126
Meeting standards Articles 21b and 21c. Compliance with standards Article 33l(2a) and (2b)	(x)	1	Article 20(c)(i) and Article 31: Meeting standards	131
Food quality schemes Articles 24b and 24c	(z)	1	Article 20(c)(ii) and Article 32: Food quality schemes	132
Support to Producer Groups for promotion of quality products Article 24d	(aa)	I	Article 20(c)(iii) and Article 33: Information and promotion	133
Semi-subsistence farming Article 33b	(ab)	1	Article 20(d)(i) and Article 34: Semi-subsistence farming	141
Producer groups Article 33d	(ac)	I	Article 20(d)(ii) and Article 35: Producer groups	142
			Axis 2	
Less favoured areas payments, mountain areas. Articles 13, 14, 15 and 18	(e)	1	Article 36(a)(i) and Article 37: Natural handicap payments in mountains	211
Less favoured areas payments, other less favoured areas. Articles 3, 14, 15, 18 and 19	(e)	1	Article 36(a)(ii) and Article 37: Natural handicap payments in areas other than mountain areas	212

Measures under Regulation (EC) No 1257/1999	Codes under Regulation (EC) No 817/2004 and Commission Regulation (EC) No 141/2004 (¹)	Categories under Commission Regulation (EC) No 438/2001 (²)	Axes and measures under Regulation (EC) No 1698/2005	Codes under Regulation (EC) No 1698/2005
Areas under environmental restrictions. Article 16	(e)	I	Article 36(a)(iii) and Article 38. Natura 2000 and payments linked to Directive 2000/60/EC of the European Parliament and of the Council (3)	213
Agri-environment. Articles 22, 23 and 24	(f)	1	Article 36(a)(iv) and Article 39: Agri-environment payments	214
Animal welfare.	(f)	1	Article 36(a)(v) and Article 40: Animal welfare payments	215
Articles. 22, 23 and 24.  Protection of the environment in connexion with animal welfare.  Article 33, 11th indent	(t)	1312		
Protection of the envir- onment in connexion with agriculture. Article 33, 11th indent	(t)	1312	Article 36(a)(vi) and Article 41: Non-productive investments	216
Afforestation of agricultural land. Article 31	(h)	1	Article 36(b)(i) and Article 43: First afforestation of agricultural land	221
			Article 36(b)(ii) and Article 44: First establishment of agroforestry systems	222
Afforestation of non-agricultural land. Article 30(1), first indent	(i)	126	Article 36(b)(iii) and Article 45: First afforestation of non-agri- cultural land	223
Ecological stability of forests. Article 32(1), first indent	(i)	127	Article 36(b)(iv) and Article 46: Natura 2000 payments	224
Ecological stability of forests. Article 32(1), first indent	(i)	127	Article 36(b)(v) and Article 47: Forest-environment payments	225

Codes under Regulation (EC) No 817/2004 and Commission Regulation (EC) No 141/2004 ( <sup>1</sup> )	Categories under Commission Regulation (EC) No 438/2001 (²)	Axes and measures under Regulation (EC) No 1698/2005	Codes under Regulation (EC) No 1698/2005
(i)	125	Article 36(b)(vi) and Article 48: Restoration-prevention in forestry	226
(i)	121	Article 36(b)(vii) and Article 49: Non-productive investments	227
(t)	1312		
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(o)	1306	Article 52(b)(ii): Village renewal and development	322
(o)	1306	Article 52(b)(iii) and Article 57: Conservation and upgrading of the rural heritage	323
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	Regulation (EC) No 817/2004 and Commission Regulation (EC) No 141/2004 (¹)  (i)  (i)  (t)  (p)  (s)  (v)  (s)  (n)  (o)	Regulation (EC) No 817/2004 and Commission Regulation (EC) No 141/2004 (¹)       Categories under Commission Regulation (EC) No 438/2001 (²)         (i)       125         (ii)       121         (t)       1312         (p)       1307         (s)       1311         (v)       1314         (s)       1310         (n)       1305         (o)       1306         (o)       1306	Regulation (EC) No 817/2004 and No 141/2004 (*)         Categories under Commission Regulation (EC) No 148/2001 (*)         Axes and measures under Regulation (EC) No 1698/2005           (i)         125         Article 36(b)(vi) and Article 48: Restoration-prevention in forestry           (i)         121         Article 36(b)(vii) and Article 49: Non-productive investments           (b)         1312         Article 52(a)(i) and Article 53: Diversification           (c)         1311         Article 52(a)(ii) and Article 54: Business creation and development           (v)         1314         Article 52(a)(iii) and Article 55: Tourism activities           (n)         1305         Article 52(b)(ii) and Article 56: Basic services           (o)         1306         Article 52(b)(iii) and Article 57: Conservation and development           (w)         1306         Article 52(b)(iii) and Article 58: Training and information and



Measures under Regulation (EC) No 1257/1999	Codes under Regulation (EC) No 817/2004 and Commission Regulation (EC) No 141/2004 (¹)  Categories under Commission Regulation (EC) No 438/2001 (²)		Axes and measures under Regulation (EC) No 1698/2005	Codes under Regulation (EC) No 1698/2005	
			Axis 4		
Leader+ Communication and Leader+ type measures. Article 33f			Article 63(a): Local development strategies	41	
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	all the old codes	ement/environment: under Regulations 04 and (EC) No onding to Axis 2		412 envir- onment/land management	
	the old codes und No 817/2004 and corresponding to following categori (EC) No 438/20 166, 167, 171 t	/quality of life: all ler Regulations (EC) (EC) No 438/2001 Axis 3, plus the es from Regulation 01: 161 to 164, o 174, 22 to 25, 33, 341, 343, 345, d 36.		413 quality of life/diversi- fication	
Leader+ Communication and Leader+ type measures. Article 33f	1				
Action 2: cooperation		1305-3 1305-4	Article 63(b): Cooperation	421	
Leader+ Communication and Leader+ type measures. Article 33f	1				
Action 3: running the local action groups		1305-1 1305-2	Article 63(c): Running the local action groups, animation	431	
Leader+ Communication and Leader+ type measures. Article 33f	1				
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Technical assistance			Technical assistance	
Technical assistance		411 to 415	Article 66(2): Technical assistance	511
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Measures under Regulation (EC) No 1268/1999			Measures under Regulation (EC) No 1698/2005	
Agricultural production methods designed to protect the environment and maintain the countryside Article 2, fourth indent	1	1	Article 36(a)(iv) and Article 39: Agri-environment payments	214
Setting up producer groups Article 2, seventh indent	1	1	Article 20(d)(ii) and Article 35: Producer groups	142
Forestry Article 2, 14th indent	1	1	Article 36(b)(i) and Article 43: First afforestation of agricultural land	221

<sup>(</sup>¹) OJ L 24, 29.1.2004, p. 25. (²) OJ L 63, 3.3.2001, p. 21. (³) OJ L 327, 22.12.2000, p. 1.

#### COMMISSION REGULATION (EC) No 1321/2006

#### of 5 September 2006

#### fixing the import duties applicable to certain husked rice from 6 September 2006

THE COMMISSION OF THE EUROPEAN COMMUNITIES,

Having regard to the Treaty establishing the European Community,

Having regard to Council Regulation (EC) No 1785/2003 of 29 September 2003 on the common organisation of the market in rice (¹), and in particular Article 1a,

#### Whereas:

(1) Based on the information provided by the competent authorities, the Commission notes that import licences for husked rice falling within CN code 1006 20 excluding import licences for Basmati rice have been issued in respect of 430 075 tonnes for 1 September 2005 to 31 August 2006. The import duty for semi-milled or wholly milled rice falling within CN code

1006 20, other than Basmati rice, must therefore be amended.

(2) As the applicable duty must be fixed no later than ten days from the end of the period referred to above, this Regulation must enter into force immediately,

HAS ADOPTED THIS REGULATION:

#### Article 1

The import duty for husked rice falling within CN code 1006 20 shall be EUR 42,5 per tonne.

#### Article 2

This Regulation shall enter into force on the day of its publication in the Official Journal of the European Union.

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

Done at Brussels, 5 September 2006.

