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REGULATION (EEC) No 1039/68 OF THE COUNCIL

of 23 July 1968

on the financing by the European Agricultural Guidance and Guarantee Fund of aid for the production of grape-pip oil

THE COUNCIL OF THE EUROPEAN COMMUNITIES,

Having regard to the Treaty establishing the European Economic Community, and in particular Article 43 thereof;

Having regard to the proposal from the Commission;

Having regard to the Opinion of the European Parliament[1];

Whereas Article 30 of Council Regulation No 136/66/EEC[2] of 22 September 1966 on the establishment of a common organization of the market in oils and fats provides that Member States may grant aid for the extraction of oil from pips of grapes harvested within the Community for a transitional period of five years from the abolition of the national measures to increase the prices of vegetable oils other than olive oil;

Whereas in conjunction with such authorization, it was laid down that, by way of derogation from Council Regulation No 17/64/EEC[3] of 5 February 1964 on the conditions for granting aid from the European Agricultural Guidance and Guarantee Fund and from Council Regulation No 130/66/EEC[4] of 26 July 1966 on the financing of the common agricultural policy such aid would, within certain limits, be eligible for reimbursement from the Fund; whereas, therefore, the limits and conditions of such eligibility should be determined;

Whereas the only Member States granting aid for the production of grape-pip oil, in accordance with Article 30 of Regulation No 136/66/EEC, are Italy and France; whereas the abolition of the national measures referred to in that Article was effected on 10 November 1966 in Italy and on 1 July 1967 in France,

HAS ADOPTED THIS REGULATION:

Article 1

By way of derogation from Articles 2 to 8 of Regulation No 17/64/EEC and from Articles 2 and 7 of Regulation No 130/66/EEC, the aid for the production of grape-pip oil granted by the French Republic from 1 July 1967 to 30 June 1970 and by the Italian Republic from 10 November 1966 to 9 November 1969, in accordance with Article 30 of Regulation No 136/66/EEC, shall be eligible for reimbursement from the Guarantee Section of the Fund.

Article 2

The total amount of expenditure taken over by the Fund in pursuance of Article 1 may not exceed the sum of 1·1 million units of account as regards the French Republic and 3·3 million units of account as regards the Italian Republic.

Article 3

The expenditure relating to the aid referred to in Article 2 shall be the subject of applications for reimbursement submitted by the Member States concerned in accordance with Article 9 of Regulation No 17/64/EEC, and the Commission shall take a decision in accordance with the provisions of Article 10 of that Regulation.

This Regulation shall be binding in its entirety and directly applicable in all Member States.

Done at Brussels, 23 July 1968.

For the Council
The President
G. SEDATI

[1] OJ No C 27, 28.3.1968, p. 30.
[2] OJ No 172, 30.9.1966, p. 3025/66.
[3] OJ No 34, 27.4.1964, p. 586/64.
[4] OJ No 165, 21.9.1966, p. 2965/66.