COMMISSION DECISION

of 22 December 1976

on the granting by the Guidance Section of the EAGGF to the Kingdom of Belgium of a payment on account in respect of expenditure incurred during 1975 on aids and premiums relating to the modernization of farms

(Only the French and Dutch texts are authentic)

(77/52/EEC)

THE COMMISSION OF THE EUROPEAN COMMUNITIES,

Having regard to the Treaty establishing the European Economic Community,

Having regard to Council Directive 72/159/EEC of 17 April 1972 on the modernization of farms (1), as last amended by Directive 76/837/EEC (2), and in particular Article 21 (3) thereof,

Whereas the measures taken by the Kingdom of Belgium to implement Directive 72/159/EEC were the subject of a favourable Commission Decision pursuant to Article 18 of the said Directive;

Whereas Commission Decision 74/581/EEC of 16 October 1974 concerning applications for reimbursement in respect of aid granted by the Member States pursuant to Directives 72/159/EEC, 72/160/EEC and 72/161/EEC (3), lays down in Article 4 (1) that the Commission, acting on the basis of particulars contained in the applications for reimbursement, shall make a payment on account of 75 % of the amount requested;

Whereas the application for reimbursement lodged by the Kingdom of Belgium in respect of aids granted during 1975 for the modernization of farms is complete and has been submitted in due form; whereas the total amount of expenditure for the year 1975 comes to Bfrs 39 953 718 (799 074·36 u.a.) broken down as follows:

under Article 8	Directive 72/159/EEC	Bfrs 353 343
under Article 10		Bfrs 84 375
under Article 11		Bfrs 39 516 000
under Article 12		—
under Article 13		—

Whereas the total amount of reimbursement requested comes to Bfrs 4 314 680 (86 293·60 u.a.);

Whereas the making of a payment on account for the period in question shall not prejudice the final decision on the contribution from the Fund for the said period; whereas the Guidance Section of the European Agricultural Guidance and Guarantee Fund should therefore make a payment on account of 75 % of the sum of Bfrs 4 314 680 (86 293·60 u.a.), i.e. Bfrs 3 236 010 (64 720·20 u.a.);

Whereas the Fund Committee has been consulted on the financial aspects and in particular as to the funds available,

HAS ADOPTED THIS DECISION:

Article 1

The payment on account by the Guidance Section of the European Agricultural Guidance and Guarantee Fund towards the expenditure incurred by the Kingdom of Belgium during 1975 in respect of aid and premiums relating to the modernization of farms shall be Bfrs 3 236 010 (64 720·20 u.a.).

Article 2

This Decision is addressed to the Kingdom of Belgium.

Done at Brussels, 22 December 1976.

For the Commission

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Member of the Commission

(1) OJ No L 96, 23. 4. 1972, p. 1.
(2) OJ No L 302, 4. 11. 1976, p. 19.
(3) OJ No L 320, 29. 11. 1974, p. 1.