REGULATION (EEC) No 1470/74 OF THE COUNCIL

of 4 June 1974

fixing for the 1974 harvest the amounts of the premium granted to purchasers of leaf tobacco

THE COUNCIL OF THE EUROPEAN COMMUNITIES,

Having regard to the Treaty establishing the European Economic Community;

Having regard to Council Regulation (EEC) No 727/70 [1] of 21 April 1970 on the common organization of the market in raw tobacco, as last amended by the Act of Accession [2], and in particular Article 4 (4) thereof;

Having regard to the proposal from the Commission;

Having regard to the Opinion of the European Parliament;

Whereas the purpose of the premium granted to purchasers of each of the varieties of leaf tobacco is to secure the norm price and to ensure that tobacco produced in the Community is sold;

Whereas, to this end, the premium must be fixed at an amount made up, for each variety, of a component calculated with regard to foreseeable outlets on the Community market and, where appropriate, the influence of trends in prices of imported tobaccos which are competitive as substitutes for tobacco produced in the Community, and a standard component designed to secure guaranteed price and income and to ensure that Community tobacco is sold;

Whereas, for the purpose of fixing the amount of the premium for leaf tobacco outlets for baled tobacco should be assessed; whereas to this end the costs of first processing and of market preparation for each variety should be taken into account; whereas these costs should correspond to those of well-managed undertakings established in the Community; whereas account should also be taken, for each variety, of the average losses in weight resulting from first processing and preparation for market;

Whereas the amount of the premium theoretically applicable to all tobaccos of the relevant variety is to be fixed, for each of the varieties produced in the Community and for the corresponding reference quality, per kilogramme of leaf tobacco which has not undergone first processing and preparation for market;

Whereas, applying these rules and criteria to the situation on the market in raw tobacco, the premium should be based on the prices for baled tobacco; whereas international trade is in such tobacco; whereas the price of third country and Community baled tobacco should therefore be taken into consideration; whereas this price can be calculated for Community tobacco on the basis of the norm price for each variety of leaf tobacco, as adjusted by a coefficient expressing the loss in weight resulting from first processing and from preparation for market, and as increased by an amount representing costs directly related to such processing and preparation;

Whereas it has been found that the cost price of Community baled tobacco so calculated is higher than the price which would enable that tobacco to compete with similar imported tobacco; whereas the premium granted to purchasers of Community tobacco is intended to enable those purchasers to pay to leaf tobacco producers a price which is the same as the norm price;

Whereas the difference between the price thus calculated and the cost price was established at the baled tobacco stage; whereas this difference should be adjusted to the leaf tobacco stage by a formula similar to that described above;

Whereas, under the second subparagraph of Article 4 (3) of Regulation (EEC) No 727/70, the premium may exceptionally be fixed at an amount above or below that normally applicable to all tobacco of a given variety; whereas this possibility should be used in respect of the lowest quality of the Virgin SCR

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[1] OJ No L 94, 28. 4. 1970, p. 1.
[2] OJ No L 73, 27. 3. 1972, p. 14.

variety, since the value of this quality is substantially lower than that of the reference quality;

Whereas the increases in the norm price and in first processing and market preparation costs for the 1974 harvest could entail a corresponding increase in the amount of the premium; whereas, however, the trend in world market prices in 1973 indicates that the objectives for which the premium was introduced can be attained by leaving the amounts thereof, with the exception of three varieties of tobacco, at the level fixed for the 1973 harvest,

HAS ADOPTED THIS REGULATION:

Sole Article

For the 1974 harvest the amounts of the premium granted to purchasers of leaf tobacco and provided for in Article 3 of Regulation (EEC) No 727/70 shall be as shown in the Annex.

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

Done at Luxembourg, 4 June 1974.

For the Council

The President

J. ERTL

ANNEX

Amount of the premium per kilogramme of leaf tobacco

Serial No	Varieties	Amount (u.a./kg)
1	a) Badischer Geudertheimer b) Forchheimer Havanna II c)	1·338
2	Badischer Burley E	1·335
3	Virgin SCR	1·200 (1)
4	a) Paraguay and hybrids thereof b) Dragon vert and hybrids thereof	1·048
5	Nijkerk	1·119
6	Burley (Burley × Bel)	0·917
7	a) Misionero and hybrids thereof b) Rio Grande and hybrids thereof	1·002
8	a) Philippin b) Petit Grammont (Flobecq) c) Burley (Ergo × 6410 and Ergo × Bursana)	0·697
9	a) Semois b) Appelterre	0·876
10	Bright	1·118
11 a)	Burley I	0·688
11 b)	Maryland	0·848
12	a) Kentucky and hybrids thereof b) Moro di Cori c) Salento	0·546

Serial No	Varieties	Amount (u.a./kg)
13	a) Nostrano del Brenta b) Resistente 142 c) Gojano	1·180
14	Beneventano	0·805
15	Xanti-Yakà	1·435
16	Perustitza	1·348
17	Erzegovina and hybrids thereof	1·202
18	a) Round Tip b) Scafati c) Sumatra I	5·655
19	a) Brasil Selvaggio b) Other varieties	0·228

(1) Excluding the lowest quality (Class III) for which the amount of the premium is 0·616 u.a./kg.