COMMISSION DECISION

of 1 December 1980

on the reimbursement by the Guidance Section of the EAGGF to the French Republic of expenditure incurred during 1978 on aids and premiums relating to the modernization of farms including those in the less-favoured farming areas

(Only the French text is authentic)

(80/1166/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 80/370/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 80/666/EEC (4), and in particular Article 13 thereof,

Whereas the measures taken by the French Republic 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 French Republic has made an application for reimbursement of expenditure incurred during 1978 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 and also with the payments on account which can be agreed (6), as last amended by Commission Decision 80/427/EEC of 28 March 1980 (7);

Whereas an examination of the information provided shows that eligible expenditure of FF 114 619 757·28 broken down as follows:

	Ordinary farming areas (FF)	Less-favoured farming areas (Title III) (FF)
under Article 8	24 942 744·80	37 406 680·00
under Article 10	2 840 688·24	17 498 525·68
under Article 11	9 684 200·00	—
under Article 12	22 246 918·56	—
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. FF 28 654 939·32 FF;

Whereas a payment on account of FF 21 498 347·72 has been granted in application of Article 21 (3) of Directive 72/159/EEC, of Article 13 of Directive 75/268/EEC, of Article 4 (1) of Decision 74/581/EEC and of Article 5 (1) of Decision 76/627/EEC; whereas a balance of FF 7 156 591·60 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,

(1) OJ No L 96, 23. 4. 1972, p. 1.
(2) OJ No L 90, 3. 4. 1980, p. 43.
(3) OJ No L 128, 19. 5. 1975, p. 1.
(4) OJ No L 180, 14. 7. 1980, p. 34.
(5) OJ No L 222, 14. 8. 1976, p. 37.
(6) OJ No L 320, 29. 11. 1974, p. 1.
(7) OJ No L 102, 19. 4. 1980, p. 24.

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 French Republic during 1978 in respect of aids and premiums relating to the modernization of farms, including those in the less-favoured farming areas shall be FF 28 654 939·32.

The balance of the contribution i.e. FF 7 156 591·60 shall be paid to the French Republic.

Article 2

This Decision is addressed to the French Republic.

Done at Brussels, 1 December 1980.

For the Commission

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Vice-President