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(Acts whose publication is obligatory)

COUNCIL REGULATION (EEC) No 2917/76

of 23 November 1976

amending Regulation (EEC) No 2824/72 laying down general rules for the financing of interventions by the Guarantee Section of the European Agricultural Guidance and Guarantee Fund

THE COUNCIL OF THE EUROPEAN COMMUNITIES,

Having regard to the Treaty establishing the European Economic Community,

Having regard to Council Regulation (EEC) No 729/70 of 21 April 1970 on the financing of the common agricultural policy⁽¹⁾, as last amended by Regulation (EEC) No 2788/72⁽²⁾, and in particular Article 3 (2) thereof,

Having regard to the proposal from the Commission,

Whereas the Annex to Council Regulation (EEC) No 2824/72 of 28 December 1972 laying down general rules for financing interventions by the Guarantee Section of the European Agricultural Guidance and Guarantee Fund⁽³⁾, as last amended by Regulation (EEC) No 709/76⁽⁴⁾, lists the measures which are interventions intended to stabilize agricultural markets for the purposes of Article 3 (1) of Regulation (EEC) No 729/70; whereas, since the said Annex was last

amended, certain measures have been adopted which, as regards the financing of the common agricultural policy, should be considered as interventions intended to stabilize agricultural markets; whereas the said Annex should therefore be amended;

Whereas the codification of Regulations in certain sectors requires that their numbers should be altered in the said Annex; whereas the said Annex has been amended several times since 1972, namely by Regulations (EEC) No 526/73⁽⁵⁾, (EEC) No 3536/73⁽⁶⁾, (EEC) No 330/74⁽⁷⁾, (EEC) No 2683/74⁽⁸⁾ and (EEC) No 1175/75⁽⁹⁾; whereas the whole Annex, including the latest amendments, should therefore be consolidated,

HAS ADOPTED THIS REGULATION:

Sole Article

The Annex to Regulation (EEC) No 2824/72 is hereby replaced by the Annex to this Regulation.

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

Done at Brussels, 23 November 1976.

For the Council

The President

A. P. L. M. M. van der STEE

⁽¹⁾ OJ No L 94, 28. 4. 1970, p. 13.
⁽²⁾ OJ No L 295, 30. 12. 1972, p. 1.
⁽³⁾ OJ No L 298, 31. 12. 1972, p. 5.
⁽⁴⁾ OJ No L 84, 31. 3. 1976, p. 5.

⁽⁵⁾ OJ No L 51, 24. 2. 1973, p. 1.
⁽⁶⁾ OJ No L 361, 29. 12. 1973, p. 2.
⁽⁷⁾ OJ No L 37, 9. 2. 1974, p. 5.
⁽⁸⁾ OJ No L 288, 25. 10. 1974, p. 4.
⁽⁹⁾ OJ No L 117, 7. 5. 1975, p. 8.

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1. Buying-in and consequent transactions carried out by an intervention agency pursuant to Article 7 (1) (2) and (3) of Regulation (EEC) No 2727/75.
2. The particular and special intervention measures provided for in Article 8 (1) and (2) of Regulation (EEC) No 2727/75.
3. Carry-over payments provided for in Article 9 of Regulation (EEC) No 2727/75.
4. The production aid for durum wheat provided for in Article 10 of Regulation (EEC) No 2727/75.
5. The production refunds provided for in Article 11 of Regulation (EEC) No 2727/75.
6. Subsidies provided for in Article 23 of Regulation (EEC) No 2727/75.

II. RICE

1. The buying-in and consequent transactions carried out by an intervention agency pursuant to Article 5 (1) and (2) of Regulation (EEC) No 1418/76.
2. The special intervention measures provided for in Article 6 of Regulation (EEC) No 1418/76.
3. Carry-over payments provided for in Article 8 of Regulation (EEC) No 1418/76.
4. Production refunds provided for in Article 9 of Regulation (EEC) No 1418/76.

III. MILK AND MILK PRODUCTS

1. Buying-in of butter and consequent transactions carried out by an intervention agency pursuant to Article 6 (1) and the first sentence of the first or second subparagraph of Article 6 (3) of Regulation (EEC) No 804/68.
2. The private storage aid for butter and cream provided for in Article 6 (2) of Regulation (EEC) No 804/68.
3. The special measures for the disposal of butter provided for in the second sentence of the second subparagraph of Article 6 (3) of Regulation (EEC) No 804/68.
4. Buying-in of skimmed-milk powder and consequent transactions carried out by an intervention agency pursuant to Article 7 (1) and (2) of Regulation (EEC) No 804/68.
5. The private storage aids for skimmed-milk powder provided for in Article 7 (3) of Regulation (EEC) No 804/68.
6. Buying-in of Grana Padano and Parmigiano Reggiano cheeses and consequent transactions carried out by an intervention agency pursuant to Article 8 (1) and (2) of Regulation (EEC) No 804/68.
7. The private storage aid for Grana Padano and Parmigiano Reggiano cheeses provided for in Article 8 (3) of Regulation (EEC) No 804/68.
8. The intervention measures for long-keeping cheeses provided for in Article 9 of Regulation (EEC) No 804/68.
9. The aid for skimmed milk and skimmed-milk powder provided for in Article 10 of Regulation (EEC) No 804/68.

10. The aid for skimmed milk processed into casein provided for in Article 11 of Regulation (EEC) No 804/68.
11. The measures relating to the reduction of surpluses of milk products provided for in Article 12 of Regulation (EEC) No 804/68.
12. The Community contribution referred to in the second subparagraph of Article 26 of Regulation (EEC) No 804/68, for providing milk to schools.
13. The measures concerning the compulsory purchase, for use in feedingstuffs, of skimmed-milk powder held by intervention agencies, laid down in Regulation (EEC) No 563/76.

IV. OILS AND FATS

A. Olive oil

1. The production aid provided for in Article 10 (1) of Regulation No 136/66/EEC.
2. The buying-in and consequent transactions carried out by an intervention agency pursuant to Article 11 (1) and (3) of Regulation No 136/66/EEC.
3. The storage contracts provided for in Article 11 (2) of Regulation No 136/66/EEC.
4. The measures provided for in Article 12 of Regulation No 136/66/EEC.
5. The production refunds in respect of olive oil used in preserves as provided for in Article 19 of Regulation No 136/66/EEC.

