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COUNCIL REGULATION (EEC) No 2360/77

of 28 October 1977

amending Regulation (EEC) No 1900/74 laying down special measures for soya beans

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 the proposal from the Commission,

Having regard to the opinion of the European Parliament (1),

Having regard to the opinion of the Economic and Social Committee (2),

Whereas Council Regulation (EEC) No 1900/74 of 15 July 1974 laying down special measures for soya beans (3) introduced a system of aid to promote the development of soya bean production in the Community; whereas Article 2 (2) thereof provides that a subsidy shall be granted for production obtained by applying an indicative yield to the areas on which soya has been sown and harvested;

Whereas experience has shown that due to difficulties in introducing this crop in the Community there are wide fluctuations in yields; whereas such fluctuations are likely to jeopardize producers' incomes and consequently hinder the development of this crop;

Whereas, in order to counteract these disadvantages, provision should be made for the subsidy to be granted for a limited period on the basis of a minimum yield, in order to ensure a fair income for producers who take up this new crop; whereas an addition should therefore be made to Regulation (EEC) No 1900/74,

HAS ADOPTED THIS REGULATION:

Article 1

The following subparagraph is hereby added to Article 2 (2) of Regulation (EEC) No 1900/74:

'For the 1977/78, 1978/79 and 1979/80 marketing years the indicative yield shall not be less than 2 000 kilograms per hectare.'

Article 2

This Regulation shall enter into force on 1 November 1977.

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

Done at Luxembourg, 28 October 1977.

For the Council

The President

G. SPITAELS

(1) Opinion delivered on 12. 10. 1977 (not yet published in the Official Journal).
(2) Opinion delivered on 28. 9. 1977 (not yet published in the Official Journal).
(3) OJ No L 201, 23. 7. 1974, p. 5.