COMMISSION DECISION

of 22 January 1980

approving a programme for the potato sector in England and Wales, pursuant to Regulation (EEC) No 355/77

(Only the English text is authentic)

(80/172/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 Government of the United Kingdom communicated on 2 October 1979 a programme for the potato sector in England and Wales ;

Whereas the said programme relates to the creation and expansion of storage, cold-storage and grading facilities for potatoes and the expansion and rationalization of potato processing in the food industries, with the aim of adapting production and sales to market requirements as to quantity, quality and form of supply and thus to raise the incomes of potato growers ; whereas it therefore constitutes a programme within the meaning of Article 2 of Regulation (EEC) No 355/77 ;

Whereas the programme contains sufficient details as referred to in Article 3 of Regulation (EEC) No 355/77, which indicate that the objectives laid down in Article 1 of the said Regulation can be achieved in respect of the potato sector in England and Wales ; 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 programme for the potato sector in England and Wales, communicated by the Government of the United Kingdom on 2 October 1979 pursuant to Regulation (EEC) No 355/77, is hereby approved.

Article 2

This Decision is addressed to the United Kingdom.

Done at Brussels, 22 January 1980.

For the Commission

Finn GUNDELACH

Vice-President

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