REGULATION (EEC) No 1264/73 OF THE COUNCIL
of 14 May 1973
on the supply of skimmed-milk powder as food aid to the countries of the Sahel

THE COUNCIL OF THE EUROPEAN COMMUNITIES,

Having regard to the Treaty establishing the European Economic Community ;

Having regard to Council Regulation (EEC) No 804/68 (1) of 27 June 1968 on the common organization of the market in milk and milk products, as last amended by the Act (2) concerning the conditions of Accession and the adjustments to the Treaties, and in particular Article 7 (4) thereof ;

Having regard to the proposal from the Commission ;

Whereas the countries of the Sahel have informed the Community that their supply of milk and their economic and financial situations have been seriously affected by the deterioration in the climatic situation; whereas, consequently, there is an urgent need for the Community to supply certain quantities of skimmed-milk powder to those countries ;

Whereas when considering the supply of skimmed-milk powder as aforesaid, account should be taken of the available stocks of that product in the Community and of the need not to disturb the market ;

Whereas the available stocks held by the intervention agencies are sufficient to enable 13 000 metric tons of skimmed-milk powder to be supplied ;

Whereas to enable effective use to be made of the aid, provision should be made for the financing of all or part of the cost of transportation to the destinations ;

Whereas, having regard to the urgency of the situation, provision should be made, exceptionally, for the transportation of the goods from the warehouses of the intervention agencies to their destinations to be carried out by means of a procedure decided on by mutual agreement ;

HAS ADOPTED THIS REGULATION :

Article 1

13 000 metric tons of skimmed-milk powder shall be put at the disposal of the countries listed below and allocated as follows :

Republic of Upper Volta	1 800 metric tons
Republic of Mali	2 100 metric tons
Republic of Mauritania	1 800 metric tons
Republic of Niger	2 500 metric tons
Republic of Senegal	2 400 metric tons
Republic of Chad	2 400 metric tons.

Article 2

The skimmed-milk powder referred to in Article 1 shall be from milk purchased in conformity with Article 7 (1) of Regulation (EEC) No 804/68.

Article 3

1. For the purposes referred to in Article 1, an amount shall be paid to cover the cost of transportation to the destinations as fixed in the terms of application of this Regulation.

2. The amount referred to in paragraph 1 shall be determined by tendering procedure, or having regard to the urgency of the situation, by a procedure of mutual agreement which involves the least onerous conditions possible.

Article 4

This Regulation shall enter into force on the 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, 14 May 1973.

For the Council
The President
R. VAN ELSLANDE

(1) OJ No L 148, 28. 6. 1968, p. 13.
(2) OJ No L 73, 27. 3. 1972, p. 14.