B. Colza, rape and sunflower seeds

1. The buying-in and consequent transactions carried out by an intervention agency pursuant to Article 26 (1) of Regulation No 136/66/EEC.
2. The aid in respect of harvested and processed oil seeds provided for in Article 27 (1) of Regulation No 136/66/EEC.
3. The measures provided for in Article 27 (2) of Regulation No 136/66/EEC.
4. The additional aid for colza and rape seed processed in Italy decided upon pursuant to Article 36 of Regulation No 136/66/EEC.
5. The differential amounts granted or levied at the time of the processing of colza and rape seed, pursuant to Regulation (EEC) No 1569/72.

C. Other oil seeds

1. The subsidies for cotton seeds provided for in Article 1 of Regulation (EEC) No 1516/71.
2. The aid for soya bean production provided for in Article 2 of Regulation (EEC) No 1900/74.
3. The aid for linseed provided for in Article 2 of Regulation (EEC) No 569/76.

V. SUGAR

1. The storage costs provided for in Article 8 (1) of Regulation (EEC) No 3330/74.
2. The buying-in and consequent transactions carried out by an intervention agency pursuant to Articles 9 (1), 11 and 44 of Regulation (EEC) No 3330/74.
3. The denaturing premiums provided for in Article 9 (2) of Regulation (EEC) No 3330/74.
4. The measures taken in respect of sugar from the French overseas departments pursuant to Article 9 (3) of Regulation (EEC) No 3330/74.
5. The production refunds provided for in Article 9 (4) of Regulation (EEC) No 3330/74.
6. The special intervention measures to help guarantee supplies provided for in Article 10 of Regulation (EEC) No 3330/74.

7. The import subsidies provided for in Article 17 (2) of Regulation (EEC) No 3330/74.
8. The amounts referred to in Article 6 of Regulation (EEC) No 1488/76 levied on sugar from the minimum stock marketed other than in accordance with the rules laid down.

VI. BEEF AND VEAL

1. Private storage aid provided for in Article 5 (1) (a) of Regulation (EEC) No 805/68.
2. The buying-in and consequent transactions carried out by an intervention agency in accordance with Articles 5, 6 and 7 of Regulation (EEC) No 805/68.
3. The calving premiums provided for in Article 4 of Regulation (EEC) No 464/75 and Article 1 of Regulation (EEC) No 620/76.
4. The premiums for the slaughter of certain adult bovine animals provided for in Article 1 of Regulation (EEC) No 797/76.

VII. PIGMEAT

1. The private storage aid provided for in the first indent of the first subparagraph of Article 3 of Regulation (EEC) No 2759/75.
2. The buying-in and consequent transactions carried out by an intervention agency pursuant to Articles 3, 4, 5 and 6 of Regulation (EEC) No 2759/75.

VIII. FRUIT AND VEGETABLES

1. The financial compensation granted to producers' organizations provided for in Article 18 of Regulation (EEC) No 1035/72.
2. The buying-in provided for in Article 19 of Regulation (EEC) No 1035/72 when the Community market is in a serious state.
3. The measures relating to the marketing of products withdrawn from the market provided for in Article 21 (1) and (3) of Regulation (EEC) No 1035/72.
4. The compensation granted to farmers in accordance with Article 21 (2) of Regulation (EEC) No 1035/72.
5. The financial compensation designed to promote the marketing of Community citrus fruits provided for in Article 8 of Regulation (EEC) No 2511/69.
6. The financial compensation designed to encourage the processing of certain varieties of oranges provided for in Article 3 of Regulation (EEC) No 2601/69.
7. The production aid for tinned pineapple provided for in Article 1 of Regulation (EEC) No 1929/75.
8. The compensatory amounts applicable in certain intra-Community trade in preserved tomato concentrates provided for in Regulation (EEC) No 1930/75.

IX. WINE

1. The private storage aid for table wines and grape must provided for in Articles 5 and 6 of Regulation (EEC) No 816/70.
2. The aid for the re-storage of table wines provided for in Article 6a of Regulation (EEC) No 816/70.
3. The additional storage aid provided for in the first indent of paragraph 2 of Article 6c of Regulation (EEC) No 816/70.
4. The distillation of wine provided for in Article 6b, in the second indent of Article 6c (2) and in Articles 7, 24a and 24b of Regulation (EEC) No 816/70.
5. The intervention measures taken for products other than table wines provided for in Article 33 of Regulation (EEC) No 816/70.
6. The special distillation of table wines provided for in Article 33a of Regulation (EEC) No 816/70.

7. The derogations in respect of natural disasters provided for in Article 38 of Regulation (EEC) No 816/70.
8. The aid for products similar to the wine product exported under the name 'Cyprus sherry' provided for in Article 4 of Regulation (EEC) No 3576/73.

X. RAW TOBACCO

1. The premiums provided for in Articles 3 and 4 of Regulation (EEC) No 727/70.
2. The buying-in and consequent transactions carried out by an intervention agency pursuant to Articles 5, 6 and 7 of Regulation (EEC) No 727/70.

XI. FISHERY PRODUCTS

1. The financial compensation to producers' organizations provided for in Article 11 of Regulation (EEC) No 100/76.
2. The buying-in of sardines and anchovies provided for in Article 12 of Regulation (EEC) No 100/76.
3. The private storage aid provided for in Article 15 of Regulation (EEC) No 100/76.
4. The compensation of producers of tunny provided for in Article 16 of Regulation (EEC) No 100/76.
5. The free distribution of goods withdrawn from the market or bought in pursuant to Articles 11 and 12 respectively of Regulation (EEC) No 100/76.

XII. OTHER SECTORS AND MEASURES

A. Flax and hemp

1. The aid provided for in Article 4 of Regulation (EEC) No 1308/70.
2. The private storage aid provided for in Article 5 of Regulation (EEC) No 1308/70.

B. Seeds

The production aid provided for in Article 3 of Regulation (EEC) No 2358/71.

C. Hops

The production aid provided for in Article 12 of Regulation (EEC) No 1696/71.

D. Silkworms

1. The aid for silkworm rearing provided for in Article 2 of Regulation (EEC) No 845/72.
2. The additional aid provided for in Article 1 of Regulation (EEC) No 708/76.

E. Dehydrated fodder

The aid for the production of dehydrated fodder provided for in Article 3 of Regulation (EEC) No 1067/74.

F. Proteins

The temporary private storage aid for certain protein products provided for in Article 1 of Regulation (EEC) No 1531/76.

