REGULATION (EEC) No 625/74 OF THE COMMISSION

of 20 March 1974

on applications to the Guarantee Section of the EAGGF for reimbursement in respect of the 1968/69 to 1970 accounting periods

THE COMMISSION OF THE EUROPEAN COMMUNITIES,

Having regard to the Treaty establishing the European Economic Community;

Having regard to Council Regulation No 17/64/EEC [1] of 5 February 1964 on the conditions for granting aid from the European Agricultural Guidance and Guarantee Fund, as last amended by Regulation (EEC) No 2809/73 [2], and in particular Article 9 (5) thereof;

Having regard to Council Regulation (EEC) No 2030/73 [3] of 24 July 1973, on aid from the European Agricultural Guidance and Guarantee Fund, Guarantee Section for the 1967/68 to 1970 accounting periods and in particular Article 2 thereof;

Whereas Commission Regulation (EEC) No 773/72 [4] of 14 April 1972 on applications to the Guarantee Section of the EAGGF for reimbursement in respect of the accounting periods 1967/68 to 1970, specified with respect to those periods the particulars to be included in applications for reimbursement and the form in which the particulars should be presented;

Whereas it seems desirable to make certain adjustments so as to simplify the returns to be made by the Member States with respect to the 1968/69 to 1970 periods;

Whereas, moreover, pursuant to the provisions of Article 2 of Regulation (EEC) No 2030/73 it is proper to set the time limits for the submission of applications for reimbursement for the 1967/68 to 1970 periods;

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

HAS ADOPTED THIS REGULATION:

Article 1

Article 1 of Regulation (EEC) No 773/72 is completed by the following:

'3. Applications for reimbursement under the Title of the 1967/68 to 1970 accounting periods shall be submitted to the Commission by Member States not later than 1 July 1974.'

Article 2

Article 3 of Regulation (EEC) No 773/72 is replaced by the following:

'1. The figures referred to in Article 1 (1) (a) shall be compiled by each department or agency in the form shown in Annex IX to Commission Regulation (EEC) No 1723/72 [5] of 26 July 1972 on the auditing of accounts for the EAGGF, Guarantee Section and in Tables II, Xa and XI annexed to the present Regulation.

However, for the application of the present Regulation,

(a) the following are deleted:

— in Annex IX, the columns headed 'Budget: Chapter, Article, Item' and 'Reference in Table';

— in Table Xa, for amounts relating to cereals, the breakdown by product and for amounts relating to sugar, the breakdown by instalments;

(b) Table Xa as amended under (a) shall be used for the accounting periods 1968/69 and the second half of 1969.

2. Member States shall specify whether the figures relating to refunds and interventions are net of any amounts relating to irregularities or negligence recovered by the date on which the request is made.

3. The figures for refunds and levies relating to products for which compensatory amounts have been collected or granted on account of the corrective amounts provided for in Article 4 (1) of Regulation (EEC) No 886/68 or in Article 4 (1) of Regulation (EEC) No 1222/70 are compiled with due consideration to the application of the aforesaid compensatory amounts in transactions with third countries. France deducts, from the figures of refunds and levies thus compiled, the relevant compensatory amounts applied.

(1) OJ No 34, 27. 2. 1964, p. 586/64.
(2) OJ No L 290, 17. 10. 1973, p. 1.
(3) OJ No L 207, 28. 7. 1973, p. 1.
(4) OJ No L 97, 24. 4. 1972, p. 1.
(5) OJ No L 186, 16. 8. 1972, p. 1.

4. Member States which, during the period 1 to 28 July 1968, granted production aids under the common organization of the market in milk and milk products shall include relevant figures for such aids in the refund amounts.'

Article 3

This Regulation shall enter into force on the third 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, 20 March 1974.

For the Commission

The President

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