For the Commission

Jean-Luc DEMARTY

Director-General for Agriculture and

Rural Development

OJ L 270, 21.10.2003, p. 96. Regulation as last amended by Regulation (EC) No 797/2006 (OJ L 144, 31.5.2006, p. 1).

II

(Acts whose publication is not obligatory)

#### **COUNCIL**

#### **COUNCIL DECISION**

#### of 5 May 2006

on the signing and provisional application of the Agreement between the European Community and the Government of the Republic of Singapore on certain aspects of air services

(2006/592/EC)

THE COUNCIL OF THE EUROPEAN UNION,

Having regard to the Treaty establishing the European Community, and in particular Article 80(2), in conjunction with Article 300(2), first sentence of the first subparagraph thereof,

Having regard to the proposal from the Commission,

#### Whereas:

- (1) The Council authorised the Commission on 5 June 2003 to open negotiations with third countries on the replacement of certain provisions in existing bilateral agreements with a Community agreement.
- (2) On behalf of the Community, the Commission has negotiated an Agreement with the Government of the Republic of Singapore on certain aspects of air services, hereinafter referred to as 'the Agreement', in accordance with the mechanisms and directives in the Annex to the Council Decision authorising the Commission to open negotiations with third countries on the replacement of certain provisions in existing bilateral agreements with a Community agreement.
- (3) The Agreement should be signed and provisionally applied, subject to its possible conclusion at a later date,

HAS DECIDED AS FOLLOWS:

#### Article 1

The signing of the Agreement between the European Community and the Government of the Republic of

Singapore on certain aspects of air services is hereby approved on behalf of the Community, subject to the Council Decision concerning the conclusion of the said Agreement.

The text of the Agreement is attached to this Decision.

#### Article 2

The President of the Council is hereby authorised to designate the person(s) empowered to sign the Agreement on behalf of the Community subject to its conclusion.

#### Article 3

Pending its entry into force, the Agreement shall be applied provisionally from the first day of the first month following the date on which the Parties have notified each other of the completion of the necessary procedures for this purpose.

#### Article 4

The President of the Council is hereby authorised to make the notification provided in Article 7(2) of the Agreement.

Done at Brussels, 5 May 2006.

For the Council The President K.-H. GRASSER

#### **AGREEMENT**

# between the European Community and the Government of the Republic of Singapore on certain aspects of air services

THE EUROPEAN COMMUNITY

of the one part, and

THE GOVERNMENT OF THE REPUBLIC OF SINGAPORE (hereinafter referred to as Singapore)

of the other part

(hereinafter referred to as the Contracting Parties)

NOTING that the European Court of Justice has found that certain provisions of bilateral agreements entered into by several Member States with third countries are incompatible with European Community law,

NOTING that a number of bilateral air services agreements have been concluded between several Member States of the European Community and Singapore containing similar provisions and that there is an obligation on Member States to take all appropriate steps to eliminate incompatibilities between such agreements and the EC Treaty,

NOTING that the European Community has exclusive competence with respect to a number of aspects that may be included in bilateral air service agreements between Member States of the European Community and third countries,

NOTING that, under European Community law, Community air carriers established in a Member State have the right to non-discriminatory access to air routes between that Member State and third countries,

HAVING REGARD to the agreements between the European Community and certain third countries providing for the possibility for the nationals of such third countries to acquire ownership in air carriers licensed in accordance with European Community law,

RECOGNISING that consistency between European Community law and provisions of bilateral air service agreements between Member States of the European Community and Singapore will provide a viable means to ensure continuity and development of air services between the European Community and Singapore,

NOTING that provisions of the bilateral air services agreements between Member States of the European Community and Singapore, which are not inconsistent with European Community law, do not need to be affected by this Agreement,

NOTING that it is not a purpose of the European Community in this Agreement to increase the total volume of air traffic between the European Community and Singapore, to affect the balance between Community air carriers and air carriers of Singapore, or to prevail over the interpretation of the provisions of existing bilateral air service agreements concerning traffic rights,

HAVE AGREED AS FOLLOWS:

#### Article 1

#### General provisions

- 1. For the purposes of this Agreement, 'Member States' shall mean Member States of the European Community; 'Contracting Party' shall mean a contracting party to this Agreement; 'party' shall mean the contracting party to the relevant bilateral air services agreement; 'air carrier' shall also mean airline; 'territory of the European Community' shall mean territories of the Member States to which the Treaty establishing the European Community applies.
- 2. References in each of the Agreements listed in Annex I to nationals of the Member State that is a party to that Agreement shall be understood as referring to nationals of the Member States of the European Community.
- 3. References in each of the Agreements listed in Annex I to air carriers or airlines of the Member State that is a party to that Agreement shall be understood as referring to air carriers or airlines designated by that Member State.

#### Article 2

#### Designation, authorisation and revocation

- 1. The provisions in paragraphs 3 and 4 of this Article shall prevail over the corresponding provisions in the Articles listed in Annex II(a) and (b) respectively, in relation to the designation of air carriers by the Member State concerned, its authorisations and permissions granted by Singapore, and the refusal, revocation, suspension or limitation of the authorisations or permissions of the air carrier, respectively.
- 2. The provisions in paragraphs 3 and 4 of this Article shall prevail over the corresponding provisions in the Articles listed in Annex II(a) and (b) respectively, in relation to the designation of air carriers by Singapore, its authorisations and permissions granted by the Member State concerned, and the refusal, revocation, suspension or limitation of the authorisations or permissions of the air carrier, respectively, if the relevant Member State affirms the application of the provisions in paragraphs 3 and 4 of this Article.
- 3. On receipt of such a designation, and of applications from the designated air carrier(s), in the form and manner prescribed for operating authorisations and technical permissions, each party shall, subject to paragraphs 4 and 5 grant the appropriate authorisations and permissions with minimum procedural delay, provided that:
- (a) in the case of an air carrier designated by a Member State:
  - (i) the air carrier is established, under the Treaty establishing the European Community, in the territory of the designating Member State and has a valid operating licence from a Member State in accordance with European Community law; and
  - (ii) effective regulatory control of the air carrier is exercised and maintained by the Member State responsible for issuing its air operator's certificate and the relevant aeronautical authority is clearly identified in the designation; and
  - (iii) the air carrier has its principal place of business in the territory of the Member State from which it has received the valid operating licence; and
  - (iv) the air carrier is owned directly or through majority ownership and is effectively controlled by Member States and/or nationals of Member States, and/or by other States listed in Annex III and/or nationals of such other States.
- (b) in the case of an air carrier designated by Singapore:

- (i) Singapore has and maintains effective regulatory control of the air carrier; and
- (ii) it has its principal place of business in Singapore.
- 4. Either party may refuse, revoke, suspend or limit the operating authorisation or technical permissions of an air carrier designated by the other party where:
- (a) in the case of an air carrier designated by a Member State:
  - (i) the air carrier is not established, under the Treaty establishing the European Community, in the territory of the designating Member State or does not have a valid operating licence from a Member State in accordance with European Community law; or
  - (ii) effective regulatory control of the air carrier is not exercised or not maintained by the Member State responsible for issuing its air operator's certificate, or the relevant aeronautical authority is not clearly identified in the designation; or
  - (iii) the air carrier does not have its principal place of business in the territory of the Member State from which it has received its operating licence; or
  - (iv) the air carrier is not owned directly or through majority ownership and is not effectively controlled by Member States and/or nationals of Member States, and/or by other States listed in Annex III and/or nationals of such other States; or
  - (v) it can be demonstrated that by exercising traffic rights under this Agreement on a route that includes a point in another Member State, including the operation of a service which is marketed as, or otherwise constitutes a through service, the air carrier would in effect be circumventing restrictions on traffic rights imposed by an agreement between Singapore and that other Member State; or
  - (vi) the air carrier holds an air operator's certificate issued by a Member State and there is no bilateral air services agreement between Singapore and that Member State and it can be demonstrated that the necessary traffic rights to conduct the proposed operation are not reciprocally available to the designated air carrier(s) of Singapore.