XIII. PROVISIONS COMMON TO SEVERAL SECTORS

1. The monetary compensatory amounts levied and granted in trade between Member States in accordance with Regulation (EEC) No 974/71.
2. The accession compensatory amounts granted in trade between Member States in accordance with Articles 47 and 55 of the Act of Accession.

COUNCIL REGULATION (EEC) No 2918/76

of 29 November 1976

amending Regulation (EEC) No 947/70 laying down general rules for fixing the reference price and levying the countervailing charge for wine

THE COUNCIL OF THE EUROPEAN COMMUNITIES,

Having regard to the Treaty establishing the European Economic Community,

Having regard to Council Regulation (EEC) No 816/70 of 28 April 1970 laying down additional provisions for the common organization of the market in wine⁽¹⁾, as last amended by Regulation (EEC) No 2829/76⁽²⁾, and in particular Article 9 (5) thereof,

Having regard to the proposal from the Commission,

Whereas Regulation (EEC) No 947/70⁽³⁾ lays down general rules for fixing reference prices and levying the countervailing charge for wine; whereas Regulation (EEC) No 1160/76⁽⁴⁾ amended Article 9 of Regulation (EEC) No 816/70, in particular by extending the obligation to fix a reference price to include certain grape juices and grape musts; whereas Regulation (EEC) No 947/70 should be amended with this in view, in particular by laying down criteria for fixing the reference prices for the products in question,

HAS ADOPTED THIS REGULATION:

Article 1

Regulation (EEC) No 947/70 shall be amended as follows:

1. The following shall be added to Article 1:

'The reference prices for the products referred to in the first, second, third and fourth indents of the third subparagraph of Article 9 (1) of Regulation (EEC) No 816/70 shall be fixed on the basis of the guide prices for red or white wines weighted to take account of the relationship on the Community market between the prices of red and white wines and those of the products in question, plus

the costs incurred by bringing similar Community products to the same marketing stage as corresponding imported products.

The reference price for the product referred to in the fifth indent of the third subparagraph of Article 9 (1) of Regulation (EEC) No 816/70 shall be fixed on the basis of the level of the prices ruling within the Community for the product in question.'

2. Article 3 shall be replaced by the following:

Article 3

The level of special reference prices fixed for the products referred to in the first and third subparagraphs of Article 9 (1) of Regulation (EEC) No 816/70 in accordance with their special characteristics or purposes shall be established with reference to the level of the prices ruling within the Community for the products in question.'

3. Article 4 shall be replaced by the following:

Article 4

The costs incurred by bringing Community products to the same marketing stage as similar imported products shall be established with reference to:

- (a) brokerage costs;
- (b) loading costs;
- (c) insurance costs;
- (d) transport costs;
- (e) losses.'

Article 2

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

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

Done at Brussels, 29 November 1976.

For the Council

The President

J. A. van KEMENADE

⁽¹⁾ OJ No L 99, 5. 5. 1970, p. 1.

⁽²⁾ OJ No L 326, 25. 11. 1976, p. 1.

⁽³⁾ OJ No L 114, 27. 5. 1970, p. 4.

⁽⁴⁾ OJ No L 135, 24. 5. 1976, p. 1.

COMMISSION REGULATION (EEC) No 2919/76

of 1 December 1976

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

THE COMMISSION OF THE EUROPEAN
COMMUNITIES,

Having regard to the Treaty establishing the European
Economic Community,

Having regard to Council Regulation (EEC) No
2727/75 of 29 October 1975 on the common organiza-
tion of the market in cereals⁽¹⁾, as last amended by
Regulation (EEC) No 1143/76⁽²⁾, and in particular
Article 13(5) thereof,

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

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

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

HAS ADOPTED THIS REGULATION :

Article 1

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

Article 2

This Regulation shall enter into force on 2 December
1976.

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

Done at Brussels, 1 December 1976.

For the Commission

P. J. LARDINOIS

Member of the Commission

⁽¹⁾ OJ No L 281, 1. 11. 1975, p. 1.
⁽²⁾ OJ No L 130, 19. 5. 1976, p. 1.
⁽³⁾ OJ No L 206, 31. 7. 1976, p. 62.

ANNEX

to the Commission Regulation of 1 December 1976 fixing the import levies on cereals and on wheat or rye flour groats and meal

(u.a./metric ton)

CCT heading No	Description of goods	Levies
10.01 A	Common wheat and meslin	85.73
10.01 B	Durum wheat	137.92 ⁽¹⁾ ⁽⁵⁾
10.02	Rye	61.85 ⁽⁶⁾
10.03	Barley	46.73
10.04	Oats	52.17
10.05 B	Maize other than hybrid maize for sowing	57.88 ⁽²⁾ ⁽³⁾
10.07 A	Buckwheat	0
10.07 B	Millet	57.42 ⁽⁴⁾
10.07 C	Grain sorghum	58.18 ⁽⁴⁾
10.07 D	Canary seed; other cereals	0 ⁽⁵⁾
11.01 A	Wheat or meslin flour	131.34
11.01 B	Rye flour	97.89
11.02 A I a	Durum wheat groats and meal	224.43
11.02 A I b	Common wheat groats and meal	141.17

⁽¹⁾ Where durum wheat originating in Morocco is transported directly from that country to the Community, the levy is reduced by 0.50 u.a./metric ton.

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

⁽³⁾ Where maize originating in the ACP or OCT is imported into the Community the levy is reduced by 1.50 u.a./metric ton.

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

⁽⁵⁾ Where wheat and canary seed produced in Turkey are transported directly from that country to the Community, the levy is reduced by 0.50 u.a./metric ton.

⁽⁶⁾ The import levy charged on rye produced in Turkey and transported directly from that country to the Community is laid down in Council Regulation (EEC) No 2754/75 and Commission Regulation (EEC) No 2622/71.

COMMISSION REGULATION (EEC) No 2920/76

of 1 December 1976

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

THE COMMISSION OF THE EUROPEAN
COMMUNITIES,

Having regard to the Treaty establishing the European
Economic Community,

Having regard to Council Regulation (EEC) No
2727/75 of 29 October 1975 on the common organ-
ization of the market in cereals ⁽¹⁾, as last amended by
Regulation (EEC) No 1143/76 ⁽²⁾, and in particular
Article 15 (6) thereof,

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

Whereas, on the basis of today's cif prices and cif
forward delivery prices, the premiums at present in
force, which are to be added to the levies, should be

altered as shown in the tables annexed to this Regula-
tion,

HAS ADOPTED THIS REGULATION :

Article 1

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

Article 2

This Regulation shall enter into force on 2 December
1976.

