COMMISSION DECISION

of 12 August 1987

on improving the efficiency of agricultural structures in Belgium pursuant to Council Regulation (EEC) No 797/85

(Only the French and Dutch texts are authentic)

(87/463/EEC)

THE COMMISSION OF THE EUROPEAN COMMUNITIES,

Having regard to the Treaty establishing the European Economic Community,

Having regard to Council Regulation (EEC) No 797/85 of 12 March 1985 on improving the efficiency of agricultural structures [1], and in particular Article 25 thereof,

Whereas the Belgian Government notified, pursuant to Article 24 (4) of Regulation (EEC) No 797/85, the Ministerial Order of 20 August 1985, as amended by the Ministerial Order of 2 May 1986, granting farmers in less-favoured areas an annual compensatory allowance to offset permanent natural handicaps;

Whereas under Article 25 (3) of Regulation (EEC) No 797/85, the Commission has to decide whether, having regard to the provisions notified, the existing provisions in Belgium for the implementation of Title III of Regulation (EEC) No 797/85 satisfy the conditions for financial contribution by the Community to common measures with the meaning of Article 1 of Regulation (EEC) No 797/85;

Whereas the abovementioned Ministerial Order satisfies the conditions and objectives of Regulation (EEC) No 797/85;

Whereas the Committee of the European Agricultural Guidance and Guarantee Fund 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 Strucure,

HAS ADOPTED THIS DECISION:

Article 1

The provision existing in Belgium for the implementation of Regulation (EEC) No 797/85, having regard to the Ministerial Order of 20 August 1985, as amended by the Ministerial Order of 2 May 1986, granting farmers in less-favoured areas an annual compensatory allowance to offset permanent natural handicaps, to satisfy the conditions for financial contribution by the Community to common measures within the meaning of Article 1 of the said Regulation.

Article 2

This Decision is addressed to the Kingdom of Belgium.

Done at Brussels, 12 August 1987.

For the Commission

Frans ANDRIESSEN

Vice-President

[1] OJ No L 93, 30. 3. 1985, p. 1.