REGULATION (EEC) No 1361/73 OF THE COUNCIL

of 15 May 1973

fixing the amount of aid for flax and hemp for the 1973/74 marketing year

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 Council Regulation (EEC) No 1308/70 [1] of 29 June 1970 on the common organization of the market in flax and hemp, as amended by the Act [2] concerning the Conditions of Accession and the Adjustments to the Treaties, hereinafter called the 'Act', and in particular Article 4 (3) thereof;

Having regard to the proposal from the Commission;

Having regard to the Opinion of the European Parliament;

Whereas Article 4 of Regulation (EEC) No 1308/70 provides for the annual fixing of aid for flax and hemp produced within the Community;

Whereas in accordance with Article 4 (2) of that Regulation, aid shall be fixed per hectare sown and harvested so as to ensure a balance between the required volume of production within the Community and the potential outlets for that production; whereas, when that aid is fixed, account must be taken of the price for flax and hemp fibres and seeds on the world market and of the price for other competing natural products;

Whereas Article 95 of the Act lays down the criteria for fixing the amount of aid for flax in the new Member States; whereas application of these criteria entails fixing the said amount for the United Kingdom and Denmark at a lower level than, and, for Ireland at a level equal to that of the aid valid for the Community as originally constituted;

HAS ADOPTED THIS REGULATION:

Sole Article

For the 1973/74 marketing year, the aid referred to in Article 4 of Regulation (EEC) No 1308/70 shall be:

(a) as regards flax,

- 70 units of account per hectare for the United Kingdom,
- 125 units of account per hectare for Denmark,
- 150 units of account per hectare for the other Member States;

(b) as regards hemp, 125 units of account per hectare for all Member States.

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

Done at Brussels, 15 May 1973.

For the Council

The President

A. LAVENS

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[1] OJ No L 146, 4. 7. 1970, p. 1.

[2] OJ No L 73, 27. 3. 1972, p. 14.