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

Done at Brussels, 1 December 1976.

For the Commission

P. J. LARDINOIS

Member of the Commission

⁽¹⁾ OJ No L 281, 1. 11. 1975, p. 1.

⁽²⁾ OJ No L 130, 19. 5. 1976, p. 1.

⁽³⁾ OJ No L 206, 31. 7. 1976, p. 64.

ANNEX

to the Commission Regulation of 1 December 1976 fixing the premiums to be added to the import levies on cereals, flour and malt

A. Cereals and flour

(u.a./metric ton)

CCT heading No	Description of goods	Current 12	1st period 1	2nd period 2	3rd period 3
10.01 A	Common wheat and meslin	0	0.75	0.75	0
10.01 B	Durum wheat	0	0	0	0
10.02	Rye	0	0	0	0
10.03	Barley	0	0	0	0
10.04	Oats	0	0	0	0
10.05 B	Maize other than hybrid maize for sowing	0	0	0	0
10.07 A	Buckwheat	0	0	0	0
10.07 B	Millet	0	0	0	0
10.07 C	Grain sorghum	0	0	0	0
10.07 D	Other	0	0	0	0
11.01 A	Wheat or meslin flour	0	1.05	1.05	0

B. Malt

(u.a./metric ton)

CCT heading No	Description of goods	Current 12	1st period 1	2nd period 2	3rd period 3	4th period 4
11.07 A I (a)	Unroasted malt, obtained from wheat, in the form of flour	0	1.34	1.34	0	0
11.07 A I (b)	Unroasted malt, obtained from wheat, other than in the form of flour	0	1.00	1.00	0	0
11.07 A II (a)	Unroasted malt, other than that obtained from wheat, in the form of flour	0	0	0	0	0
11.07 A II (b)	Unroasted malt, other than that obtained from wheat, other than in the form of flour	0	0	0	0	0
11.07 B	Roasted malt	0	0	0	0	0

COMMISSION REGULATION (EEC) No 2921/76
of 1 December 1976
fixing the import levies on rice and broken rice

THE COMMISSION OF THE EUROPEAN
COMMUNITIES,

Having regard to the Treaty establishing the European
Economic Community,

Having regard to Council Regulation (EEC) No
1418/76 of 21 June 1976 on the common organiza-
tion of the market in rice ⁽¹⁾, and in particular Article
11 (2) thereof,

Whereas the import levies on rice and broken rice
were fixed by Regulation (EEC) No 2137/76 ⁽²⁾, as last
amended by Regulation (EEC) No 2897/76 ⁽³⁾;

Whereas it follows from applying the rules and other
provisions contained in Regulation (EEC) No 2137/76
to the offer prices and today's quotations known to

the Commission that the levies at present in force
should be altered as shown in the table annexed to
this Regulation,

HAS ADOPTED THIS REGULATION:

Article 1

The import levies to be charged on the products listed
in Article 1 (1) (a) and (b) of Regulation (EEC) No
1418/76 are hereby fixed as shown in the table
annexed to this Regulation.

Article 2

This Regulation shall enter into force on 2 December
1976.

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

Done at Brussels, 1 December 1976.

For the Commission

P. J. LARDINOIS

Member of the Commission

⁽¹⁾ OJ No L 166, 25. 6. 1976, p. 1.

⁽²⁾ OJ No L 240, 1. 9. 1976, p. 5.

⁽³⁾ OJ No L 332, 1. 12. 1976, p. 6.

to the Commission Regulation of 1 December 1976 fixing the import levies on rice and broken rice

CCT heading No	Description of goods	Third countries	ACP and OCT ⁽¹⁾ ⁽²⁾
10.06	Rice :		
	A. Paddy rice ; husked rice :		
	I. Paddy rice :		
	a) Round grain	97.46	45.73
	b) Long grain	117.85	55.93
	II. Husked rice :		
	a) Round grain	121.83	57.92
	b) Long grain	147.31	70.66
	B. Semi-milled or wholly milled rice :		
	I. Semi-milled rice :		
	a) Round grain	153.22	66.71
	b) Long grain	234.76	107.52
	II. Wholly milled rice :		
	a) Round grain	163.18	71.34
	b) Long grain	251.66	115.58
	C. Broken rice :	60.22	27.61

(2) In accordance with Regulation (EEC) No 706/76 provides that the levies are not applied to imports into the French overseas departments of products originating in the African, Caribbean and Pacific States or in the 'overseas countries and territories'.

COMMISSION REGULATION (EEC) No 2922/76**of 1 December 1976****fixing the premiums to be added to the import levies on rice and broken rice**

THE COMMISSION OF THE EUROPEAN
COMMUNITIES,

Having regard to the Treaty establishing the European
Economic Community,

Having regard to Council Regulation (EEC) No
1418/76 of 21 June 1976 on the common organiza-
tion of the market in rice ⁽¹⁾, and in particular Article
13 (6) thereof,

Whereas the premiums to be added to the levies on
rice and broken rice were fixed by Regulation (EEC)
No 2138/76 ⁽²⁾, as last amended by Regulation (EEC)
No 2898/76 ⁽³⁾;

Whereas, on the basis of today's cif prices and cif
forward delivery prices, the premiums at present in

force, which are to be added to the levies, should be
altered as shown in the table annexed to this Regula-
tion,

HAS ADOPTED THIS REGULATION:

Article 1

The premiums to be added to the import levies fixed
in advance in respect of rice and broken rice are
hereby fixed as shown in the table annexed to this
Regulation.

Article 2

This Regulation shall enter into force on 2 December
1976.

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

Done at Brussels, 1 December 1976.

For the Commission

P. J. LARDINOIS

Member of the Commission

⁽¹⁾ OJ No L 166, 25. 6. 1976, p. 1.

⁽²⁾ OJ No L 240, 1. 9. 1976, p. 8.

⁽³⁾ OJ No L 332, 1. 12. 1976, p. 8.