- (b) in the case of an air carrier designated by Singapore:
  - (i) Singapore is not maintaining effective regulatory control of the air carrier; or
  - (ii) it does not have its principal place of business in Singapore.
- 5. In exercising its right under paragraph 4, and without prejudice to its rights under paragraph 4(a)(v) and (vi) of this Article, Singapore shall not discriminate between air carriers of Member States on the grounds of nationality.

#### Article 3

#### Rights with regard to regulatory control

- 1. The provisions in paragraph 2 of this Article shall complement the articles listed in Annex II(c).
- 2. Where a Member State (the first Member State) has designated an air carrier whose regulatory control is exercised and maintained by a second Member State, the rights of Singapore under the safety provisions of the agreement between the first Member State that has designated the air carrier and Singapore shall apply equally in respect of the adoption, exercise or maintenance of safety standards by that second Member State and in respect of the operating authorisation of that air carrier.

#### Article 4

#### Tariffs for carriage within the European Community

- 1. The provisions in paragraph 2 of this Article shall complement the articles listed in Annex II(d).
- 2. The tariffs to be charged by the air carrier(s) designated by Singapore under an Agreement listed in Annex I containing a provision listed in Annex II(d) for carriage wholly within the European Community shall be subject to European Community law. European Community law is applied on a non-discriminatory basis.

#### Article 5

#### Annexes to the Agreement

The Annexes to this Agreement shall form an integral part thereof.

#### Article 6

#### Revision or amendment

The Contracting Parties may, at any time, revise or amend this Agreement by mutual consent.

#### Article 7

#### Entry into force

- 1. This Agreement shall enter into force when the Contracting Parties have notified each other in writing that their respective internal procedures necessary for its entry into force have been completed.
- 2. Notwithstanding paragraph 1, the Contracting Parties agree to provisionally apply this Agreement from the first day of the month following the date on which the Contracting Parties have notified each other of the completion of the procedures necessary for this purpose.
- 3. Agreements and other arrangements between Member States and Singapore which, at the date of signature of this Agreement, have not yet entered into force and are not being applied provisionally are listed in Annex I(b). This Agreement shall apply to all such Agreements and arrangements upon their entry into force or provisional application.

#### Article 8

#### Termination

- 1. In the event that an Agreement listed in Annex I is terminated, all provisions of this Agreement that relate to the Agreement listed in Annex I concerned shall terminate at the same time.
- 2. In the event that all Agreements listed in Annex I are terminated, this Agreement shall terminate at the same time.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the undersigned, being duly authorised, have signed this Agreement.

Done at Luxembourg in duplicate, on this ninth day of June in the year two thousand and six, in the Czech, Danish, Dutch, English, Estonian, Finnish, French, German, Greek, Hungarian, Italian, Latvian, Lithuanian, Maltese, Polish, Portuguese, Slovak, Slovenian, Spanish, and Swedish languages. In case of any dispute the English text shall prevail over the other language texts.

Por la Comunidad Europea Za Evropské společenství For Det Europæiske Fællesskab Für die Europäische Gemeinschaft Euroopa Ühenduse nimel Για την Ευρωπαϊκή Κοινότητα For the European Community Pour la Communauté européenne Per la Comunità europea Eiropas Kopienas vārdā Europos bendrijos vardu Az Európai Közösség részéről Ghall-Komunità Ewropea Voor de Europese Gemeenschap W imieniu Wspólnoty Europejskiej Pela Comunidade Europeia Za Európske spoločenstvo Za Evropsko skupnost Euroopan yhteisön puolesta För Europeiska gemenskapen



Por el Gobierno de la República de Singapur Za vládu Singapurské republiky For Republikken Singapores regering Für die Regierung der Republik Singapur Singapuri Vabariigi valitsuse nimel Για την κυβέρνηση της Δημοκρατίας της Σιγκαπούρης For the Government of the Republic of Singapore Pour le gouvernement de la République de Singapour Per il governo della Repubblica di Singapore Singapūras Republikas valdības vārdā Singapūro Respublikos Vyriausybės vardu A Szingapúri Köztársaság Kormánya részéről Ghall-Gvern tar-Repubblika ta' Singapor Voor de regering van de Republiek Singapore W imieniu Rządu Republiki Singapuru Pelo Governo da República de Singapura Za vládu Singapurskej republiky Za vlado Singapurske republike Singaporen tasavallan hallituksen puolesta För Republiken Singapores regering



#### ANNEX I

#### List of agreements referred to in Article 1 of this Agreement

- (a) Air services agreements between the Republic of Singapore and Member States of the European Community which, at the date of signature of this Agreement, have been concluded, signed and/or are being applied provisionally:
  - Agreement between the Austrian Federal Government and the Government of the Republic of Singapore for Air Services between and beyond their respective territories, done at Singapore on 8 August 1978, as amended (hereinafter referred to as Singapore-Austria Agreement),
  - Agreement between the Government of the Kingdom of Belgium and the Government of the Republic of Singapore for Air Services between and beyond their respective territories, done at Singapore on 29 May 1967, as amended (hereinafter referred to as Singapore-Belgium Agreement),
  - Air Services Agreement between the Government of the Republic of Singapore and the Government of the Republic of Cyprus, done at Nicosia on 27 January 1989 (hereinafter referred to as Singapore-Cyprus Agreement),
  - Agreement between the Czechoslovak Socialist Republic and the Republic of Singapore for Air Services between
    and beyond their respective territories, signed at Singapore on 7 September 1971, in respect of which the Czech
    Republic declared that it considers itself to be bound by the provisions thereof, as amended (hereinafter referred
    to as Singapore-Czech Republic Agreement),
  - Agreement between the Government of the Kingdom of Denmark and the Government of the Republic of Singapore for Air Services between and beyond their respective territories, done at Singapore on 20 December 1966, as amended (hereinafter referred to as Singapore-Denmark Agreement),
  - Draft Air Services Agreement between the Government of the Kingdom of Denmark and the Government of the Republic of Singapore, initialled at Singapore on 21 October 1998 and given provisional effect (hereinafter referred to as Draft Revised Singapore-Denmark Agreement),
  - Agreement between the Government of the Republic of Finland and the Government of the Republic of Singapore for air services between and beyond their respective territories, done at Singapore on 19 January 1984, as amended (hereinafter referred to as Singapore-Finland Agreement),
  - Agreement between the Government of the Republic of France and the Government of the Republic of Singapore relating to Air Services between and beyond their respective territories, done at Singapore on 29 June 1967, as amended (hereinafter referred to as Singapore-France Agreement),
  - Agreement between the Federal Republic of Germany and the Republic of Singapore for air services between and beyond their respective territories, done at Singapore on 15 February 1969, as amended and supplemented by the Supplementary Memorandum of Understanding, signed in Bonn on 7 June 2000 (hereinafter referred to as Singapore-Germany Agreement),
  - Agreement between the Government of the Kingdom of Greece and the Government of the Republic of Singapore
    for Air Services between and beyond their respective territories, done at Singapore on 21 August 1971, as
    amended (hereinafter referred to as Singapore-Greece Agreement),
  - Air Transport Agreement between the Government of the Republic of Hungary and the Government of the Republic of Singapore, done at Singapore on 9 March 1990 (hereinafter referred to as Singapore-Hungary Agreement),
  - Agreement between the Government of the Italian Republic and the Government of the Republic of Singapore for air services between and beyond their respective territories, done at Singapore on 28 June 1985, as amended (hereinafter referred to as Singapore-Italy Agreement),
  - Agreement between the Government of Ireland and the Government of the Republic of Singapore for Air Services between and beyond their respective territories, done at Singapore on 20 February 1981 (hereinafter referred to as Singapore-Ireland Agreement),

