COMMISSION DECISION

of 22 October 1979

on the reimbursement by the Guidance Section of the EAGGF to the United Kingdom of expenditure incurred during 1977 on aids and premiums relating to the modernization of farms including those in the less-favoured farming areas

(Only the English text is authentic)

(79/942/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 77/390/EEC (2), and in particular Article 21 (2) thereof,

Having regard to Council Directive 75/268/EEC of 28 April 1975 on mountain and hill farming and farming in certain less-favoured areas (3), as last amended by Directive 76/400/EEC (4), and in particular Article 13 thereof,

Whereas the measures taken by the United Kingdom to implement Directives 72/159/EEC and 75/268/EEC were the subject of favourable Commission Decisions pursuant to Article 18 of Directive 72/159/EEC and to Article 13 of Directive 75/268/EEC;

Whereas, in accordance with Article 2 of Commission Decision 76/627/EEC of 25 June 1976 concerning applications for reimbursement in respect of aids granted by Member States pursuant to Directive 75/268/EEC (5), the United Kingdom has made an application for reimbursement of expenditure incurred during 1977 on aids and premiums relating to the modernization of farms, including those in the less-favoured farming areas;

Whereas the application is complete and has been submitted in due form and in accordance with the requirements of 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 (6) and also with the payments on account which can be agreed;

Whereas an examination of the information provided shows that eligible expenditure of £ 19 514 717·64, broken down as follows:

(£)

	Ordinary farming areas	Less-favoured farming areas (Title III)
Under Article 8	10 099 110·36	2 874 160·56
Under Article 10	6 440 175·51	—
Under Article 11	98 888·91	—
Under Article 12	2 382·30	—
Under Article 13	—	—

has been incurred under the conditions laid down in Directives 72/159/EEC and 75/268/EEC; whereas the Guidance Section of the European Agricultural Guidance and Guarantee Fund should therefore reimburse 25 % thereof, i.e. £ 4 878 679·41;

Whereas a payment on account of £ 3 657 829·91 has been granted in application of Article 21 (3) of Directive 72/159/EEC, of Article 13 of Directive 75/268/EEC and of Article 5 (1) of Decision 76/627/EEC; whereas a balance of £ 1 220 849·50 should therefore be granted to the Member State;

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

HAS ADOPTED THIS DECISION:

Article 1

The final contribution by the Guidance Section of the European Agricultural Guidance and Guarantee Fund towards the expenditure incurred by the United Kingdom during 1977 in respect of aids and premiums relating to the modernization of farms, including those in the less-favoured farming areas shall be £ 4 878 679·41.

(1) OJ No L 96, 23. 4. 1972, p. 1.
(2) OJ No L 145, 13. 6. 1977, p. 43.
(3) OJ No L 128, 19. 5. 1975, p. 1.
(4) OJ No L 108, 26. 4. 1976, p. 21.
(5) OJ No L 222, 14. 8. 1976, p. 37.
(6) OJ No L 320, 29. 11. 1974, p. 1.

The balance of the contribution, i.e. £ 1 220 849·50, shall be paid to the United Kingdom.

Article 2

This Decision is addressed to the United Kingdom.

Done at Brussels, 22 October 1979.

For the Commission

Finn GUNDELACH

Vice-President