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# REGULATION (EEC) No 2591/70 OF THE COUNCIL

## of 17 December 1970

## on granting aid from the European Agricultural Guidance and Guarantee Fund, Guidance Section, for the year 1971

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, in accordance with the first sentence of Article 20 (1) of Council Regulation No 17/64/EEC[2] of 5 February 1964 on the conditions for granting aid from the European Agricultural Guidance and Guarantee Fund, as last amended by Regulations (EEC) Nos 728/70[3] and 729/70[4], applications for aid from the Guidance Section of the Fund must be submitted to the Commission each year before 1 October; whereas it seems necessary to extend the time limit fixed for the submission of applications for 1971 to 31 March 1971 to facilitate the work of Member States in preparing the submission of those applications and to shorten, in the interest of applicants the period between the submission of the application and the decision of the Commission:

Whereas part of the available resources of the Guidance Section for 1971 must be retained to make it possible to finance the special measures to be taken following the decisions which will be adopted on agricultural structure after examination of the proposals from the Commission to the Council on the reform of agriculture in the Community;

Whereas the maximum amount of aid which may be granted from the Fund for projects concerned with production structure should be increased to 45%;

Whereas, in view of present difficulties in the markets for certain agricultural products, aid in excess of 25% of the total amount of investments is justified only for certain projects;

Whereas provision should be made for a different financial contribution from the beneficiary in respect of production structures and marketing structures,

HAS ADOPTED THIS REGULATION:

*Article 1*

The time limit fixed in the first sentence of Article 20 (1) of Regulation No 17/64/EEC for the submission of applications for aid from the Guidance Section of the European Agricultural Guidance and Guarantee Fund shall be extended as follows in respect of applications for aid for the year 1971; each Member State must submit its projects for the year 1971 not later than 31 March 1971.

*Article 2*

The available resources of the Guidance Section of the European Agricultural Guidance and Guarantee Fund amounting to 427·5 million units of account shall be allotted as follows:

1. One portion shall be allotted to the financing of the measures provided for in the following provisions:

(a) Article 12 (3) of Council Regulation No 159/66/EEC[5] of 25 October 1966 laying down additional provisions for the common organization of the market in fruit and vegetables;

(b) Article 12 (4) of Regulation No 159/66/EEC;

(c) Article 12 (1) of Council Regulation (EEC) No 1975/69[6] of 6 October 1969 establishing a system of premiums for slaughtering cows and for withholding milk and milk products from the market;

(d) Article 7 (1) of Council Regulation (EEC) No 2517/69[7] of 9 December 1969 laying down certain measures for improving Community fruit products;

(e) Article 5 (2) of Council Regulation (EEC) No 2511/69[8] of 9 December 1969 adopting special measures for improving the production and marketing of Community citrus fruit.

[1] OJ No C 143, 3.12.1970, p. 16.
[2] OJ No 34, 27.2.1964, p. 586/64.
[3] OJ No L 94, 28.4.1970, p. 9.
[4] OJ No L 94, 28.4.1970, p. 13.
[5] OJ No 192, 27.10.1966, p. 3286/66.
[6] OJ No L 252, 8.10.1969, p. 1.
[7] OJ No L 318, 18.12.1969, p. 15.
[8] OJ No L 318, 18.12.1969, p. 1.

2. The remaining portion shall be allotted to the financing of the special measures to be taken within the framework of the provisions which will be adopted following the proposals of the Commission to the Council on the reform of agriculture in the Community.

3. One portion amounting to 200 million units of acount shall be allotted to the financing of products within the meaning of Article 13 of Regulation No 17/64/EEC.

*Article 3*

By way of derogation from the first indent of Article 18 (1) of Regulation No 17/64/EEC, aid from the Guidance Section of the European Agricultural Guidance and Guarantee Fund may amount to 45% of the total amount of investments for certain projects submitted for the year 1971 which fulfil the conditions of Article 11 (1) (a) and (b) of that Regulation, without prejudice to the provisions of the third indent of Article 18 (1) of that Regulation introduced by Article 4 of this Regulation.

*Article 4*

The following third indent shall be added to the first subparagraph of Article 18 (1) of Regulation No 17/64/EEC:

– however, for projects introduced for 1971, the financial contribution of the party benefiting from the improvement must be not less than:

  – 20% for projects concerning production structures, and

  – 38% for projects concerning marketing structures.'

*Article 5*

This Regulation shall inter into force on the third day following its publication in the *Official Journal of the European Communities*.

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

Done at Brussels, 17 December 1970.

*For the Council*

*The President*

H. LEUSSINK