- Air Services Agreement between the Government of the Republic of Latvia and the Government of the Republic of Singapore, done at Singapore on 6 October 1999 (hereinafter referred to as Singapore-Latvia Agreement),
- Agreement between the Government of the Grand-Duchy of Luxembourg and the Government of the Republic of Singapore for Air Services between and beyond their respective territories, signed at Singapore on 9 April 1975, as amended (hereinafter referred to as Singapore-Luxembourg Agreement),
- Agreement between the Government of the Republic of Malta and the Government of the Republic of Singapore
  for Air Services between and beyond their respective territories, done at London on 19 July 1983, as amended
  (hereinafter referred to as Singapore-Malta Agreement),
- Agreement between the Government of the Kingdom of the Netherlands and the Government of the Republic of Singapore for Air Services between and beyond their respective territories, done at Singapore on 29 December 1966, as amended (hereinafter referred to as Singapore-Netherlands Agreement),
- Agreement between the Government of the Polish People's Republic and the Government of the Republic of Singapore for air services between and beyond their respective territories, done at Singapore on 22 December 1979, as amended (hereinafter referred to as Singapore-Poland Agreement),
- Air Services Agreement between the Republic of Portugal and the Republic of Singapore as annexed to the Memorandum of Understanding initialled at Singapore on 7 November 1997 (hereinafter referred to as Draft Singapore-Portugal Agreement),
- Agreement between the Czechoslovak Socialist Republic and the Republic of Singapore signed at Singapore on 7 September 1971, in respect of which the Slovak Republic declared that it considers itself to be bound by the provisions thereof, as amended (hereinafter referred to as Singapore-Slovakia Agreement),
- Air Services Agreement between the Government of the Slovak Republic and the Government of the Republic of Singapore, initialled at Singapore on 27 December 1996 and given provisional effect (hereinafter referred to as Draft Singapore-Slovakia Agreement),
- Air Transport Agreement between the Kingdom of Spain and the Republic of Singapore, done at Madrid on 11 March 1992, as amended (hereinafter referred to as Singapore-Spain Agreement),
- Agreement between the Government of the Republic of Singapore and the Government of the Kingdom of Sweden for air services between and beyond their respective territories, signed at Singapore on 20 December 1966, as amended (hereinafter referred to as Singapore-Sweden Agreement),
- Draft Air Service Agreement between the Government of the Kingdom of Sweden and the Government of the Republic of Singapore, initialled at Singapore on 21 October 1998 and given provisional effect (hereinafter referred to as Draft Revised Singapore-Sweden Agreement),
- Agreement between the Government of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland and the Government of the Republic of Singapore for Air Services between and beyond their respective territories, done at Singapore on 12 January 1971 as amended (hereinafter referred to as Singapore-United Kingdom Agreement).
- (b) Air services agreements and other arrangements initialled or signed between the Republic of Singapore and Member States of the European Community which, at the date of signature of this Agreement, have not yet entered into force and are not being applied provisionally.

#### ANNEX II

#### List of Articles in the agreements listed in Annex I and referred to in Articles 2 to 5 of this Agreement

- (a) Designation by a Member State:
  - Article 3 of the Singapore-Austria Agreement,
  - Article 3 of the Singapore-Belgium Agreement,
  - Article 3 of the Singapore-Cyprus Agreement,
  - Article 3 of the Singapore-Czech Republic Agreement,
  - Article 3 of the Singapore-Denmark Agreement,
  - Article 3 of the Draft Revised Singapore-Denmark Agreement,
  - Article 3 of the Singapore-Finland Agreement,
  - Article 3 of the Singapore-France Agreement,
  - Article 3 of the Singapore-Germany Agreement,
  - Article 4 of the Singapore-Greece Agreement,
  - Article 3 of the Singapore-Hungary Agreement,
  - Article 3 of the Singapore-Ireland Agreement,
  - Article 4 of the Singapore-Italy Agreement,
  - Article 3 of the Singapore-Latvia Agreement,
  - Article 3 of the Singapore-Luxembourg Agreement,
  - Article 3 of the Singapore-Malta Agreement,
  - Article 3 of the Singapore-Netherlands Agreement,
  - Article 3 of the Singapore-Poland Agreement,
  - Article 3 of the Singapore-Portugal Agreement,
  - Article 3 of the Singapore-Slovakia Agreement,
  - Article 3 of the Draft Singapore-Slovakia Agreement,
  - Article 3 of the Singapore-Spain Agreement,
  - Article 3 of the Singapore-Sweden Agreement,
  - Article 3 of the Draft Revised Singapore-Sweden Agreement,
  - Article 3 of the Singapore-United Kingdom Agreement.
- (b) Refusal, revocation, suspension or limitation of authorisations or permissions:
  - Article 3 of the Singapore-Austria Agreement,
  - Article 3 of the Singapore-Belgium Agreement,
  - Article 4 of the Singapore-Cyprus Agreement,
  - Article 3 of the Singapore-Czech Republic Agreement,

- Article 3 of the Singapore-Denmark Agreement,
- Article 4 of the Draft Revised Singapore-Denmark Agreement,
- Article 4 of the Singapore-Finland Agreement,
- Article 3 of the Singapore-France Agreement,
- Article 3 of the Singapore-Germany Agreement,
- Article 5 of the Singapore-Greece Agreement,
- Article 4 of the Singapore-Hungary Agreement,
- Article 4 of the Singapore-Ireland Agreement,
- Article 5 of the Singapore-Italy Agreement,
- Article 4 of the Singapore-Latvia Agreement,
- Article 3 of the Singapore-Luxembourg Agreement,
- Article 4 of the Singapore-Malta Agreement,
- Article 3 of the Singapore-Netherlands Agreement,
- Article 3 of the Singapore-Poland Agreement,
- Article 4 of the Singapore-Portugal Agreement,
- Article 3 of the Singapore-Slovakia Agreement,
- Article 4 of the Draft Singapore-Slovakia Agreement,
- Article 4 of the Singapore-Spain Agreement,
- Article 3 of the Singapore-Sweden Agreement,
- Article 4 of the Draft Revised Singapore-Sweden Agreement,
- Article 4 of the Singapore-United Kingdom Agreement.

#### (c) Regulatory control:

- Article 11 of the Singapore-Cyprus Agreement,
- Article 14 of the Draft Revised Singapore-Denmark Agreement,
- Article 8a of the Singapore-Finland Agreement,
- Article 9 A of Annex F to the Supplementary Memorandum of Understanding, signed in Bonn on 7 June 2000 —
  as applied provisionally in the framework of the Singapore-Germany Agreement,
- Article 8 of the Singapore-Hungary Agreement,
- Article 8 of the Singapore-Latvia Agreement,
- Article 15 of the Singapore-Portugal Agreement,
- Article 8 of the Draft Singapore-Slovakia Agreement,
- Article 10 of the Singapore-Spain Agreement,
- Article 14 of the Draft Revised Singapore-Sweden Agreement,
- Article 11bis of the Singapore-United Kingdom Agreement.

- (d) Tariffs for carriage within the European Community:
  - Article 9 of the Singapore-Austria Agreement,
  - Article 10 of the Singapore-Belgium Agreement,
  - Article 13 of the Singapore-Cyprus Agreement,
  - Article 10 of the Singapore-Czech Republic Agreement,
  - Article 10 of the Singapore-Denmark Agreement,
  - Article 10 of the Draft Revised Singapore-Denmark Agreement,
  - Article 11 of the Singapore-Finland Agreement,
  - Article 9 of the Singapore-France Agreement,
  - Article 7 of the Singapore-Germany Agreement,
  - Article 11 of the Singapore-Greece Agreement,
  - Article 12 of the Singapore-Hungary Agreement,
  - Article 11 of the Singapore-Ireland Agreement,
  - Article 8 of the Singapore-Italy Agreement,
  - Article 12 of the Singapore-Latvia Agreement,
  - Article 9 of the Singapore-Luxembourg Agreement,
  - Article 11 of the Singapore-Malta Agreement,
  - Article 10 of the Singapore-Netherlands Agreement,
  - Article 9 of the Singapore-Poland Agreement,
  - Article 18 of the Singapore-Portugal Agreement,
  - Article 10 of the Singapore-Slovakia Agreement,
  - Article 12 of the Draft Singapore-Slovakia Agreement,
  - Article 6 of the Singapore-Spain Agreement,
  - Article 10 of the Singapore-Sweden Agreement,
  - Article 10 of the Draft Revised Singapore-Sweden Agreement,
  - Article 9 of the Singapore-United Kingdom Agreement.

