COMMISSION DECISION

of 4 December 1981

on the approval of a programme for the green fodder drying industry in France pursuant to Council Regulation (EEC) No 355/77

(Only the French text is authentic)

(81/1024/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 on 17 March 1981 the French Government forwarded a programme for the green fodder drying industry and on 1 July and in August 1981 provided additional details;

Whereas this programme concerns the modernization and rationalization of plants drying green crops with a view to concentration of the capacity, reducing production costs by energy saving, increasing production and introducing the manufacture of new products; whereas it therefore constitutes a programme within the meaning of Article 2 of Regulation (EEC) No 355/77;

Whereas the programme contains sufficient of the details listed in Article 3 of Regulation (EEC) No 355/77 to show that the aims set out in Article 1 of that Regulation can be achieved by the green fodder drying industry in France; whereas the estimated time required for implementation of the programme does not exceed the period mentioned 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 green fodder drying industry pursuant to Regulation (EEC) No 355/77, forwarded by the French Government on 17 March 1981 and supplemented on 1 July and in August 1981, is hereby approved.

Article 2

This Decision is addressed to the French Republic.

Done at Brussels, 4 December 1981.

For the Commission

Poul DALSAGER

Member of the Commission

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