COMMISSION REGULATION (EEC) No 458/76

of 27 February 1976

on private storage aid for table wines standing in close economic relationship with table wines of the type R II

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 of 28 April 1970 laying down additional provisions for the common organization of the market in wine [1], as last amended by Regulation (EEC) No 1932/75 [2], in particular the second subparagraph of Article 5 (7) thereof,

Whereas the second subparagraph of Article 5 (3) of Regulation (EEC) No 816/70 provides that, if the state of the market so requires, a decision may be taken to grant aid also for table wines of a type other than that for which the average price remains less than the activating price for two consecutive weeks, where such table wines stand in close economic relationship with the later type;

Whereas by Regulation (EEC) No 330/76 of 16 February 1976 concerning the private storage subsidy for the R II type of table wine [3], the Commission made a formal finding that there are grounds for granting private storage aid to wines of that type; whereas the amount of such aid is fixed in Article 6 (3) of Commission Regulation (EEC) No 1437/70 of 20 July 1970 on storage contracts for table wine [4], as last amended by Regulation (EEC) No 546/75 [5];

Whereas the prices of table wines on the Community market are at present showing a downward trend; whereas this tendency is demonstrated by the fact that intervention measures have had to be activated for table wines of the type R II; whereas important quantities of red table wine standing in close economic relationship with R II type table wines are to be found on the market and are subjected to the general fall in prices;

Whereas these red table wines standing in close economic relationship with table wines of the type R II are not subject to the above intervention measures and may therefore prevent the measures taken from having the desired effects; whereas it must therefore be made possible for such wines also to be the subject of storage contracts;

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

1. Aid for private storage as specified in Article 6 (3) (a) of Regulation (EEC) No 1437/70 shall be granted in respect of red table wines which stand in close economic relationship with table wines of the type R II.

2. Red wines shall be considered to stand in close economic relationship with table wines of the type R II where they have an actual alcoholic strength of more than 12·50° and not more than 14·50° and are not type R III.

Article 2

Regulation (EEC) No 719/75 is hereby repealed from 29 February 1976.

Article 3

This Regulation shall enter into force on 1 March 1976.

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

Done at Brussels, 27 February 1976.

For the Commission

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(1) OJ No L 99, 5. 5. 1970, p. 1.
(2) OJ No L 198, 29. 7. 1975, p. 19.
(3) OJ No L 41, 17. 2. 1976, p. 6.
(4) OJ No L 160, 22. 7. 1970, p. 16.
(5) OJ No L 58, 4. 3. 1975, p. 5.