#### ANNEX III

#### List of other States referred to in Article 2 of this Agreement

- (a) The Republic of Iceland (under the Agreement on the European Economic Area);
- (b) The Principality of Liechtenstein (under the Agreement on the European Economic Area);
- (c) The Kingdom of Norway (under the Agreement on the European Economic Area);
- (d) The Swiss Confederation (under the Agreement between the European Community and the Swiss Confederation on Air Transport).

#### **COMMISSION**

#### **COMMISSION DECISION**

#### of 4 August 2006

fixing an indicative allocation by Member State of the commitment appropriations for the Regional competitiveness and employment objective for the period 2007-2013

(notified under document number C(2006) 3472)

(2006/593/EC)

THE COMMISSION OF THE EUROPEAN COMMUNITIES,

Having regard to the Treaty establishing the European Community,

Having regard to Council Regulation (EC) No 1083/2006 of 11 July 2006 laying down general provisions for the European Regional Development Fund, the European Social Fund and the Cohesion Fund and repealing Regulation (EC) No 1260/1999 (1), and in particular Article 18(2) thereof,

#### Whereas:

- (1) Pursuant to point (b) of Article 3(2) of Regulation (EC) No 1083/2006, the Regional competitiveness and employment objective aims at strengthening the competitiveness and attractiveness of regions.
- (2) Pursuant to point (b) of Article 4(1) of Regulation (EC) No 1083/2006, the European Regional Development Fund and the European Social Fund contribute towards achieving the objectives referred to in point (b) of Article 3(2) of that Regulation. Pursuant to Article 4(2), the Cohesion Fund also intervenes in those regions not eligible for support under the Convergence objective which belong to Member States eligible for support under that Fund.
- (3) Pursuant to Article 20 of Regulation (EC) No 1083/2006, 15,95 % of the resources available for commitment from the European Regional Development Fund, the European Social Fund and the Cohesion Fund (hereinafter the Funds) for the period 2007 to 2013 are to be allocated to the Regional competitiveness and employment objective, including 21,14 % for the transitional and specific support referred to in Article 8(2) of that Regulation.

- (4) It is necessary to make indicative breakdowns by Member States of the resources to be allocated to the Regional competitiveness and employment objective. Pursuant to Article 18(2) of Regulation (EC) No 1083/2006, this should be done in accordance with the criteria and methodology set out in Annex II to Regulation (EC) No 1083/2006.
- (5) The fourth point of Annex II to Regulation (EC) No 1083/2006 establishes the method for allocating available resources to the Member States and regions eligible for funding pursuant to Article 6 of that Regulation.
- (6) Point 6(b) of Annex II to Regulation (EC) No 1083/2006 establishes the method for determining the allocations under the transitional supports referred to in Article 8(2) of that Regulation.
- (7) Point 7 of Annex II to Regulation (EC) No 1083/2006 determines the maximum level of transfer from the Funds to each individual Member State.
- (8) Points 12 to 31 of Annex II to Regulation (EC) No 1083/2006 fix the amounts pertaining to certain specific cases for the period 2007 to 2013.
- (9) Pursuant to Article 24 of Regulation (EC) No 1083/2006, 0,25 % of the resources available for commitment from the Funds for the period 2007 to 2013 shall be devoted to finance technical assistance at the initiative of the Commission; the indicative allocation by Member States should therefore be exclusive of the amount corresponding to technical assistance,

<sup>(1)</sup> OJ L 210, 31.7.2006, p. 25.

HAS ADOPTED THIS DECISION:

#### Article 1

The indicative amounts by Member State of the commitment appropriations for the regions eligible for funding from the Structural Funds under the Regional competitiveness and employment objective as referred to in Article 6 of Regulation (EC) No 1083/2006, including the additional amounts fixed in Annex II to that Regulation, shall be as set out in Table 1 of Annex I.

The annual breakdown by Member State by year of the commitment appropriations referred to in the previous paragraph shall be as set out in Table 2 of Annex I.

#### Article 2

The indicative amounts by Member State of the commitment appropriations for the transitional and specific support from the Structural Funds under the Regional competitiveness and

employment objective as referred to in Article 8(2) of Regulation (EC) No 1083/2006, including the additional amounts fixed in Annex II to that Regulation, shall be as set out in Table 1 of Annex II.

The annual breakdown by Member State by year of the commitment appropriations referred to in the previous paragraph shall be as set out in Table 2 of Annex II.

#### Article 3

This Decision is addressed to the Member States.

Done at Brussels, 4 August 2006.

For the Commission

Danuta HÜBNER

Member of the Commission

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Indicative allocation by Member State of the commitment appropriations for the regions eligible for funding from the Structural Funds under the Regional competitiveness and employment objective for the period from 1 January 2007 to 31 December 2013

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				16		199 500 000															199 500 000						
		Regions eligible under the	negional competitiveness and employment objective	1 264 522 294	172 351 284	452 135 320	8 273 934 718	2 925 887 307	9 000 763 163	260 155 399	4 539 667 937	44 796 164	1 472 879 499	761 883 269	435 196 895	398 057 758	778 631 938	1 077 567 589	5 335 717 800	37 194 148 334							
		Member State		België/Belgique	Česká republika	Danmark	Deutschland	España	France	Ireland	Italia	Luxembourg	Nederland	Österreich	Portugal	Slovensko	Suomi-Finland	Sverige	United Kingdom	Total							

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59 287 258 57 274 995
133 169 207 133 169 207
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ANNEX II

Indicative allocation by Member State of the commitment appropriations for the regions eligible for funding from the Structural Funds on a specific and transitional basis under the Regional competitiveness and employment objective for the period from 1 January 2007 to 31 December 2013

(EUR)

		TABLE 1	— Amount of ap	ppropriations (2004	1 prices)	
Member State	Regions eligible under the transi- tional regime of	Additional fund	ing referred to in	Annex II to Coun- under point:	cil Regulation (EC)	No 1083/2006
Member state	the Regional competitiveness and employment objective	15	19	20	26	27
Ellada	582 395 315					
España	3 649 807 023		99 749 993	434 492 233	299 250 000	
Ireland	418 744 086					
Italia	626 325 208					250 372 500
Kypros	361 895 758					
Magyarorszag	1 720 653 088	139 732 594				
Portugal	347 157 850			58 848 251		
Suomi-Finland	324 544 537			164 835 524		
United Kingdom	880 529 981					
Total	8 912 052 846	139 732 594	99 749 993	658 176 008	299 250 000	250 372 500

Member State		Т	ABLE 2 — Yearly b	reakdown of approp	riations (2004 prices	s)	
Member State	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013
Ellada	205 317 626	157 827 178	110 336 730	62 846 282	15 355 833	15 355 833	15 355 833
España	1 206 899 743	986 622 023	766 344 304	546 066 584	325 788 865	325 788 865	325 788 865
Ireland	143 368 343	110 877 547	78 386 752	45 895 958	13 405 162	13 405 162	13 405 162
Italia	216 111 659	180 773 664	145 435 670	110 097 675	74 759 680	74 759 680	74 759 680
Kypros	101 752 415	82 287 352	62 822 288	43 357 223	23 892 160	23 892 160	23 892 160
Magyarorszag	646 048 749	498 162 329	350 275 909	202 389 488	54 503 069	54 503 069	54 503 069
Portugal	102 050 610	87 367 364	72 684 118	58 000 871	43 317 626	28 634 379	13 951 133
Suomi-Finland	99 696 384	89 768 069	79 839 753	69 911 437	59 983 122	50 054 806	40 126 490
United Kingdom	285 202 703	223 208 873	161 215 043	99 221 213	37 227 383	37 227 383	37 227 383
Total	3 006 448 232	2 416 894 399	1 827 340 567	1 237 786 731	648 232 900	623 621 337	599 009 775

## of 4 August 2006

# fixing an indicative allocation by Member State of the commitment appropriations for the Convergence objective for the period 2007-2013

(notified under document number C(2006) 3474)

(2006/594/EC)

THE COMMISSION OF THE EUROPEAN COMMUNITIES,

Having regard to the Treaty establishing the European Community,

Having regard to Council Regulation (EC) No 1083/2006 of 11 July 2006 laying down general provisions for the European Regional Development Fund, the European Social Fund and the Cohesion Fund and repealing Regulation (EC) No 1260/1999 (1), and in particular Article 18(2) thereof,

