COMMISSION DECISION

of 19 December 1975

authorizing the Italian Republic to permit temporarily the marketing of certain types of fodder plant seed satisfying less stringent requirements

(Only the Italian text is authentic)

(76/55/EEC)

THE COMMISSION OF THE EUROPEAN COMMUNITIES,

Having regard to the Treaty establishing the European Economic Community,

Having regard to Council Directive 66/401/EEC of 14 June 1966 on the marketing of fodder plant seed [1], as last amended by the Council Directive of 26 June 1975 [2], and in particular Article 17 thereof,

Having regard to the request made by the Italian Republic,

Whereas the production of seeds from the category 'certified seed' of the species Festuca arundinacea Schr., and Pisum arvense L., is insufficient in 1975 and will not be adequate to meet the requirements of the Italian Republic ;

Whereas it is not possible to meet the demand with 'certified seed' from the other Member States ;

Whereas, therefore, it is expedient to authorize the Italian Republic to allow the marketing of commercial seed of the abovementioned species for a period expiring on 31 October 1976 ;

Whereas the measures provided for in this Decision are in accordance with the opinion of the Permanent Committee of Agricultural, Horticultural and Forestry Plants,

HAS ADOPTED THIS DECISION :

Article 1

The Italian Republic is authorized to allow the marketing on its territory for a period expiring on 31 October 1976 of :

(a) 400 metric tons of commercial seed of tall fescue (Festuca arundinacea Schr.) and

(b) 1 000 metric tons of commercial seed of field pea (Pisum arvense L.),

provided that the packages have been officially sealed and labelled before 1 July 1976 and the label bears the statement 'only intended for marketing in Italy'.

Article 2

The Italian Republic will report to the Commission before 1 December 1976 the quantities of commercial seed marketed in its territory under the authority of the present Decision. The Commission will inform the other Member States of these quantities.

Article 3

This Decision is addressed to the Italian Republic.

Done at Brussels, 19 December 1975.

For the Commission

P. J. LARDINOIS

Member of the Commission

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[1] OJ No 125, 11. 7. 1966, p. 2298/66.
[2] OJ No L 196, 26. 7. 1975, p. 6.