COMMISSION DECISION

of 13 June 1973

authorizing the Kingdom of Belgium, the Kingdom of the Netherlands and the Grand Duchy of Luxembourg to apply special intervention measures for rye

(Only the French and Dutch texts are authentic)

(73/194/EEC)

THE COMMISSION OF THE EUROPEAN COMMUNITIES,

Having regard to the Treaty establishing the European Economic Community;

Having regard to the Council Regulation No 120/67/EEC of 13 June 1967 establishing a common market for cereals [1], as last amended by Regulation (EEC) No 1346/73 [2], and in particular Article 8, second paragraph thereof;

Having regard to the Council Regulation No 174/67/EEC [3] of 27 June 1967 on special intervention measures for cereals, as amended by Regulation (EEC) No 445/68 [4], and in particular Article 1 thereof;

Having regard to the requests of the Kingdom of Belgium, the Kingdom of the Netherlands and the Grand Duchy of Luxembourg, made to the Commission on 30 May 1973, in which these Member States point out the particularly difficult situation of their nationals holding stocks of rye of bread-making quality at the end of the 1972/73 season because of the implementation of the new method for determining the price of rye for the 1973/74 season, and request that special intervention measures be applied;

Whereas the stock of rye of bread-making quality required by the milling trade in these Member States to ensure the normal functioning of that trade between one season and the next is generally about 10 000 metric tons in Belgium, 5 000 metric tons in the Netherlands and 200 metric tons in Luxembourg;

Whereas, because a single intervention price has been fixed for rye from 1 August 1973, the compensatory allowance for rye of bread-making quality at the end of the 1972/73 season will be far less than the corresponding allowance at the end of the preceding season; and whereas, because the compensatory allowance cannot, overall, cover the difference in prices between the last season and the new season, the stockholders of rye of bread-making quality will be inclined to deliver their stock to the intervention agencies before 31 May;

Whereas, if the intervention agencies in Belgium, the Netherlands and Luxembourg are not to be obliged to purchase, before the end of the season, excessive amounts of rye of bread-making quality compared with the amount marketed, it will be necessary to grant a lump-sum allowance to the stockholders of rye of bread-making quality in these Member States in order to encourage them to retain their stocks until 31 July 1973;

Whereas the measures provided for in this Decision are in accordance with the Opinion of the Management Committee for Cereals;

HAS ADOPTED THIS DECISION:

Article 1

In pursuance of the provisions of Article 1 of Council Regulation No 174/67/EEC, the intervention agencies of the Kingdom of Belgium, the Kingdom of the Netherlands and the Grand Duchy of Luxembourg may apply special measures for rye.

These measures consist of granting a lump-sum allowance of 2·75 units of account per metric ton in respect of a total quantity not exceeding 10 000 metric tons in Belgium, 5 000 metric tons in the Netherlands and 200 metric tons in Luxembourg to stockholders whose stocks of rye of bread-making

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(1) OJ No 117, 19. 6. 1967, p. 2269/67.
(2) OJ No L 141, 28. 5. 1973, p. 8.
(3) OJ No 130, 28. 6. 1967, p. 2609/67.
(4) OJ No L 91, 12. 4. 1968, p. 3.

quality comply with the conditions laid down in the Commission Regulation (EEC) No 1554/73 [1] of 7 June 1973 on the conditions for granting compensatory allowances for common wheat, rye of bread-making quality and maize in stock at the end of the 1972/73 season.

Article 2

The Kingdom of Belgium, the Kingdom of the Netherlands and the Grand Duchy of Luxembourg shall keep the Commission informed of the progress of the operations provided for in this Decision.

Article 3

This Decision is addressed to the Kingdom of Belgium, the Kingdom of the Netherlands and the Grand Duchy of Luxembourg.

Done at Brussels, 13 June 1973.

For the Commission

The President

François-Xavier ORTOLI

[1] OJ No L 156, 13. 6. 1973, p. 13.