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COMMISSION

COMMISSION DECISION

of 29 October 2002

adopting the plan allocating to the Member States resources to be charged to the 2003 budget year for the supply of food from intervention stocks for the benefit of the most deprived persons in the Community

(notified under document number C(2002) 4363)

(2002/905/EC)

THE COMMISSION OF THE EUROPEAN COMMUNITIES,

Having regard to the Treaty establishing the European Community,

Having regard to Council Regulation (EEC) No 3730/87 of 10 December 1987 laying down the general rules for the supply of food from intervention stocks to designated organisations for distribution to the most deprived persons in the Community [1], as amended by Regulation (EC) No 2535/95 [2], and in particular Article 6 thereof,

Having regard to Council Regulation (EC) No 2799/98 of 15 December 1998 establishing agrimonetary arrangements for the euro [3], and in particular Article 3(2) thereof,

Whereas:

(1) In accordance with Article 2 of Commission Regulation (EEC) No 3149/92 laying down detailed rules for the supply of food from intervention stocks for the benefit of the most deprived persons in the Community [4], as last amended by Regulation (EC) No 1098/2001 [5], the Commission must adopt a distribution plan to be financed from resources available in the 2003 budget year. The plan should lay down in particular, for each of the Member States applying the measure, the maximum financial resources available to carry out its part of the plan, and the quantity of each type of product to be withdrawn from the stocks held by the intervention agencies.

(2) The Member States involved in the plan have supplied the information required in accordance with Article 1 of Regulation (EEC) No 3149/92.

(3) For the purposes of resource allocation, account must be taken of experience and of the degree to which the Member States used the resources allocated to them in previous years.

(4) The intra-Community transfers necessary to bring the plan to fruition should also be authorised under the conditions provided for in Article 7 of Regulation (EEC) No 3149/92.

(5) To implement the plan, the operative event within the meaning of Article 3 of Regulation (EC) No 2799/98 should be the date on which the financial year for administration of stocks in public storage starts.

(6) To respect the plan's purpose, distribution of the products should be staggered throughout the year.

(7) In accordance with Article 2(2) of Regulation (EEC) No 3149/92 the Commission sought the advice of the major organisations familiar with the problems of the most deprived persons in the Community when drawing up the plan.

(8) The measures provided for in this Decision are in accordance with the opinions of all the relevant committees,

HAS ADOPTED THIS DECISION:

Article 1

For the 2003 financial year, foodstuffs for distribution to the most deprived persons in the Community under Regulation (EEC) No 3730/87 shall be supplied in accordance with the annual distribution plan set out in Annex I.

[1] OJ L 352, 15.12.1987, p. 1.
[2] OJ L 260, 31.10.1995, p. 3.
[3] OJ L 349, 24.12.1998, p. 1.
[4] OJ L 313, 30.10.1992, p. 50.
[5] OJ L 150, 6.6.2001, p. 37.

Article 2

The intra-Community transfer operations listed in Annex II are hereby authorised.

Article 3

To implement the annual plan, the date of the operative event referred to in Article 3 of Regulation (EC) No 2799/98 shall be 1 October 2002.

Article 4

Where the quantity of products distributed exceeds 500 tonnes, participating Member States shall insert suitable provisions in the invitations to tender to ensure that the quantities shown in table (b) of Annex I are the subject of several distribution operations during the course of the annual plan so as to take account of the capacity of the charitable institutions.

Article 5

This Decision is addressed to the Member States.

Done at Brussels, 29 October 2002.

For the Commission

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Member of the Commission

ANNEX I

Annual distribution plan for 2003

(a) Financial resources made available to implement the plan in each Member State

(EUR)

Member State	Allocation
Belgium	3 952 000
Denmark	633 000
Greece	13 276 000
Spain	50 580 000
France	47 666 000
Ireland	2 738 000
Italy	56 568 000
Luxembourg	42 000
Portugal	16 903 000
Finland	3 642 000
Total	196 000 000

(b) Quantity of each type of product to be withdrawn from Community intervention stocks for distribution in each Member State subject to the maximum amounts laid down in (a)

(in tonnes)

Member State	Product				
	Cereals	Rice (paddy rice)	Butter	Milk powder	Beef and veal (carcase equivalent)
Belgium	7 000	700	500		400
Denmark					200
Greece	25 000	20 000		2 020	
Spain	60 000	20 000		11 660	4 038
France	23 717	8 304		12 306	5 053
Ireland			60		800
Italy	80 000	15 000	1 200	10 846	5 000
Portugal	15 000	7 500	345	3 990	1 000
Finland	15 000			400	374
Total	225 717	71 504	2 105	41 222	16 865

(c) Allocation for Luxembourg with a view to purchases on the Community market of:
— milk powder: EUR 26 000,
— beef and veal: EUR 16 000.

ANNEX II

Intra-Community transfers authorised under the plan for 2003

Product	Quantity (tonnes)	Holder	Consignee
1. Cereals	25 000	ONIC, France	Ministry of Agriculture, Greece
2. Cereals	60 000	ONIC, France	FEGA, Spain
3. Cereals	80 000	ONIC, France	AGEA, Italy
4. Cereals	15 000	ONIC, France	INGA, Portugal
5. Rice	700	Ente Risi, Italy	BIRB, Belgium
6. Rice	7 500	FEGA, Spain	INGA, Portugal
7. Milk powder	2 020	Ministry of Agriculture, Germany	Ministry of Agriculture, Greece
8. Milk powder	7 501	Ministry of Agriculture, Ireland	FEGA, Spain
9. Milk powder	5 306	RPA, United Kingdom	Ministry of Agriculture, France
10. Milk powder	10 846	Ministry of Agriculture, Germany	AGEA, Italy
11. Milk powder	3 990	Ministry of Agriculture, Ireland	INGA, Portugal
12. Beef and veal	400	Ministry of Agriculture, France	BIRB, Belgium
13. Beef and veal	60	Ministry of Agriculture, Germany	Ministry of Agriculture, Denmark
14. Beef and veal	1 000	Ministry of Agriculture, Germany	INGA, Portugal
15. Beef and veal	374	Ministry of Agriculture, Germany	Ministry of Agriculture, Finland