REGULATION (EEC) No 1897/73 OF THE COMMISSION
of 11 July 1973
fixing the denaturing premium for common wheat for the 1973/74 marketing year

THE COMMISSION OF THE EUROPEAN COMMUNITIES,

Having regard to the Treaty establishing the European Economic Community;

Having regard to Council Regulation No 120/67/EEC (1) of 13 June 1967 on the common organization of the market in cereals, as last amended by Regulation (EEC) No 1346/73 (2), and in particular Articles 7 (5) and 23 (5) thereof;

Whereas Council Regulation No 172/67/EEC (3) of 27 June 1967 on general rules governing the denaturing of wheat and rye of bread-making quality, as last amended by Regulation (EEC) No 2096/68 (4), specifies that the denaturing premium must be fixed before the beginning of, and for the duration of, the marketing year, but may exceptionally be amended where there is a threat of disturbances on the Community market in cereals;

Whereas pursuant to Commission Regulation (EEC) No 1403/69 (5) of 18 July 1969 laying down detailed rules for the application of the provisions concerning denaturing of common wheat and rye of bread-making quality, as last amended by Regulation (EEC) No 2147/72 (6), the denaturing premium consists of two components, the first allowing for the differences between prices for common wheat and for barley, without disturbing the market in barley and maize, the second representing the costs of denaturing;

Whereas, for the first component, the difference between the basic intervention prices for common wheat and barley as varied monthly should be taken into account, except that in June and July 1974 when the intervention prices are those of the following year, the May 1974 difference should be taken into account since it is more representative of the market, and 1·39 units of account should be subtracted in order to take account of the situation on the market;

Whereas, however, for the months of August and September the monthly variation for the month of October should be taken into account to raise the level of the premium at the beginning of the marketing year;

Whereas the second component should represent the technical costs of denaturing or the special costs of admixture; whereas this component, fixed at a flat rate on the basis of the average costs in the Community, of the standard method set out in Annex I to Regulation (EEC) No 1403/69, must be fixed in such a way as to encourage denaturing by admixture since this is less costly and presents greater economic advantages;

Whereas, pursuant to Article 57 of the Act, in fixing the level of the various elements of the price and intervention system, except for intervention prices, account is to be taken, to the extent necessary for the proper functioning of Community rules, of the difference in prices expressed by the compensatory amount;

Whereas the Management Committee for Cereals has not delivered an opinion within the time limit set by its Chairman;

HAS ADOPTED THIS REGULATION:

Article 1

For the 1973/1974 marketing year the denaturing premium provided for in Article 4 (1) of Regulation No 172/67/EEC shall be fixed at 10·50 units of account per ton.

This amount is increased by the difference between the monthly increases applicable respectively to the intervention price of soft wheat and that of barley.

For the months of August and September, the valid premium shall be that calculated for the month of October.

Article 2

The total amount of the premium shall be:

— diminished in Denmark by 1 unit of account per ton,
— increased in Ireland by 6 units of account per ton,
— diminished in the United Kingdom by 1 unit of account per ton.

Article 3

This Regulation shall enter into force on 1 August 1973.

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

Done at Brussels, 11 July 1973.

For the Commission
The President
François-Xavier ORTOLI

(1) OJ No 117, 19. 6. 1967, p. 2269/67.
(2) OJ No L 141, 28. 5. 1973, p. 8.
(3) OJ No 130, 28. 6. 1967, p. 2602/67.
(4) OJ No L 308, 23. 12. 1968, p. 12.
(5) OJ No L 180, 22. 7. 1969, p. 3.
(6) OJ No L 229, 6. 10. 1972, p. 15.