ANNEX

to the Commission Regulation of 1 December 1976 fixing the premiums to be added to the import levies on rice and broken rice

(u.a./metric ton)

CCT heading No	Description of goods	Current 12	1st period 1	2nd period 2	3rd period 3
10.06	Rice :				
	A. Paddy rice ; husked rice :				
	I. Paddy rice :				
	a) Round grain	0	0	0	—
	b) Long grain	0	0	0	—
	II. Husked rice :				
	a) Round grain	0	0	0	—
	b) Long grain	0	0	0	—
	B. Semi-milled or wholly milled rice :				
	I. Semi-milled rice :				
	a) Round grain	0	0	0	—
	b) Long grain	0	0	0	—
	II. Wholly milled rice :				
	a) Round grain	0	0	0	—
	b) Long grain	0	0	0	—
	C. Broken rice	0	0	0	0

COMMISSION REGULATION (EEC) No 2923/76

of 1 December 1976

fixing the refunds on white sugar and raw sugar exported in the natural state

THE COMMISSION OF THE EUROPEAN COMMUNITIES,

Having regard to the Treaty establishing the European Economic Community,

Having regard to Council Regulation (EEC) No 3330/74 of 19 December 1974 on the common organization of the market in sugar⁽¹⁾, as last amended by Regulation (EEC) No 1487/76⁽²⁾, and in particular the first sentence of the last subparagraph of Article 19 (2) thereof,

Having regard to the opinion of the Monetary Committee,

Whereas Article 19 of Regulation (EEC) No 3330/74 provides that the difference between quotations or prices on the world market for the products listed in Article 1 (1) (a) of that Regulation and prices for those products within the Community may be covered by an export refund;

Whereas Council Regulation (EEC) No 766/68 of 18 June 1968 laying down general rules for granting export refunds on sugar⁽³⁾, as last amended by Regulation (EEC) No 1489/76⁽⁴⁾, provides that when refunds on white and raw sugar, undenatured and exported in the natural state, are being fixed account must be taken of the situation on the Community and world markets in sugar and in particular of the price and cost factors set out in Article 3 of that Regulation; whereas the same Article provides that the economic aspect of the proposed exports should also be taken into account;

Whereas the refund on raw sugar must be fixed in respect of the standard quality; whereas the latter is defined in Article 1 of Council Regulation (EEC) No 431/68 of 9 April 1968 determining the standard quality for raw sugar and fixing the Community frontier crossing point for calculating cif prices for sugar⁽⁵⁾;

Whereas, furthermore, this refund should be fixed in accordance with Article 5 (2) of Regulation (EEC) No 766/68; whereas candy sugar is defined in Commission Regulation (EEC) No 394/70 of 2 March 1970 on detailed rules for granting export refunds on sugar⁽⁶⁾, as amended by Regulation (EEC) No 1499/76⁽⁷⁾;

Whereas the world market situation or the specific requirements of certain markets may make it necessary to vary the refund for sugar according to destination;

Whereas, in special cases, the amount of the refund may be fixed by other legal means;

Whereas, if the refund system is to operate normally, refunds should be calculated on the following basis:

- in the case of currencies which are maintained in relation to each other, at any given moment, within a band of 2.25 %, a rate of exchange based on their effective parity;
- for other currencies an exchange rate based on the arithmetic mean of the spot market rates of each of these currencies recorded for a given period, in relation to the Community currencies referred to in the previous subparagraph;

Whereas the refund must be fixed every two weeks; whereas it may be altered in the intervening period;

Whereas it follows from applying these rules to the present situation on the market in sugar and in particular to quotations or prices for sugar within the Community and on the world market that the refund should be fixed at the amounts shown in the Annex to this Regulation;

Whereas the measures provided for in this Regulation are in accordance with the opinion of the Management Committee for Sugar,

HAS ADOPTED THIS REGULATION:

Article 1

The refunds on the products listed in Article 1 (1) (a) of Regulation (EEC) No 3330/74, undenatured and exported in the natural state, are hereby fixed at the amounts shown in the Annex.

Article 2

This Regulation shall enter into force on 2 December 1976.

⁽¹⁾ OJ No L 359, 31. 12. 1974, p. 1.

⁽²⁾ OJ No L 167, 26. 6. 1976, p. 9.

⁽³⁾ OJ No L 143, 25. 6. 1968, p. 6.

⁽⁴⁾ OJ No L 167, 26. 6. 1976, p. 13.

⁽⁵⁾ OJ No L 89, 10. 4. 1968, p. 3.

⁽⁶⁾ OJ No L 50, 4. 3. 1970, p. 1.

⁽⁷⁾ OJ No L 167, 26. 6. 1976, p. 29.

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

Done at Brussels, 1 December 1976.

For the Commission

P. J. LARDINOIS

Member of the Commission

ANNEX

to the Commission Regulation of 1 December 1976 fixing the refunds on white sugar and raw sugar exported in the natural state

(u.a./100 kg)

CCT heading No	Description of goods	Refund
17.01	Beet sugar and cane sugar, solid : A. White sugar B. Raw sugar : (a) Candy sugar (b) Other raw sugar	 10.00 12.11 ⁽¹⁾ 9.20 ⁽¹⁾

⁽¹⁾ Applicable to raw sugar with a yield of 92 % ; if the yield is other than 92 %, the refund applicable is calculated in accordance with the provisions of Article 5 (3) of Regulation (EEC) No 766/68.

COMMISSION REGULATION (EEC) No 2924/76**of 1 December 1976****amending Commission Regulation (EEC) No 2101/75 on a standing invitation to tender in order to determine a levy and/or refund on exports of white sugar**

THE COMMISSION OF THE EUROPEAN
COMMUNITIES,

Having regard to the Treaty establishing the European
Economic Community,

Having regard to Council Regulation (EEC) No
3330/74 of 19 December 1974 on the common organi-
zation of the market in sugar ⁽¹⁾, as last amended by
Regulation (EEC) No 1487/76 ⁽²⁾, and in particular
Articles 12 (2), 17 (5) and 19 (4) thereof,

Whereas, pursuant to Commission Regulation (EEC)
No 2101/75 of 11 August 1975 on a standing invita-
tion to tender in order to determine a levy and/or
refund on exports of white sugar ⁽³⁾, as last amended
by Regulation (EEC) No 2042/76 ⁽⁴⁾, a security for
tender of two units of account per 100 kilogrammes is
currently applicable, together with an export licence
security of six units of account per 100 kilogrammes;
whereas these amounts have proved to be insufficient
to ensure that successful tenderers comply with the
conditions concerned;

Whereas the measures provided for in this Regulation
are in accordance with the opinion of the Manage-
ment Committee for Sugar,

HAS ADOPTED THIS REGULATION:

Article 1

1. In Article 6 (1) of Regulation (EEC) No 2101/75,
the amount 'two units of account' is replaced by 'three
units of account'.
2. In Article 13 (3) of Regulation (EEC) No
2101/75, the amount 'six units of account' is replaced
by 'eight units of account'.

