COMMISSION DECISION

of 31 July 1973

concerning the additional drying and transport of certain cereals held by the German intervention agency

(73/308/EEC)

THE COMMISSION OF THE EUROPEAN COMMUNITIES,

Having regard to the Treaty establishing the European Economic Community;

Having regard to Council Regulation (EEC) No 787/69 [1] of 22 April 1969 on the financing of intervention costs on the internal market in cereals and rice, as last amended by Regulation (EEC) No 2092/70 [2], and in particular Article 4 (1) (d) and (g) thereof;

Whereas on 18 July 1973 the Federal Republic of Germany requested the Commission to acknowledge that it was necessary for the German intervention agency to effect transport of 240 210 metric tons of common wheat, barley and rye and to effect additional drying and transport of 19 790 metric tons of barley and rye;

Whereas in view of the potential size of the 1973 harvest it is foreseeable that in Federal Germany considerable quantities of cereals will be offered for intervention during the first months of the marketing year;

Whereas in order to store these cereals from the new harvest the German intervention agency will have to make room in warehouses by transferring 260 000 metric tons of cereals held from the previous harvest;

Whereas the storage facilities of the German intervention agency are insufficient to ensure the proper preservation for a relatively long period of cereals whose humidity content is in conformity with the level laid down in the (second indent) of Article 2 (2) of Commission Regulation (EEC) No 1492/71 [3] of 13 July 1971, fixing the procedure and conditions for the taking over of cereals by intervention agencies, as last amended by Regulation (EEC) No 1422/72 [4];

Whereas consequently the humidity content of 19 790 metric tons of barley and rye should be reduced to a level below 16 % before transporting it to long term warehouses;

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

For the purposes of Regulation (EEC) No 787/69 it is established that the transport of 240 210 metric tons of common wheat, barley and rye, and the additional drying and transport of 19 790 tons of barley and rye, effected by the German intervention agency between 25 July 1973 and 30 September 1973, were necessary.

Article 2

This decision is addressed to the Federal Republic of Germany.

Done at Brussels, 31 July 1973.

For the Commission

The President

François-Xavier ORTOLI

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(1) OJ No L 105, 2. 5. 1969, p. 4.
(2) OJ No L 232, 21. 10. 1970, p. 3.
(3) OJ No L 157, 14. 7. 1971, p. 18.
(4) OJ No L 151, 5. 7. 1972, p. 15.