COMMISSION DECISION

of 24 June 1980

approving a programme for potato production in Bavaria pursuant to Council Regulation (EEC) No 355/77

(Only the German text is authentic)

(80/672/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 Federal Republic of Germany forwarded its programme for potato production in Bavaria on 16 May 1979 and supplied additional information on 11 January 1980 ;

Whereas the said programme relates to the expansion and rationalization of facilities for the collection, packaging, processing and channels of distribution of potatoes in order to achieve greater stability in the potato market and so to allow producers to dispose of their produce at fair prices ; whereas it therefore constitutes a programme within the meaning of Article 2 of Regulation (EEC) No 355/77 ;

Whereas approval of the programme cannot extend to those sections which provide for investments in the potato starch, potato flake, potato meal and dehydrated potato sectors or to investments for the expansion of capacity for the production of alcohol made from potatoes, either because the programme fails to provide the necessary information as required by Article 3 of Regulation (EEC) No 355/77 for those matters, or because those sections are not compatible with the objectives of Article 1 of the said Regulation ;

Whereas those sections of the programme which are approved contain the details required under Article 3 of Regulation (EEC) No 355/77, showing that the objectives laid down in Article 1 of the said Regulation can be achieved in respect of the potato sector in Bavaria ; whereas the schedule for implementation of the programme does not exceed the time 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

1. The programme for potato production in Bavaria forwarded by the Government of the Federal Republic of Germany pursuant to Regulation (EEC) No 355/77 on 16 May 1979 and in respect of which additional information was supplied on 11 January 1980 is hereby approved.

2. Approval of the programme does not extend to those sections which provide for investments in the potato starch, potato flake, potato meal and dehydrated potato sectors or to investments for the expansion of capacity for the production of alcohol made from potatoes.

Article 2

This Decision is addressed to the Federal Republic of Germany.

Done at Brussels, 24 June 1980.

For the Commission

Finn GUNDELACH

Vice-President

(1) OJ No L 51, 23. 2. 1977, p. 1.