Article 2

This Regulation shall enter into force on 2 December
1976.

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

Done at Brussels, 1 December 1976.

For the Commission

P. J. LARDINOIS

Member of the Commission

⁽¹⁾ OJ No L 359, 31. 12. 1974, p. 1.

⁽²⁾ OJ No L 167, 26. 6. 1976, p. 9.

⁽³⁾ OJ No L 214, 12. 8. 1975, p. 5.

⁽⁴⁾ OJ No L 227, 19. 8. 1976, p. 11.

COMMISSION REGULATION (EEC) No 2925/76

of 1 December 1976

fixing the reference prices for the period 16 December 1976 to 15 December 1977 in the wine sector

THE COMMISSION OF THE EUROPEAN COMMUNITIES,

Having regard to the Treaty establishing the European Economic Community,

Having regard to Council Regulation (EEC) No 816/70 of 28 April 1970 laying down additional provisions for the common organization of the market in wine⁽¹⁾, as last amended by Regulation (EEC) No 2829/76⁽²⁾, and in particular Article 9 (6) thereof,

Whereas Article 9 (1) of Regulation (EEC) No 816/70 provides that a reference price for red wine and a reference price for white wine must be fixed annually; whereas these reference prices must be fixed on the basis of the guide prices for the types of red and white table wine most representative of Community production, plus the costs incurred in bringing Community wines to the same marketing stage as imported wines;

Whereas the types of table wine most representative of Community production are types R I and A I, as defined in Articles 1 and 2 of Council Regulation (EEC) No 945/70 of 26 May 1970 determining the types of table wines⁽³⁾; whereas the guide prices for these types of wine are set out in Article 1 of Council Regulation (EEC) No 833/76 of 6 April 1976 fixing the guide prices for wine for the period 16 December 1976 to 15 December 1977⁽⁴⁾;

Whereas the third subparagraph of Article 9 (1) of Regulation (EEC) No 816/70 provides that reference prices are also to be fixed for grape juice (including grape must) falling within subheading 20.07 B I of the Common Customs Tariff, for concentrated grape juice (including grape must) falling within subheadings 20.07 A I and B I of the Common Customs Tariff, for grape must with the fermentation arrested by the addition of alcohol within the meaning of Additional Note 4 (a) to Chapter 22 of the Common Customs Tariff, for wines fortified for distillation within the meaning of Additional Note 4 (b) to Chapter 22 of the Common Customs Tariff, and for liqueur wines within the meaning of Additional Note 4 (c) to Chapter 22 of the Common Customs Tariff; whereas, moreover, since special reference prices should be fixed for the products having regard to their special characteristics or their special uses, reference prices should be fixed for wines of the Riesling or Sylvaner variety and for liqueur wines to be used in the prepara-

tion of products other than those falling within heading No 22.05 of the Common Customs Tariff; whereas, finally, a fixed amount corresponding to the normal costs of market preparation must be established, so that it can be added to the reference prices of the various products in the case where these products are put up in containers of two litres or less;

Whereas in fixing the reference prices account should be taken of the criteria provided for by the Council Regulation (EEC) No 947/70 of 26 May 1970 laying down general rules for fixing the reference price and levying the countervailing charge for wine⁽⁵⁾, as amended by Regulation (EEC) No 2918/76⁽⁶⁾;

Whereas the costs incurred in bringing Community wines to the same marketing stage as imported wines, which are to be established as provided in Article 4 of Regulation (EEC) No 947/70, may, with the exception of those in respect of losses, be assessed at a standard rate; whereas these costs and the other factors to be considered have varied appreciably since the last occasion on which prices were fixed, transport costs having increased by some 4 %;

Whereas the Management Committee for Wine has not delivered an opinion within the time limit set by its Chairman,

HAS ADOPTED THIS REGULATION:

Article 1

For the period 16 December 1976 to 15 December 1977, the reference prices shall be as follows:

A. Products falling within subheading 22.05 C of the Common Customs Tariff:

1. red wine: 2.50 units of account per degree actual alcoholic strength per hectolitre;
2. white wine other than that specified in point 3 below: 2.37 units of account per degree actual alcoholic strength per hectolitre;
3. white wine presented for importation under the name Riesling or Sylvaner: 50.44 units of account per hectolitre;
4. wine fortified for distillation within the meaning of Additional Note 4 (b) to Chapter 22 of the Common Customs Tariff: 1.60 units

(1) OJ No L 99, 5. 5. 1970, p. 1.

(2) OJ No L 326, 25. 11. 1976, p. 1.

(3) OJ No L 114, 27. 5. 1970, p. 1.

(4) OJ No L 100, 14. 4. 1976, p. 12.

(5) OJ No L 114, 27. 5. 1970, p. 4.

(6) See page 6 of this Official Journal.

of account per degree actual alcoholic strength per hectolitre ;

5. liqueur wine within the meaning of Additional Note 4 (c) to Chapter 22 of the Common Customs Tariff: 4.30 units of account per degree actual alcoholic strength per hectolitre ;
 6. liqueur wines, within the meaning of Additional Note 4 (c) to Chapter 22 of the Common Customs Tariff, intended for processing into products other than those falling within heading No 22.05 of the Common Customs Tariff: 2.40 units of account per degree actual alcoholic strength per hectolitre ;
 7. alcohol-muted fresh grape must within the meaning of Additional Note 4 (a) to Chapter 22 of the Common Customs Tariff: 1.70 units of account per degree total alcoholic strength per hectolitre.
- B. Grape juice (including grape must) concentrated or not, with an added sugar content not exceeding

30 % by weight, falling within subheadings 22.07 A I and B I of the Common Customs Tariff :

1. white : 2.05 units of account per degree potential alcoholic strength per hectolitre ;
2. others : 2.15 units of account per degree potential alcoholic strength per hectolitre.

The fixed amount per hectolitre to be added in respect of products listed in 1, 2, 3 and 5 of item A, where these are put up in containers of two litres or less, shall be 15 units of account per hectolitre.

Article 2

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

It shall apply with effect from 16 December 1976.

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

Done at Brussels, 1 December 1976.

