COMMISSION DECISION

of 18 October 1979

approving a programme for the improvement of redmeat slaughterhouses in the United Kingdom

(Only the English text is authentic)

(79/911/EEC)

THE COMMISSION OF THE EUROPEAN COMMUNITIES,

Having regard to the Treaty establishing the European Economic Community,

Having regard to Council Regulation (EEC) No 355/77 of 15 February 1977 on common measures to improve the conditions under which agricultural products are processed and marketed [1], and in particular Article 5 thereof,

Whereas the United Kingdom Government forwarded on 8 December 1977 the Redmeat Slaughterhouses Improvement Programme and on 15 June 1978 and 26 April 1979 supplied additional information ;

Whereas that programme concerns the modernization and equipping of redmeat slaughterhouses in the United Kingdom in order that they shall comply with the health standards laid down in Directive 64/433/EEC, thus enabling producers to make full use of market opportunities and encouraging the development of an efficient, market-orientated slaughterhouse industry ; whereas it therefore constitutes a programme within the meaning of Article 2 of Regulation (EEC) No 355/77 ;

Whereas the programme contains sufficient information as required under Article 3 of Regulation (EEC) No 355/77 indicating that the objectives referred to in Article 1 of that Regulation can be attained in respect of redmeat production ; whereas the scheduled period for implementation of the programme does not exceed the limit laid down in Article 3 (1) (g) of the Regulation ;

Whereas the measures provided for in this Decision are in accordance with the opinion of the Standing Committee on Agricultural Structure,

HAS ADOPTED THIS DECISION :

Article 1

The United Kingdom Redmeat Slaughterhouses Improvement Programme communicated by the United Kingdom Government on 8 December 1977, as amplified by the information supplied on 15 June 1978 and 26 April 1979, pursuant to Regulation (EEC) No 355/77 is hereby approved.

Article 2

This Decision is addressed to the United Kingdom.

Done at Brussels, 18 October 1979.

For the Commission

Finn GUNDELACH

Vice-President

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[1] OJ No L 51, 23. 2. 1977, p. 1.