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REGULATION (EEC) No 2610/75 OF THE COUNCIL
of 14 October 1975
laying down, in respect of hops, the amount of the aid to producers for the 1974 harvest

THE COUNCIL OF THE EUROPEAN COMMUNITIES,

Having regard to the Treaty establishing the European Economic Community, and in particular Article 43 thereof ;

Having regard to Council Regulation (EEC) No 1696/71 (1) of 26 July 1971, on the common organization of the market in hops, as amended by the Act of Accession (2) and in particular Article 12 (4) and (5) thereof ;

Having regard to the proposal from the Commission ;

Having regard to the Opinion of the European Parliament (3) ;

Having regard to the Opinion of the Economic and Social Committee ;

Whereas Article 12 of Regulation (EEC) No 1696/71 provides for the possibility of granting aid to hop producers to enable them to achieve a fair income ; whereas the amount of this aid is fixed per hectare and differs according to variety, taking into account the average return in comparison with the average returns for previous harvests, the current position of the market and price trends ;

Whereas the study of the results of the 1974 harvest gives rise to the fixing of aid for certain varieties of hops cultivated in the Community ;

Whereas the market is experiencing a collapse of prices as a result of the structural surpluses created by the excessive increase during 1974 in the areas under varieties with a high alpha acid content ; whereas this situation must therefore be remedied by a limitation of the aid granted for a given area planted ; whereas, for each variety, the areas which were registered in 1974 and already cultivated in 1973 are representative of the average for the last three years ; whereas, for each variety, the aid granted should therefore be limited to these areas ; whereas, moreover, implementation by the national authorities can be simplified and accelerated by such a measure,

HAS ADOPTED THIS REGULATION :

Article 1

1. For the 1974 harvest aid shall be granted to the producers of hops cultivated in the Community, for the varieties referred to in the Annex.

2. The amount of the aid shall be that set out in the Annex.

3. The aid granted for each variety shall be limited to an amount corresponding to the areas under that variety in 1973.

Article 2

This Regulation shall enter into force on the third day following that of 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 Luxembourg, 14 October 1975.

For the Council
The President
G. MARCORA

(1) OJ No L 175, 4. 8. 1971, p. 1.
(2) OJ No L 73, 27. 3. 1972, p. 14.
(3) Opinion delivered on 13. 10. 1975 (not yet published in the Official Journal)

ANNEX

Amounts of the aid granted to hop producers for the 1974 harvest

Varieties	*Amount in u.a./hectare*
Hallertauer	400
Northern Brewer	150
Brewers Gold	150
Record	600
Hersbrucker Spät	300
Hüller Bitterer	300
Tettnanger	100
Bramling Cross	250
Progress	650
Keyworth's Midseason	500
Fuggles	700
Whitbread Golding Variety (WGV)	700
Alliance	750
Tutsham	750
Strisselspalt	600
Tardif de Bourgogne	600
Spalter	200
Goldings	100
Saaz	600