COMMISSION DECISION

of 29 November 1983

approving a programme for the sheep sector in Ireland pursuant to Council Regulation (EEC) No 355/77

(Only the English text is authentic)

(83/600/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), as last amended by Regulation (EEC) No 3164/82 (2), and in particular Article 5 thereof,

Whereas on 11 January 1983 the Irish Government submitted the programme for the sheep sector and on 20 March and 6 May supplied additional information ;

Whereas the said programme concerns the modernization and re-equipment of the sheepmeat industry including the valorization of by-products and the creation, moreover, of refrigeration capacity in order to reduce operating costs and to improve the efficiency of this sector ; whereas it therefore constitutes a programme within the meaning of Article 2 of Regulation (EEC) No 355/77 ;

Whereas the programme contains the details referred to in 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 sheepmeat production ; whereas the scheduled time for implementation of the programme does not exceed the limit laid down in Article 3 (1) (g) of the Regulation ;

Whereas the question under what conditions the common action initiated by Regulation (EEC) No 355/77 will be continued beyond the date laid down in Article 16 (1) of the said Regulation remains open ; whereas it is therefore appropriate to limit approval of the programme to applications referred to in Article 24 (4) of Regulation (EEC) No 355/77 ;

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 the sheep sector pursuant to Regulation (EEC) No 355/77, communicated by the Irish Government on 11 January 1983, as amplified by information supplied on 20 March and 6 May 1983, is hereby approved.

2. Approval of the programme relates only to projects submitted before 1 May 1984.

Article 2

This Decision is addressed to Ireland.

Done at Brussels, 29 November 1983.

For the Commission

Poul DALSAGER

Member of the Commission

(1) OJ No L 51, 23. 2. 1977, p. 1.
(2) OJ No L 332, 27. 11. 1982, p. 1.