REGULATION (EEC) No 1456/75 OF THE COMMISSION

of 5 June 1975

on special arrangements for the 1974/75 sugar marketing year under the system of offsetting storage costs for sugar

THE COMMISSION OF THE EUROPEAN COMMUNITIES,

Having regard to the Treaty establishing the European Economic Community;

Having regard to Council Regulation No 1009/67/EEC (1) of 18 December 1967 on the common organization of the market in sugar, as last amended by Regulation (EEC) No 2476/74 (2), and in particular Article 8 (3) thereof;

Whereas Article 2 (1) of Council Regulation (EEC) No 750/68 (3) of 18 June 1968 laying down general rules for offsetting storage costs for sugar, as last amended by Regulation (EEC) No 152/71 (4), provides that reimbursement shall be made *inter alia* to manufacturers of powdered, lump or candy sugar and to specialized sugar traders approved by the Member State concerned;

Whereas Article 1 (4) of Commission Regulation (EEC) No 442/70 (5) of 9 March 1970 laying down detailed rules for the application of the system of offsetting storage costs for sugar, as last amended by Regulation (EEC) No 1688/74 (6), provides for the retrospective withdrawal of approval as aforesaid if monthly average stocks during a sugar marketing year do not correspond to certain minimum quantities;

Whereas in view of the extraordinary shortage of sugar in the 1974/75 marketing year it appears, however, injustifiable to apply this provision; whereas therefore it is necessary to suspend temporarily the minimum stocks requirement in respect of the abovementioned recipients of reimbursement;

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

HAS ADOPTED THIS REGULATION:

Article 1

By way of derogation from Article 1 (4) of Regulation (EEC) No 442/70 retrospective withdrawal of approval shall not apply for the 1974/75 sugar marketing year, provided that in the 1973/74 marketing year the recipients of reimbursement were approved and held the prescribed minimum stocks.

Article 2

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, 5 June 1975.

For the Commission

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(1) OJ No 308, 18. 12. 1967, p. 1.
(2) OJ No L 264, 1. 10. 1974, p. 70.
(3) OJ No L 137, 21. 6. 1968, p. 4.
(4) OJ No L 22, 28. 1. 1971, p. 1.
(5) OJ No L 55, 10. 3. 1970, p. 10.
(6) JO No L 176, 30. 6. 1974, p. 5.