COUNCIL DIRECTIVE

of 26 March 1980

derogating, in favour of the French Republic, from Directive 73/403/EEC on the synchronization of general population censuses

(80/371/EEC)

THE COUNCIL OF THE EUROPEAN COMMUNITIES,

Having regard to the Treaty establishing the European Economic Community, and in particular Article 213 thereof,

Having regard to the proposal from the Commission,

Whereas Council Directive 73/403/EEC of 22 November 1973 on the synchronization of general population censuses [1] stipulates that Member States shall conduct a general population census on a date between 1 March and 31 May 1981 ;

Whereas serious administrative difficulties, which could not have have been foreseen at the time when the Directive was adopted, have arisen which are detrimental to the good conduct of the census in the French Republic between the said dates ;

Whereas it is proposed to hold the said census in the French Republic between 1 March and 31 May 1982,

HAS ADOPTED THIS DIRECTIVE :

Article 1

By way of derogation from Article 1 of Directive 73/403/EEC, the French Republic shall conduct the general population census on a date between 1 March and 31 May 1982.

Article 2

This Directive is addressed to the Member States.

Done at Brussels, 26 March 1980.

For the Council

The President

G. MARCORA

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[1] OJ No L 347, 17. 12. 1973, p. 50.