COUNCIL DECISION

of 30 January 1975

on the conclusion of the Agreement between the European Economic Community and the International Committee of the Red Cross on the supply of cereals, butteroil and skimmed-milk powder as food aid

(75/176/EEC)

THE COUNCIL OF THE EUROPEAN COMMUNITIES,

Having regard to the Treaty establishing the European Economic Community, and in particular Articles 113, 114 and 228 thereof;

Having regard to the recommendation from the Commission;

Whereas the European Economic Community has concluded the 1971 Food Aid Convention;

Whereas the International Committee of the Red Cross has made known its requirements in cereal products for humanitarian programmes and whereas a quantity of foodstuffs equivalent to 15 000 metric tons of cereals should be placed at its disposal for this purpose;

Whereas in Council Regulation (EEC) No 530/74 [1] of 4 March 1974 laying down general rules for the supply of milk fats as food aid to certain developing countries and certain international organizations, it was decided to make available to the International Committee of the Red Cross 1 000 metric tons of butteroil;

Whereas in Council Regulation (EEC) No 1826/74 [2] of 11 July 1974 laying down the general rules for the supply of skimmed-milk powder as food aid to certain developing countries and international organizations, 3 000 metric tons of this product were made available to the International Committee of the Red Cross;

Whereas concerning emergency programmes to be decided upon in implementation of the Agreement envisaged, the Community's approval should be given to the International Committee of the Red Cross as soon as possible; whereas it may prove necessary to reply very rapidly to any requests for adaptation which might be made by the above Committee during the implementation of the said Agreement;

Whereas for the same emergency programmes to be decided upon in pursuance of the Agreement envisaged, the Community should decide as soon as possible on the most appropriate arrangements for delivery,

HAS DECIDED AS FOLLOWS:

Article 1

On behalf of the Community, the Agreement between the European Economic Community and the International Committee of the Red Cross on the supply of cereals, butteroil and skimmed-milk powder as food aid is hereby concluded.

The text of the Agreement is annexed to this Decision.

Article 2

The approval provided for in the third paragraph of Article IV and in the second paragraph of Article X of the Agreement referred to in Article 1 is given by the Commission.

Article 3

Under the third paragraph of Article IV of the Agreement referred to in Article 1, the approval provided for in the second paragraph of the same Article is given by the Commission.

Article 4

The President of the Council is hereby authorized to nominate the persons entitled to sign the Agreement and confer on them the powers necessary to bind the Community.

Done at Brussels, 30 January 1975.

For the Council

The President

G. FITZGERALD

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[1] OJ No L 65, 7. 3. 1974, p. 1.
[2] OJ No L 190, 13. 7. 1974, p. 20.