COMMISSION DECISION

of 17 June 1980

approving a programme for the fishery products sector in Scotland, pursuant to Regulation (EEC) No 355/77

(Only the English text is authentic)

(80/604/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 forwarded on 18 October 1979 a regional programme for the fisheries sector in Scotland and on 14 March 1980 a revised version of that programme;

Whereas the said programme covers the modernization, rationalization and expansion of marketing and processing facilities for fishery products, with the aim of improving the techniques of processing and marketing and hence the quality of fishery products, thereby ensuring the maximum value added of the basic products; whereas it is therefore a programme within the meaning of Article 2 of Regulation (EEC) No 355/77;

Whereas the programme may only be approved subject to decisions to be taken on the common fisheries policy;

Whereas, moreover, approval of the programme should not cover projects concerning the construction or modernization of fish-meal plants, except in the case of facilities exclusively for the processing of waste from the fishery products industry, nor projects concerning the construction of modernization of cold stores, except in the case of cold stores connected with processing and marketing facilities;

Whereas the programme contains sufficient details referred to in Article 3 of Regulation (EEC) No 355/77 from which it can be seen that the objectives laid down in Article 1 of the said Regulation can be achieved in respect of the fisheries sector in Scotland;

Whereas the scheduled timetable 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 joint opinion of the Standing Committee on Agricultural Structures and the Standing Committee for the Fishing Industry,

HAS ADOPTED THIS DECISION:

Article 1

1. The regional programme for the fishery sector in Scotland, forwarded by the Government of the United Kingdom on 18 October 1979 and supplemented on 14 March 1980, pursuant to Regulation (EEC) No 355/77, is hereby approved subject to decisions to be taken on the common fisheries policy and to the provisions of paragraph 2.

2. The programme shall not cover projects concerning the construction or modernization of fish-meal plants, except in the case of facilities exclusively for the processing of waste from the fishery products industry, nor projects concerning the construction or modernization of cold stores, except in the case of cold stores connected with processing and marketing facilities.

Article 2

This Decision is addressed to the United Kingdom.

Done at Brussels, 17 June 1980.

For the Commission

Finn GUNDELACH

Vice-President

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