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COMMISSION

COMMISSION DECISION

of 22 November 1977

on the clearance of the accounts presented by the French Republic in respect of expenditure incurred in the 1974 financial year on cereals and skimmed-milk powder purchased on the market and supplied as food aid

(Only the French text is authentic)

(77/755/EEC)

THE COMMISSION OF THE EUROPEAN COMMUNITIES,

Having regard to the Treaty establishing the European Economic Community,

Having regard to Council Regulation (EEC) No 1703/72 of 3 August 1972 amending Regulation (EEC) No 2052/69 on the Community financing of expenditure arising from the implementation of the Food Aid Convention of 1967, and laying down rules for the Community financing of expenditure arising from the implementation of the Food Aid Convention of 1971 (1), and in particular Article 9 (3) thereof,

Having regard to Council Regulation (EEC) No 2721/72 of 19 December 1972 on the supply of skimmed-milk powder as food aid (2), and in particular Article 5 (2) thereof,

Having consulted the EAGGF Committee,

Whereas the French Republic has supplied to the Commission the supporting statements required for the clearance of the accounts pursuant to Article 2 of Commission Regulation (EEC) No 522/73 of 14 February 1973 laying down detailed rules for the application of Regulation (EEC) No 1703/72 (3), and in accordance with Article 5 (2) of Regulation (EEC) No 2721/72 ;

Whereas under Articles 7 and 8 of Council Regulation (EEC) No 1703/72 and Articles 2 and 3 of Regulation (EEC) No 2721/72, only the value of the goods and the appropriate forwarding and distribution costs may be financed ; whereas the inspections carried out show that part of the expenditure declared amounting to FF 693·31 (124·83 u.a.) does not satisfy the requirements of this provision and therefore cannot be financed ; whereas, furthermore, at this stage, an amount of FF 253 246·55 i.e. 45 595·59 u.a., should be deducted, subject to determination of the actual quantities held in ships' holds at the port of unloading ; whereas the Member State has been fully informed of this deduction and has been able to give its views thereon ;

Whereas, for certain measures, part payment has been made and proof that the goods have reached their destination has yet to be supplied ; whereas it is therefore advisable, at this stage, to finance the expenditure declared, subject to review when the financing of those measures has been completed ;

Whereas, for a measure in favour of Senegal, information furnished by the Member State in respect of transport costs must still be examined ; whereas it is advisable, at this stage, to finance these costs subject to a further examination,

(1) OJ No L 180, 8. 8. 1972, p. 1.
(2) OJ No L 291, 28. 12. 1972, p. 28.
(3) OJ No L 50, 23. 2. 1973, p. 33.

HAS ADOPTED THIS DECISION :

Article 1

The accounts of the departments and agencies empowered by the French Republic to pay expenditure incurred in the 1974 financial year on cereals and skimmed-milk powder purchased on the market and supplied as food aid shall be cleared as indicated in the Annex.

Article 2

This Decision is addressed to the French Republic.

Done at Brussels, 22 November 1977.

For the Commission

Finn GUNDELACH

Vice-President

ANNEX

Clearance of the accounts of the departments and agencies in France empowered to pay expenditure on cereals and skimmed-milk powder purchased on the market and supplied as food aid

1. Funds available after clearance of the accounts for 1973	FF 25 421 059·13	i.e. 4 576 915·65 u.a.
2. Advances authorized for food aid in 1974	FF 340 749 556·50	i.e. 61 350 000 u.a.
3. Total available to cover expenditure for 1974	FF 366 170 615·63	i.e. 65 926 915·65 u.a.
4. Expenditure effected in 1974 and charged against Chapter 92 'Food aid expenditure' of the general budget of the European Communities	FF 339 505 709·61	i.e. 61 126 052·51 u.a.
5. Funds available after clearance of the accounts for 1974	FF 26 664 906·02	i.e. 4 800 863·14 u.a.

6. With regard to the Community aid measures concerning cereals for Ethiopia and Mauritania pursuant to Commission Regulations (EEC) No 289/74 of 1 February 1974 and (EEC) No 455/74 of 22 February 1974, an amount of FF 253 246·55, i.e. 45 595·59 u.a., shall be deducted at this stage, subject to determination of the actual quantities in ships' holds at the port of unloading.

7. With regard to Community aid measures for cereals in respect of which payments on account have been made and in respect of which proof that the cereals have reached their destination has yet to be supplied, the expenditure declared shall be financed at this stage subject to review when the financing of those measures has been completed. The measures in question are as follows:

   — Commission Regulation (EEC) No 3265/73 of 30 November 1973, 6 000 tonnes of cereals for Chad,

   — Commission Regulation (EEC) No 289/74 of 1 February 1974, 11 000 tonnes of cereals for Mali and 10 600 tonnes of cereals for Niger,

   — Commission Regulstion (EEC) No 455/74 of 22 February 1974, 9 000 tonnes of cereals for Mali, 9 400 tonnes of cereals for Niger and 15 000 tonnes of cereals for Upper Volta,

   — Commission Regulation (EEC) No 605/74 of 15 March 1974, 5 000 tonnes (Lot 3) of cereals for Senegal,

   — Commission Regulation (EEC) No 2446/74 of 27 September 1974, 5 000 tonnes of cereals (Lots 1 and 4) for Chad,

   — Commission Regulation No 2651/74 of 18 October 1974, 6 624 tonnes of flour for Mauritius.

8. With regard to transport costs in respect of the measure in favour of Senegal, pursuant to Commission Regulation (EEC) No 1536/73 of 8 June 1973, the amount declared by the Member State of FF 574 775·94 is financed subject to a further examination.