REGULATION (EEC) No 201/73 OF THE COMMISSION

of 23 January 1973

authorizing the French intervention agency to restrict to specific uses the invitation to tender in respect of 40 000 tons of common wheat

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 2429/72 (2), and in particular Article 7 (5) thereof;

Whereas in accordance with Article 3 (4) of Commission Regulation (EEC) No 376/70 (3) of 27 February 1970 laying down the procedures and conditions for the disposal of cereals held by intervention agencies, as last amended by Regulation (EEC) No 129/73 (4), the invitation to tender may in exceptional cases, at the request of a Member State, be restricted to specific uses;

Whereas due to bad weather during the 1972 harvest, the common wheat harvested in certain parts of France is of too low a quality for the production of flour suitable for breadmaking;

Whereas it is therefore necessary to turn this common wheat harvested in those parts into wheat suitable for flour milling by mixing it with common wheat of high breadmaking quality available from the stocks of the intervention agency;

Whereas, in order to avoid speculative purchases by the trade, the French Republic has requested that the French intervention agency be authorized to restrict to specific uses the invitation to tender in respect of a maximum quantity of 40 000 tons of common wheat of high breadmaking quality;

Whereas the measures provided for in this Regulation are in accordance with the Opinion of the Management Committee for Cereals;

HAS ADOPTED THIS REGULATION:

Article 1

Upon offering common wheat for sale on the internal market the French intervention agency is authorized for the 1972/73 season to restrict the invitation to tender for 40 000 tons of common wheat to use for the sole purpose of producing flour suitable for breadmaking.

Article 2

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, 23 January 1973.

For the Commission

The President

François-Xavier ORTOLI

(1) OJ No 117, 19. 6. 1967, p. 2269/67.
(2) OJ No L 264, 23. 11. 1972, p. 1.
(3) OJ No L 47, 28. 2. 1970, p. 49.
(4) OJ No L 17, 20. 1. 1973, p. 17.