For the Commission

P. J. LARDINOIS

Member of the Commission

COMMISSION REGULATION (EEC) No 2926/76

of 1 December 1976

altering the import levies on products processed from cereals and rice

THE COMMISSION OF THE EUROPEAN
COMMUNITIES,

Having regard to the Treaty establishing the European
Economic Community,

Having regard to Council Regulation (EEC) No
2727/75 of 29 October 1975 on the common organi-
zation of the market in cereals ⁽¹⁾, as last amended by
Regulation (EEC) No 1143/76 ⁽²⁾, and in particular
Article 14 ⁽⁴⁾ thereof,

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

Whereas the import levies on products processed
from cereals and rice were fixed by Regulation (EEC)
No 2891/76 ⁽⁴⁾, as amended by Regulation (EEC) No
2912/76 ⁽⁵⁾;

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

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

HAS ADOPTED THIS REGULATION:

Article 1

The import levies to be charged on products
processed from cereals and rice covered by Regulation
(EEC) No 2744/75 ⁽⁷⁾, as amended by Regulation
(EEC) No 832/76 ⁽⁸⁾, as fixed in the Annex to
amended Regulation (EEC) No 2891/76, are hereby
altered as shown in the table annexed to this Regula-
tion.

Article 2

This Regulation shall enter into force on 2 December
1976.

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

Done at Brussels, 1 December 1976.

For the Commission

P. J. LARDINOIS

Member of the Commission

⁽¹⁾ OJ No L 281, 1. 11. 1975, p. 1.
⁽²⁾ OJ No L 130, 19. 5. 1976, p. 1.
⁽³⁾ OJ No L 166, 25. 6. 1976, p. 1.
⁽⁴⁾ OJ No L 331, 30. 11. 1976, p. 29.
⁽⁵⁾ OJ No L 332, 1. 12. 1976, p. 44.

⁽⁶⁾ OJ No L 168, 25. 6. 1974, p. 7.
⁽⁷⁾ OJ No L 281, 1. 11. 1975, p. 65.
⁽⁸⁾ OJ No L 100, 14. 4. 1976, p. 1.

ANNEX

to the Commission Regulation of 1 December 1976 altering the import levies on products processed from cereals and rice

CCT heading No	Levies in u.a./metric ton	
	Third countries (other than ACP and OCT)	ACP and OCT
07.06 A	8.31 ⁽¹⁾	6.81 ⁽¹⁾⁽⁵⁾
11.01 C ⁽²⁾	88.12	83.12
11.02 A II ⁽²⁾	115.09	110.09
11.02 A III ⁽²⁾	88.12	83.12
11.02 B I a) 1 ⁽²⁾	76.39	73.89
11.02 B I b) 1 ⁽²⁾	76.39	73.89
11.02 B II b) ⁽²⁾	83.84	81.34
11.02 C II ⁽²⁾	100.36	97.86
11.02 C III ⁽²⁾	120.45	115.45
11.02 D II ⁽²⁾	64.88	62.38
11.02 D III ⁽²⁾	49.60	47.10
11.02 E I a) 1 ⁽²⁾	49.60	47.10
11.02 E I b) 1 ⁽²⁾	97.36	92.36
11.02 E II b) ⁽²⁾	115.09	110.09
11.02 F II ⁽²⁾	115.09	110.09
11.02 F III ⁽²⁾	88.12	83.12
11.06 A	10.81	5.31 ⁽⁵⁾
11.07 A II a)	91.20 ⁽⁴⁾	82.20
11.07 A II b)	70.42	61.42
11.07 B	80.58 ⁽⁴⁾	71.58

⁽¹⁾ This levy is limited to 6 % of the value for customs purposes.

⁽²⁾ For the purpose of distinguishing between products falling within heading Nos 11.01 and 11.02 and those falling within subheading 23.02 A, products falling within headings Nos 11.01 and 11.02 shall be those meeting the following specifications:

- a starch content (determined by the modified Ewers polarimetric method), referred to dry matter, exceeding 45 % by weight
- an ash content, by weight, referred to dry matter (after deduction of any added minerals), not exceeding 1.6 % for rice, 2.5 % for wheat, 3 % for barley, 4 % for buckwheat, 5 % for oats and 2 % for other cereals.

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

⁽⁴⁾ In accordance with Regulation (EEC) No 3375/73 this levy is reduced by 0.45 u.a./100 kg for products originating in Turkey.

⁽⁵⁾ In accordance with Regulation (EEC) No 706/76 the levy shall not be charged on the following products originating in the countries and territories:

- arrow-root falling within sub-heading ex 07.06 A
- flours and meal of arrow-root falling within sub-headings ex 11.06 A, ex 11.06 B I and II
- arrow-root starch falling within sub-heading ex 11.08 A V.

COMMISSION REGULATION (EEC) No 2927/76

of 1 December 1976

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

THE COMMISSION OF THE EUROPEAN COMMUNITIES,

Having regard to the Treaty establishing the European Economic Community,

Having regard to Council Regulation (EEC) No 3330/74 of 19 December 1974 on the common organization of the market in sugar⁽¹⁾, as last amended by Regulation (EEC) No 1487/76⁽²⁾, and in particular Article 15 (7) thereof,

Whereas the basic amount of the import levy on syrups and certain other sugar products was fixed by Regulation (EEC) No 2902/76⁽³⁾;

Whereas it follows from applying the rules and other provisions contained in Regulation (EEC) No 2902/76 to the information at present available to the Commis-

sion that the basic amount of the levy at present in force should be altered as shown in this Regulation,

HAS ADOPTED THIS REGULATION:

Article 1

The basic amount of the import levy on the products listed in Article 1 (1) d) of Regulation (EEC) No 3330/74 is hereby fixed, per 100 kilogrammes of product, at 0.1963 unit of account per percentage point of sucrose content.

Article 2

This Regulation shall enter into force on 2 December 1976.

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

Done at Brussels, 1 December 1976.

For the Commission

P. J. LARDINOIS

Member of the Commission

⁽¹⁾ OJ No L 359, 31. 12. 1974, p. 1.

⁽²⁾ OJ No L 167, 26. 6. 1976, p. 9.

⁽³⁾ OJ No L 332, 1. 12. 1976, p. 23.

