COMMISSION DECISION

of 20 June 1973

authorizing the French Republic to apply special intervention measures for rye

(Only the French text is authentic)

(73/222/EEC)

THE COMMISSION OF THE EUROPEAN COMMUNITIES,

Having regard to the Treaty establishing the European Economic Community;

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

Having regard to 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 request of the French Republic, made to the Commission on 7 June 1973, in which this Member State points out the particularly difficult situation of its 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 requests that special intervention measures be applied;

Whereas the stock of rye of bread-making quality required by the French milling trade to ensure the normal functioning of trade between one season and the next is generally about 2 000 metric tons;

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;

Whereas, if the intervention agency in France is 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 this Member State 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 agency of the French Republic 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 2 000 metric tons to stockholders whose stocks of rye of bread-making quality comply with the conditions laid down in Commission Regulation (EEC) No 1554/73 [5] of 7 June 1973 on the conditions for granting compensatory allowances for common wheat, 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. 9.
(3) OJ No L 130, 28. 6. 1967, p. 2609/67.
(4) OJ No L 91, 12. 4. 1968, p. 3.
(5) OJ No L 156, 13. 6. 1973, p. 13.

quality and maize in stock at the end of the 1972/73 season.

Article 2

The French Republic shall keep the Commission informed of the progress of the operations provided for in this Decision.

Article 3

This Decision is addressed to the French Republic.

Done at Brussels, 20 June 1973.

For the Commission

The President

François-Xavier ORTOLI