COMMISSION DECISION

of 5 December 1984

on the implementation of the reform of agricultural structures in France pursuant to Council Directives 72/159/EEC and 75/268/EEC

(Only the French text is authentic)

(85/25/EEC)

THE COMMISSION OF THE EUROPEAN COMMUNITIES,

Having regard to the Treaty establishing the European Economic Community,

Having regard to Council Directive 72/159/EEC of 17 April 1972 on the modernization of farms [1], as last amended by Directive 84/513/EEC [2], and in particular Article 18 (3) thereof,

Having regard to Council Directive 75/268/EEC of 28 April 1975 on mountain and hill farming and farming in certain less-favoured areas [3], as last amended by Directive 82/786/EEC [4], and in particular Article 13 thereof,

Whereas the French Government forwarded, pursuant to Article 17 (4) of Directive 72/159/EEC the following provisions :

— Decree No 83/442 of 1 June 1983 on the modernization of farms,

— Ministerial Order of 1 June 1983 on skill and competence in agriculture,

— Ministerial Order of 1 June 1983 on the interest rates on special modernization loans granted by regional agricultural credit banks,

— Ministerial Order of 1 June 1983 on the amounts of aids and ceilings,

— Ministerial Order of 1 June 1983 on the amounts of the reduced interest loans,

— Circular DIAME/SSME/N.83 of 15 June 1983 on the development plans,

— Circular DIAME/SSME/C.83 on investment aids for the modernization of farms, development plans and other aids, modernization aids,

— Circular DIAME/SSME/C.83 No 5016 of 10 June 1983 on the subsidies for livestock buildings — pig farming,

— Circular DIAME No 5006 of 9 February 1982 on investment aids for farms — situation of the GAEC ;

Whereas Article 18 (3) of Directive 72/159/EEC and Article 13 of Directive 75/268/EEC require the Commission to determine whether, having regard to the abovementioned submission, the existing provisions in France for the implementation of Directive 72/159/EEC and of Titles III and IV of Directive 75/268/EEC continue to satisfy the conditions for financial contribution by the Community ;

Whereas the abovementioned regulations and administrative provisions meet the requirements of Directives 72/159/EEC and 75/268/EEC as well as the requirements of Council Regulations (EEC) No 1945/81 [5] and (EEC) No 1946/81 [6] of 30 June 1981 restricting investment aids for pig and milk production, with the exception of those provided for in Circular DIAME No 5006 of 9 February 1982 for multiplying the ceilings laid down in Regulations (EEC) No 1945/81 and (EEC) No 1946/81, in so far as this circular deals with joint farming ventures established from a single farm ;

Whereas, however, the preceding remark does not justify a negative decision as regards the eligibility of the various measures envisaged ;

Whereas the EAGGF Committee has been consulted on the financial aspects ;

Whereas the measures provided for in this Decision are in accordance with the opinion of the Standing Committee on Agricultural Structure,

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[1] OJ No L 96, 23. 4. 1972, p. 1.
[2] OJ No L 285, 30. 10. 1984, p. 13.
[3] OJ No L 128, 19. 5. 1975, p. 1.
[4] OJ No L 327, 24. 11. 1982, p. 19.
[5] OJ No L 197, 20. 7. 1981, p. 31.
[6] OJ No L 197, 20. 7. 1981, p. 32.

HAS ADOPTED THIS DECISION :

Article 1

Having regard to the regulations and administrative provisions set out in the recitals, the existing provisions for the implementation of Directive 72/159/EEC and Titles III and IV of Directive 75/268/EEC in France continue to satisfy the conditions for financial contribution by the Community to common measures within the meaning of Article 15 of Directive 72/159/EEC, with the exception of the provisions in Circular DIAME No 5006 of 9 February 1982 relating to milk and pig production, in so far as this circular deals with the joint farming ventures established from a single farm.

Article 2

This Decision is addressed to the French Republic.

Done at Brussels, 5 December 1984.

For the Commission

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Member of the Commission