COMMISSION REGULATION (EEC) No 2928/76
of 1 December 1976
fixing the import levies on white sugar and raw sugar

THE COMMISSION OF THE EUROPEAN
COMMUNITIES,

Having regard to the Treaty establishing the European
Economic Community,

Having regard to Council Regulation (EEC) No
3330/74 of 19 December 1974 on the common organ-
ization of the market in sugar ⁽¹⁾, as last amended by
Regulation (EEC) No 1487/76 ⁽²⁾, and in particular
Article 15 (7) thereof,

Whereas the import levies on white sugar and raw
sugar were fixed by Regulation (EEC) No 1564/76 ⁽³⁾,
as last amended by Regulation (EEC) No 2916/76 ⁽⁴⁾;

Whereas it follows from applying the rules and other
provisions contained in Regulation (EEC) No 1564/76
to the information at present available to the Commis-

sion that the levies at present in force should be
altered as shown in the Annex to this Regulation,

HAS ADOPTED THIS REGULATION :

Article 1

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

Article 2

This Regulation shall enter into force on 2 December
1976.

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

Done at Brussels, 1 December 1976.

For the Commission

P. J. LARDINOIS

Member of the Commission

⁽¹⁾ OJ No L 359, 31. 12. 1974, p. 1.

⁽²⁾ OJ No L 167, 26. 6. 1976, p. 9.

⁽³⁾ OJ No L 172, 1. 7. 1976, p. 31.

⁽⁴⁾ OJ No L 332, 1. 12. 1976, p. 52.

ANNEX

to the Commission Regulation of 1 December 1976 fixing the import levies on white sugar
and raw sugar

(u.u./100 kg)		
CCT heading No	Description of goods	Levy
17.01	Beet sugar and cane sugar, solid :	
	A. White sugar	19.63
	B. Raw sugar	18.63 ⁽¹⁾

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

II

(Acts whose publication is not obligatory)

COUNCIL

FINANCIAL REGULATION

of 21 October 1976

amending the Financial Regulation of 25 April 1973 applicable to the general budget of the European Communities

(76/892/ECSC, EEC, Euratom)

THE COUNCIL OF THE EUROPEAN COMMUNITIES,

Having regard to the Treaty establishing the European Coal and Steel Community, and in particular Article 78 (f) thereof,

Having regard to the Treaty establishing the European Economic Community, and in particular Article 209 thereof,

Having regard to the Treaty establishing the European Atomic Energy Community, and in particular Article 183 thereof,

Having regard to the proposal from the Commission,

Having regard to the opinion of the European Parliament ⁽¹⁾,

Whereas some Community projects necessarily extend over several years ;

Whereas the commitment of the relevant appropriations often extends over several financial years ;

Whereas the budget appropriations committed for these projects cannot be utilized during the financial year for which they were opened because the payments relating to these projects are spread over several financial years ;

Whereas, for such projects, a distinction should be drawn between appropriations required to cover the legal obligations entered into and appropriations

needed to finance projects carried out in fulfilment of these obligations ;

Whereas such a distinction prejudices neither the general principle of the annual nature of the budget nor the special provisions already adopted in respect of certain expenditure ;

Whereas, under the terms of Article 9 of the Council Decision of 1 February 1971 on the reform of the European Social Fund ⁽²⁾, the Financial Regulations adopted in pursuance of Article 209 of the Treaty determine the methods whereby expenditure may be authorized for a further two-year period after the end of the current financial year ; whereas the introduction of commitment appropriations is such as to give effect to this provision,

HAS ADOPTED THIS FINANCIAL REGULATION :

Article 1

Financial Regulation 73/91/ECSC, EEC, Euratom of 25 April 1973 applicable to the general budget of the European Communities ⁽³⁾, is amended by the following Articles.

Article 2

The first subparagraph of Article 1 (3) shall be replaced by the following :

⁽¹⁾ OJ No C 238, 11. 10. 1976, p. 27.

⁽²⁾ OJ No L 28, 4. 2. 1971, p. 15.

⁽³⁾ OJ No L 116, 1. 5. 1973, p. 1.

'Without prejudice to Article 16a, Title VII, Article 107, Article 114 and Title Xa, expenditure may not be authorized for a period exceeding the financial year.'

Article 3

The following Article 16a shall be added to Title II, Section II:

'Article 16a

1. When budget appropriations are intended to finance projects covered by paragraph 4 which require more than one year to execute, the budget shall show under the heading of these projects for the financial year concerned:

- (a) the commitment appropriations;
- (b) the payment appropriations.

2. Commitment appropriations are intended to enable the fulfilment, during the financial year concerned, of the legal obligations to be entered into in order to carry out the projects referred to in paragraph 1.

They shall represent the ceiling of expenditure which may be committed for carrying out the relevant projects.

Commitment appropriations not utilized before the end of the financial year for which they were entered in the budget shall remain available for the following financial year. At the end of this period and before 1 February, the Commission may submit to the Council and forward to the European Parliament a list of appropriations the extension of which it is requesting for the next financial year. The Council, acting by a qualified majority and after consulting the European Parliament, shall decide whether to extend these appropriations for that financial year.

3. Payment appropriations shall represent the ceiling of expenditure which may be authorized or paid during each financial year in order to cover the commitments entered into during the current or preceding financial years.

4. When the budget is being debated, the following may be entered under commitment appropriations; the hydrocarbons projects, the three-year plan of action on scientific and technical information and documentation, the Social Fund, the Guidance Section of the European Agricultural Guidance and Guarantee Fund and operations for which a future Financial Regulation lays down that they should be so entered.

5. The comments accompanying the budget headings allocated for such projects shall include, if the conditions governing the execution of such projects so permit, an indicative timetable of foreseeable commitments and payments for subsequent financial years.'

Article 4

Articles 6 (5), 104 and 114 (2) are hereby repealed.

They shall, however, remain in force during the implementation of the budgets up to and including the financial year 1976.

Article 5

This Financial Regulation shall apply to the budget for the financial year 1977 and to the deliberations of the Budget Authority in connection with these budgets.

Article 6

This Financial Regulation shall enter into force on the day following its publication in the *Official Journal of the European Communities*.

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

Done at Luxembourg, 21 October 1976.

For the Council

The President

L. J. BRINKHORST

CORRIGENDA

Corrigendum to Commission Regulation (EEC) No 2697/76 of 5 November 1976 laying down rules for the application of Regulation (EEC) No 2453/76 on the transfer to the Italian intervention agency of frozen beef held by the intervention agencies of other Member States

(Official Journal of the European Communities, No L 304 of 6 November 1976)

Page 21, Article 5:

for: 'No monetary compensatory amount ...',

read: 'No compensatory amount ...'.
