REGULATION (EEC) No 2083/74 OF THE COMMISSION

of 7 August 1974

on the granting of aid for the re-storage of table wine in respect of which a storage contract was concluded during the wine-growing year 1973/74

THE COMMISSION OF THE EUROPEAN COMMUNITIES,

Having regard to the Treaty establishing the European Economic Community;

Having regard to Council Regulation (EEC) No 816/70 (1) of 28 April 1970 laying down additional provisions for the common organization of the market in wine, as last amended by Regulation (EEC) No 1532/74 (2), and in particular Articles 6a and 35 thereof;

Whereas Regulation (EEC) No 816/70 provides for the conclusion of long-term storage contracts; whereas Commission Regulation (EEC) No 1437/70 (3) on storage contracts for table wine, as last amended by Regulation (EEC) No 3411/73 (4), lays down the terms on which such contracts may be concluded; whereas the quantities of table wine at present covered by a current storage contract are greater than usual at this time of year; whereas this is attributable to the fact that sales during the current wine-growing year were not sufficient to provide an outlet for all the quantities available at the beginning of that year;

Whereas the wine in question is stored in containers which may be needed for storing the next vintage;

Whereas, in order that producers may store their next vintage under normal conditions, aid must be granted for the re-storage of table wine, but subject to a limitation as to distance;

Whereas, in order to ensure that this measure applies only in cases which appear to be economically justified, only storage contracts concluded during a specified period should be eligible; whereas, in order that the measure may be implemented in a proper manner, provisions should be laid down concerning the mode of transport and the time limit for the submission of applications;

Whereas, since the period for administrative implementation of this measure is short, the quantities concerned often small and the transport costs low by comparison with the total costs, the amount of the aid should be fixed at a standard rate;

Whereas the measures provided for in this Regulation are in accordance with the Opinion of the Management Committee for Wine,

HAS ADOPTED THIS REGULATION:

Article 1

Upon application and subject to the conditions laid down in Article 2, aid may be granted for the re-storage in another area or locality, or in other storage premises belonging to a third party, of table wines in respect of which storage contracts were concluded pursuant to Regulation (EEC) No 1437/70 during the wine-growing year 1973/74.

Article 2

Aid shall be granted only if:

— the distance the wine is transported does not exceed 150 km,

— except in the case of long-term storage contracts, the relevant storage contracts were concluded before 31 August 1974 and are to expire after 15 October 1974,

— the wine is re-stored before 15 September 1974 and transported in one or more vehicles,

— the application for aid is submitted to the intervention agency in the Member State concerned before 31 August 1974.

Article 3

For all table wines the amount of the aid shall be 0·95 unit of account per hectolitre.

Article 4

1. Member States shall take all appropriate measures to ensure that the necessary checks are carried out. They shall in particular check that re-storage of the table wine concerned has in fact taken place.

2. Member States shall inform the Commission by 31 October 1974 of the quantities in respect of which re-storage aid has been granted.

Article 5

This Regulation shall enter into force on the third day following its publication in the *Official Journal of the European Communities*.

It shall apply with effect from 1 August 1974.

(1) OJ No L 99, 5. 5. 1970, p. 1.
(2) OJ No L 166, 21. 6. 1974, p. 1.
(3) OJ No L 160, 22. 7. 1970, p. 16.
(4) OJ No L 349, 19. 12. 1973, p. 25.

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

Done at Brussels, 7 August 1974.

For the Commission

The President

François-Xavier ORTOLI