## Whereas:

- (1) Pursuant to point (a) of Article 3(2) of Regulation (EC) No 1083/2006 the Convergence objective aims at speeding up the convergence of the least developed Member States and regions.
- (2) Pursuant to point (a) Article 4(1) of Regulation (EC) No 1083/2006 the European Regional Development Fund, the European Social Fund and the Cohesion Fund (hereinafter the Funds) contribute towards achieving the objectives referred to in point (a) of Article 3(2) of that Regulation.
- (3) Pursuant to the third subparagraph of Article 18(1) of Regulation (EC) No 1083/2006 the breakdown of the resources available for commitment from the Funds shall be such to achieve a significant concentration on the regions of the Convergence objective.
- (4) Pursuant to Article 19 of Regulation (EC) No 1083/2006 81,54 % of the resources available for commitment from the Funds for the period 2007 to 2013 are to be allocated to the Convergence objective, including 4,99 % for the transitional and specific support referred to in Article 8(1), 23,22 % for the financing referred to in Article 5(2) and 1,29 % for the transitional and specific support referred to in Article 8(3) of that Regulation.
- (5) It is necessary to make indicative breakdowns by Member States of the resources to be allocated to the Convergence objective. Pursuant to Article 18(2) of Regulation (EC) No

1083/2006, this should be done in accordance with the criteria and methodology set out in Annex II of Regulation (EC) No 1083/2006.

- (6) The first and the second points of Annex II of Regulation (EC) No 1083/2006 establish the method for allocating available resources, respectively, to the regions eligible for support from the Convergence objective and to the Member States eligible for support from the Cohesion Fund.
- (7) Points 6(a) and 6(c) of Annex II of Regulation (EC) No 1083/2006 establish the method for determining the allocations under the transitional supports referred to respectively under points 1 and 3 of Article 8 of that Regulation.
- (8) Point 7 of Annex II of Regulation (EC) No 1083/2006 determines the maximum level of transfer from the Funds to each individual Member State.
- (9) Points 12 to 31 of Annex II of Regulation (EC) No 1083/2006 fix the amounts pertaining to certain specific cases for the period 2007 to 2013.
- (10) Pursuant to Article 24 of Regulation (EC) No 1083/2006 0,25 % of the resources available for commitment from the Funds for the period 2007 to 2013 shall be devoted to finance technical assistance at the initiative of the Commission; the indicative allocation by Member States should therefore be exclusive of the amount corresponding to technical assistance,

HAS ADOPTED THIS DECISION:

## Article 1

The indicative amounts by Member State of the commitment appropriations for the regions eligible for funding from the Structural Funds under the Convergence objective as referred to in Article 5(1) of Regulation (EC) No 1083/2006, including the additional amounts fixed in Annex II of that Regulation, shall be as set out in Table 1 of Annex I.

<sup>(1)</sup> OJ L 210, 31.7.2006, p. 25.

The annual breakdown by Member State by year of the commitment appropriations referred to in the previous paragraph shall be as set out in Table 2 of Annex I.

## Article 2

The indicative amounts by Member State of the commitment appropriations for the transitional and specific support from the Structural Funds under the Convergence objective as referred to in Article 8(1) of Regulation (EC) No 1083/2006, including the additional amounts fixed in Annex II of that Regulation, shall be as set out in Table 1 of Annex II.

The annual breakdown by Member State by year of the commitment appropriations referred to in the previous paragraph shall be as set out in Table 2 of Annex II.

## Article 3

The indicative amounts by Member State of the commitment appropriations for the Member States eligible for support from the Cohesion Fund under the Convergence objective, as referred to in Article 5(2) of Regulation (EC) No 1083/2006, shall be as set out in Table 1 of Annex III.

The annual breakdown by Member State by year of the commitment appropriations referred to in the previous paragraph shall be as set out in Table 2 of Annex III.

## Article 4

The indicative amounts by Member State of the commitment appropriations for the Member States eligible for support, on a specific and transitional basis, from the Cohesion Fund under the Convergence objective as referred to in Article 8(3) of Regulation (EC) No 1083/2006, shall be as set out in Table 1 of Annex IV.

The annual breakdown by Member State by year of the commitment appropriations referred to in the previous paragraph shall be as set out in Table 2 of Annex IV.

## Article 5

This Decision is addressed to the Member States.

Done at Brussels, 4 August 2006.

Indicative allocation by Member State of the commitment appropriations for the regions eligible for funding from the Structural Funds under the Convergence objective for the period from 1 January 2007 to 31 December 2013

ANNEX I

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			TABLE 1 — A	Amount of appropriations (2004 prices)	004 prices)		
Member State	Regions eligible		Additional funding re	Additional funding referred to in Annex II to Council Regulation (EC) No 1083/2006 under point:	ncil Regulation (EC) No 108	3/2006 under point:	
	under ure Convergence objective	§ 14	§ 20	§ 24	\$ 26	\$ 28	§ 30
Česká republika	15 111 066 754						
Deutschland	10 360 473 669						166 582 500
Eesti	1 955 979 029			31 365 110			
Ellada	8 358 352 296						
España	17 283 774 067				1 396 500 000		
France	2 403 498 342		427 408 905				
Italia	17 993 716 405					825 930 000	
Latvija	2 586 694 732			53 886 609			
Lietuva	3 875 516 071			79 933 567			
Magyarorszag	12 622 187 455						
Malta	493 750 177						
Polska	38 507 171 321	880 349 050					
Portugal	15 143 387 819		58 206 001				
Slovenija	2 401 302 729						
Slovensko	6 214 921 468						
United Kingdom	2 429 762 895						
Total	157 741 555 229	880 349 050	485 614 906	165 185 286	1 396 500 000	825 930 000	166 582 500

			TABLE 2 — Year	Yearly breakdown of appropriations (2004 prices)	ons (2004 prices)		(EUR)
Member State	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013
Česká republika	1 993 246 617	2 050 979 461	2 106 089 584	2 162 632 571	2 216 183 128	2 266 449 252	2 315 486 141
Deutschland	1 503 865 167	1 503 865 167	1 503 865 167	1 503 865 167	1 503 865 167	1 503 865 167	1 503 865 167
Eesti	229 977 253	245 929 572	262 982 602	281 212 290	300 982 256	322 136 118	344 124 048
Ellada	1 194 050 328	1 194 050 328	1 194 050 328	1 194 050 328	1 194 050 328	1 194 050 328	1 194 050 328
España	2 668 610 581	2 668 610 581	2 668 610 581	2 668 610 581	2 668 610 581	2 668 610 581	2 668 610 581
France	404 415 321	404 415 321	404 415 321	404 415 321	404 415 321	404 415 321	404 415 321
Italia	2 688 520 915	2 688 520 915	2 688 520 915	2 688 520 915	2 688 520 915	2 688 520 915	2 688 520 915
Latvija	308 012 292	330 054 158	353 328 505	376 808 997	400 322 218	424 084 983	447 970 188
Lietuva	528 903 377	525 252 930	525 724 448	549 071 072	581 530 171	606 085 051	638 882 589
Magyarorszag	1 838 275 243	1 749 371 409	1 634 208 005	1 659 921 561	1 847 533 517	1 913 391 641	1 979 486 079
Malta	81 152 175	73 854 132	68 610 286	61 225 559	61 225 559	68 610 286	79 072 180
Polska	5 686 360 306	5 705 409 032	5 720 681 799	5 535 346 918	5 557 271 412	5 579 376 731	5 603 074 173
Portugal	2 171 656 260	2 171 656 260	2 171 656 260	2 171 656 260	2 171 656 260	2 171 656 260	2 171 656 260
Slovenija	423 258 365	397 135 571	370 643 430	343 781 942	316 551 106	288 950 923	260 981 392
Slovensko	939 878 406	896 645 972	845 960 417	765 136 058	807 732 837	873 727 195	1 085 840 583
United Kingdom	347 108 985	347 108 985	347 108 985	347 108 985	347 108 985	347 108 985	347 108 985
Total	23 007 291 591	22 952 859 794	22 866 456 633	22 713 364 525	23 067 559 761	23 321 039 737	23 733 144 930

