COMMISSION DECISION

of 12 October 1979

concerning the clearance of the accounts presented by the Italian Republic in respect of the European Agricultural Guidance and Guarantee Fund, Guarantee Section, expenditure for 1973

(Only the Italian text is authentic)

(79/898/EEC)

THE COMMISSION OF THE EUROPEAN COMMUNITIES,

Having regard to the Treaty establishing the European Economic Community,

Having regard to Council Regulation (EEC) No 729/70 of 21 April 1970 on the financing of the common agricultural policy (1), as last amended by Regulation (EEC) No 929/79 (2), and in particular Article 5 (2) thereof,

After consulting the Fund Committee ;

Whereas, under Article 5 (2) (b) of Regulation (EEC) No 729/70, the Commission, on the basis of the annual accounts presented by the Member States, shall clear the accounts of the authorities and bodies referred to in Article 4 of that Regulation ;

Whereas the Italian Republic has transmitted to the Commission the documents required to clear the accounts for 1973 ; whereas the latter has carried out the on-the-spot inspections provided for in Article 9 (2) of Regulation (EEC) No 729/70 ; whereas, however, it has not been possible for the Commission to examine the supporting documents for certain kinds of expenditure ;

Whereas Article 8 of Commission Regulation (EEC) No 1723/72 of 26 July 1972 on the clearance of the accounts of the European Agricultural Guidance and Guarantee Fund, Guarantee Section (3), provides that the decision to clear the accounts shall include the determination of the amount of expenditure incurred in each Member State during the year in question recognized as chargeable to the Fund, Guarantee Section, and also the determination of the amount of the Community's financial resources still available to each Member State ;

Whereas, under Articles 2 and 3 of Regulation (EEC) No 729/70, only refunds on exports to non-member countries and intervention intended to stabilize the agricultural markets, respectively granted and undertaken according to Community rules within the framework of the common organization of agricultural markets, may be financed : whereas the inspections carried out show that a part of the expenditure declared amounting to Lit 1 359 433 433 does not satisfy the requirements of these provisions and therefore cannot be financed ; whereas the Member State has been fully informed of this deduction and has been able to give its views thereon ;

Whereas, as regards aid for the re-storage of table wine, a part of the expenditure amounting to Lit 92 772 815 cannot at this stage be accepted for financing in view of the need to give the matter further study ;

Whereas this Decision is without prejudice to the outcome of inquiries under way in the fruit and vegetables sector,

HAS ADOPTED THIS DECISION :

Article 1

1. The total expenditure by the Italian Republic recognized as chargeable to the European Agricultural Guidance and Guarantee Fund, Guarantee Section, in respect of the 1973 financial year is Lit 364 069 285 898.

2. The accounts of the authorities and bodies empowered by the Italian Republic to pay the expenditure financed by the Fund, Guarantee Section, during the 1973 financial year shall be cleared as indicated in the Annex.

Article 2

This Decision is addressed to the Italian Republic.

Done at Brussels, 12 October 1979.

For the Commission

Finn GUNDELACH

Vice-President

(1) OJ No L 94, 28. 4. 1970, p. 13.
(2) OJ No L 117, 12. 5. 1979, p. 4.
(3) OJ No L 186, 16. 8. 1972, p. 1.

ANNEX

Clearance of the accounts of the departments and agencies authorized in Italy to pay the expenses financed by the EAGGF, Guarantee Section, for 1973

1. Funds available after clearance of the accounts for 1972		Lit 79 963 801 687
2. Advances received for 1973		Lit 340 755 588 982
3. Total available to cover expenditure for 1973		Lit 420 719 390 669
4. Expenditure incurred in 1973 and charged against the EAGGF, Guarantee Section :		
— Intendenza di finanza (Roma)		Lit 59 383 002 571
— Azienda interventi mercati agricoli		Lit 298 556 931 053
— Cassa conguaglio zucchero		Lit 6 129 352 274
	Total	Lit 364 069 285 898
5. Funds available after clearance of the accounts for 1973		Lit 56 650 104 771