## ANNEX II

Indicative allocation by Member State of the commitment appropriations for the regions eligible for funding from the Structural Funds on a specific and transitional basis under the Convergence objective for the period from 1 January 2007 to 31 December 2013

(EUR)

	TAE	BLE 1 — Amount	of appropriations (	(2004 prices)				
Member State	Regions eligible under the transitional regime of the	Additional funding referred to in Annex II to Council Regulation (EC) No 1083/2006 under point:						
	Convergence objective	§ 26	§ 27	§ 28	§ 30			
België/Belgique	577 162 814							
Deutschland	3 703 187 217				57 855 000			
Ellada	5 764 732 161							
España	1 281 194 398	99 750 000	49 874 998					
Italia	276 189 653			110 722 500				
Österreich	158 159 247							
Portugal	253 475 814							
United Kingdom	157 668 280							
Total	al 12 171 769 584	99 750 000	49 874 998	110 722 500	57 855 000			

Member State		1	TABLE 2 — Yearly 1	oreakdown of approp	oriations (2004 price	s)	
- Memoer state	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013
België/Belgique	140 860 108	121 390 683	101 921 256	82 451 831	62 982 404	43 512 979	24 043 553
Deutschland	653 249 463	614 596 891	575 944 319	537 291 745	498 639 173	459 986 599	421 334 027
Ellada	1 013 524 846	950 194 286	886 863 726	823 533 166	760 202 605	696 872 046	633 541 486
España	344 327 561	297 685 964	251 044 367	204 402 770	157 761 175	111 119 578	64 477 981
Italia	85 272 320	75 272 602	65 272 883	55 273 165	45 273 446	35 273 728	25 274 009
Österreich	27 808 219	26 070 205	24 332 192	22 594 178	20 856 165	19 118 151	17 380 137
Portugal	64 441 805	55 031 480	45 621 155	36 210 831	26 800 506	17 390 181	7 979 856
United Kingdom	40 228 788	34 327 205	28 425 623	22 524 040	16 622 457	10 720 875	4 819 292
Total	2 369 713 110	2 174 569 316	1 979 425 521	1 784 281 726	1 589 137 931	1 393 994 137	1 198 850 341

ANNEX III

Indicative allocation by Member State of the commitment appropriations for the Member States eligible for funding from the Cohesion Fund under the Convergence objective for the period from 1 January 2007 to 31 December 2013

(EUR)

	TABLE 1 — Amount o	f appropriations (2004 prices)
Member State		Additional funding referred to in Annex II to Council Regulation (EC) No 1083/2006 under point 24
Česká republika	7 809 984 551	
Eesti	1 000 465 639	16 157 785
Ellada	3 280 399 675	
Kypros	193 005 267	
Latvija	1 331 962 318	27 759 767
Lietuva	1 987 693 262	41 177 899
Magyarorszag	7 570 173 505	
Malta	251 648 410	
Polska	19 512 850 811	
Portugal	2 715 031 963	
Slovenija	1 235 595 457	
Slovensko	3 424 078 134	
Total	50 312 888 992	85 095 451

Member State		7	ΓABLE 2 — Yearly l	breakdown of approp	oriations (2004 price	s)	
- Member State	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013
Česká republika	1 032 973 476	1 061 839 898	1 089 394 960	1 117 666 453	1 144 441 732	1 169 574 794	1 194 093 238
Eesti	118 267 391	126 243 551	134 770 066	143 884 910	153 769 893	164 346 824	175 340 789
Ellada	468 628 525	468 628 525	468 628 525	468 628 525	468 628 525	468 628 525	468 628 525
Kypros	52 598 692	42 866 160	33 133 627	23 401 096	13 668 564	13 668 564	13 668 564
Latvija	159 639 206	170 660 138	182 297 312	194 037 557	205 794 168	217 675 551	229 618 153
Lietuva	180 857 472	230 966 558	277 869 373	303 013 907	320 491 883	348 611 677	367 060 291
Magyarorszag	328 094 604	687 358 082	1 080 433 910	1 308 130 864	1 343 212 938	1 388 664 318	1 434 278 789
Malta	24 809 997	32 469 219	37 971 049	45 716 955	45 716 955	37 971 049	26 993 186
Polska	1 883 652 471	2 208 285 009	2 532 817 229	2 755 750 999	3 075 155 487	3 377 773 568	3 679 416 048
Portugal	387 861 709	387 861 709	387 861 709	387 861 709	387 861 709	387 861 709	387 861 709
Slovenija	86 225 407	115 705 905	145 555 750	175 774 942	206 363 481	237 321 369	268 648 603
Slovensko	197 125 902	317 519 267	452 740 053	630 951 164	664 262 430	668 505 352	492 973 966
Total	4 920 734 852	5 850 404 021	6 823 473 563	7 554 819 081	8 029 367 765	8 480 603 300	8 738 581 861

## ANNEX IV

Indicative allocation by Member State of the commitment appropriations for the Member States eligible for funding from the Cohesion Fund on a specific and transitional bases under the Convergence objective for the period from 1 January 2007 to 31 December 2013

(EUR)

Member State	TABLE 1 — Amount of appropriations (2004 prices)
España	3 241 875 000
Total	3 241 875 000

Member State		ē	ГАВLЕ 2 — Yearly l	oreakdown of approp	priations (2004 price	s)	
Member State	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013
España	1 197 000 000	847 875 000	498 750 000	249 375 000	199 500 000	149 625 000	99 750 000
Total	1 197 000 000	847 875 000	498 750 000	249 375 000	199 500 000	149 625 000	99 750 000

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THE COMMISSION OF THE EUROPEAN COMMUNITIES,

Having regard to the Treaty establishing the European Community,

Having regard to the Council Regulation (EC) No 1083/2006 of 11 July 2006 laying down general provisions for the European Regional Development Fund, the European Social Fund and the Cohesion Fund and repealing Regulation (EC) No 1260/1999 (1), and in particular Article 5(3) and 8(4) thereof.

## Whereas:

- (1) Pursuant to Article 3(2)(a) of Regulation (EC) No 1083/2006 the Convergence objective aims at speeding up the Convergence of the least developed Member States and regions.
- (2) Pursuant to Article 5(1) of Regulation (EC) No 1083/2006 the regions eligible for funding from the Structural Funds under the Convergence objective shall be regions corresponding to level 2 of the Nomenclature of Territorial Statistical Units (hereinafter NUTS level 2) within the meaning of Regulation (EC) No 1059/2003 of the European Parliament and of the Council (2) whose per capita gross domestic product (GDP), measured in purchasing power parities and calculated on the basis of Community figures for the period 2000-2002, is less than 75 % of the average GDP of the EU-25 for the same reference period.
- (3) Pursuant to Article 8(1) of Regulation (EC) No 1083/2006 specifies that the NUTS level 2 regions which would have been eligible for Convergence objective status under Article 5(1) of that Regulation had the eligibility threshold remained at 75 % of

average GDP of the EU-15, but which lose eligibility because their nominal per capita GDP level will exceed 75 % of the average GDP of the EU-25, measured and calculated according to the same Article 5(1), are also eligible, on a transitional and specific basis, for financing by the Structural Funds under the Convergence objective.

(4) It is necessary to establish the lists of eligible regions accordingly,

HAS ADOPTED THIS DECISION:

## Article 1

The regions eligible for funding from the Structural Funds under the Convergence objective shall be those listed in Annex I.

## Article 2

The regions eligible for funding from the Structural Funds under the Convergence objective on a transitional and specific basis, as referred to in Article 8(1) of Regulation (EC) No 1083/2006, shall be those listed in Annex II.

## Article 3

This Decision is addressed to the Member States.

Done at Brussels, 4 August 2006.

<sup>(1)</sup> OJ L 210, 31.7.2006, p. 25.

<sup>(2)</sup> OJ L 154, 21.6.2003, p. 1.

## ANNEX I

# List of NUTS 2 regions eligible for funding from the Structural Funds under the Convergence objective for the period from 1 January 2007 to 31 December 2013

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CZ02	Střední Čechy	LT00	Lietuva
CZ03	Jihozápad	111121	W" ( D ( ) (1
CZ04	Severozápad	HU21	Közép-Dunántúl
CZ05	Severovýchod	HU22	Nyugat-Dunántúl
CZ06	Jihovýchod	HU23	Dél-Dunántúl
CZ07	Střední Morava	HU31	Észak-Magyarország
CZ08	Moravskoslezsko	HU32	Észak-Alföld
		HU33	Dél-Alföld
DE41	Brandenburg — Nordost		
DE80	Mecklenburg-Vorpommern	MT00	Malta
DED1	Chemnitz		
DED2	Dresden	PL11	Łódzkie
DEE1	Dessau	PL12	Mazowieckie
DEE3	Magdeburg	PL21	Małopolskie
DEG0	Thüringen	PL22	Śląskie
		PL31	Lubelskie
EE00	Eesti	PL32	Podkarpackie
		PL33	Świętokrzyskie
GR11	Anatoliki Makedonia, Thraki	PL34	Podlaskie
GR14	Thessalia	PL41	Wielkopolskie
GR21	Ipeiros	PL42	Zachodniopomorskie
GR22	Ionia Nisia	PL43	Lubuskie
GR23	Dytiki Ellada	PL51	Dolnośląskie
GR25	Peloponnisos	PL52	Opolskie
GR41	Voreio Aigaio	PL61	Kujawsko-Pomorskie
GR43	Kriti	PL62	Warmińsko-Mazurskie
		PL63	Pomorskie
ES11	Galicia		
ES42	Castilla-La Mancha	PT11	Norte
ES43	Extremadura	PT16	Centro (PT)
ES61	Andalucía	PT18	Alentejo
		PT20	Região Autónoma dos Açores
FR91	Guadeloupe		
FR92	Martinique	SI00	Slovenija
FR93	Guyane		
FR94	Réunion	SK02	Západné Slovensko
		SK03	Stredné Slovensko
ITF3	Campania	SK04	Východné Slovensko
ITF4	Puglia		
ITF6	Calabria	UKK3	Cornwall and Isles of Scilly
ITG1	Sicilia	UKL1	West Wales and The Valleys
			,
LV00	Latvija		
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## ANNEX II

# List of NUTS 2 regions eligible for funding from the Structural Funds on a transitional and specific basis under the Convergence objective for the period from 1 January 2007 to 31 December 2013

BE32	Province of Hainaut
DE42	Brandenburg — Südwest
DE93	Lüneburg
DED3	Leipzig
DEE2	Halle
GR12	Kentriki Makedonia
GR13	Dytiki Makedonia
GR30	Attiki
ES12	Principado de Asturias
ES62	Región de Murcia
ES63	Ciudad Autónoma de Ceuta
ES64	Ciudad Autónoma de Melilla
ITF5	Basilicata
AT11	Burgenland
PT15	Algarve
UKM4	Highlands and Islands

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THE COMMISSION OF THE EUROPEAN COMMUNITIES,

Having regard to the Treaty establishing the European Community,

Having regard to Council Regulation (EC) No 1083/2006 of 11 July 2006 laying down general provisions for the European Regional Development Fund, the European Social Fund and the Cohesion Fund and repealing Regulation (EC) No 1260/1999 (1), and in particular Articles 5(3) and 8(4) thereof.

## Whereas:

- (1) Pursuant to Article 1(1) of Regulation (EC) No 1083/2006 establishing a Cohesion Fund the Cohesion Fund contributes to strengthening the economic and social cohesion of the Community in the interests of promoting sustainable development.
- (2) Pursuant to Article 5(2) of Regulation (EC) No 1083/2006 the Member States eligible for funding from the Cohesion Fund shall be those whose per capita gross national income (GNI), measured in purchasing power parities and calculated on the basis of Community figures for the period 2001-2003, is less than 90 % of the average GNI of the EU-25.
- (3) Pursuant to Article 8(3) of Regulation (EC) No 1083/2006 the Member States eligible for funding from the Cohesion Fund in 2006 and which would have continued to be eligible had the eligibility threshold remained at 90 % of average GNI of the EU-15, but which lose eligibility because their nominal per capita GNI will exceed 90 % of average GNI of the

EU-25 average measured and calculated according to Article 5(2) of that Regulation, are also eligible, on a transitional and specific basis, for financing by the Cohesion Fund.

 It is necessary to establish the lists of eligible Member States accordingly,

HAS ADOPTED THIS DECISION:

## Article 1

The Member States eligible for funding from Cohesion Fund on 1 January 2007 shall be those listed in Annex I.

#### Article 2

The Member States eligible for funding from Cohesion Fund on a transitional and specific basis, as referred to in Article 8(3) of Regulation (EC) No 1083/2006, shall be those listed in Annex II.

## Article 3

This Decision is addressed to the Member States.

Done at Brussels, 4 August 2006.

## ANNEX I

## List of Member States eligible for funding from the Cohesion Fund on 1 January 2007

Czech Republic
Estonia
Greece
Cyprus
Latvia
Lithuania
Hungary
Malta
Poland
Portugal
Slovenia
Slovakia
ANNEX II
List of Member States eligible for funding from the Cohesion Fund on a transitional and specific basis for the period from 1 January 2007 to 31 December 2013
Spain

## of 4 August 2006

drawing up the list of regions eligible for funding from the Structural Funds on a transitional and specific basis under the Regional competitiveness and employment objective for the period 2007-2013

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THE COMMISSION OF THE EUROPEAN COMMUNITIES,

Having regard to the Treaty establishing the European Community,

Having regard to Council Regulation (EC) No 1083/2006 of 11 July 2006 laying down general provisions for the European Regional Development Fund, the European Social Fund and the Cohesion Fund and repealing Regulation (EC) No 1260/1999 (1), and in particular Article 8(4) thereof,

## Whereas:

- (1) Pursuant to point (b) of Article 3(2) of Regulation (EC) No 1083/2006 the Regional competitiveness and employment objective aims at strengthening the competitiveness and attractiveness of regions.
- Pursuant to the first subparagraph of Article 8(2) of (2)Regulation (EC) No 1083/2006 the NUTS level II regions totally covered by Objective 1 in 2006 under Article 3 of Council Regulation (EC) No 1260/1999 of 21 June 1999 laying down general provisions on the Structural Funds (2) whose nominal per capita gross domestic product (GDP) level, measured and calculated according to Article 5(1) of Regulation (EC) No 1083/2006, will exceed 75 % of the average GDP of the EU 15 shall be eligible, on a transitional and specific basis, for financing by the Structural Funds under the Regional competitiveness and employment objective.

- Pursuant to the second subparagraph of Article 8(2) of (3)Regulation (EC) No 1083/2006, Cyprus shall also benefit in 2007-2013 from the transitional financing applicable to the regions referred to in the first subparagraph of the same Article.
- It is necessary to establish the lists of eligible regions accordingly,

HAS ADOPTED THIS DECISION:

## Article 1

The regions eligible for funding from the Structural Funds under the Regional competitiveness and employment objective on a transitional and specific basis, as referred to in Article 8(2) of Regulation (EC) No 1083/2006, shall be those listed in the Annex to this Decision.

## Article 2

This Decision is addressed to the Member States.

Done at Brussels, 4 August 2006.

<sup>(</sup>¹) OJ L 210, 31.7.2006, p. 25. (²) OJ L 161, 26.6.1999, p. 1. Regulation as last amended by Regulation (EC) No 1198/2006 (OJ L 223, 15.8.2006, p. 1).

## ANNEX

List of NUTS II regions eligible for funding from the Structural Funds on a transitional and specific basis under the Regional competitiveness and employment objective for the period from 1 January 2007 to 31 December 2013

Sterea Ellada
Notio Aigaio
Castilla y León
Comunidad Valenciana
Canarias
Border, Midland and Western
Sardegna
Kypros/Kıbrıs
Közép-Magyarország
Região Autónoma da Madeira
Itä-Suomi
Merseyside
South Yorkshire