COMMISSION REGULATION (EEC) No 2888/77

of 23 December 1977

amending Regulation (EEC) No 1297/77 amending for the fourth time Regulation (EEC) No 1019/70 on detailed rules for establishing free-at-frontier offer prices and fixing the countervailing charge in the wine sector

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 2560/77 (2), and in particular Article 9 (6) thereof,

Whereas Commission Regulation (EEC) No 1297/77 of 16 June 1977 amending for the fourth time Regulation (EEC) No 1019/70 on detailed rules for establishing free-at-frontier offer prices and fixing the countervailing charge in the wine sector (3) deleted Article 4 (4) of Regulation (EEC) No 1019/70 with effect from 1 January 1978;

Whereas, as 1 January 1978 draws near, it appears that the technical and monetary problems have not yet been solved and that there is little likelihood of a definitive solution by that date or indeed within the next two months; whereas, to avoid any interruption in the traditional imports of certain liqueur wines from non-member countries, the application of Regulation (EEC) No 1297/77 should be postponed for this period;

Whereas the measures provided for in this Regulation are in accordance with the opinion of the Management Committee for Wines,

HAS ADOPTED THIS REGULATION:

Article 1

In Article 2 of Regulation (EEC) No 1297/77 the date '1 January 1978' is hereby amended to read '1 March 1978'.

Article 2

This Regulation shall enter into force on the day following its publication in the *Official Journal of the European Communities.*

It shall apply with effect from 1 January 1978.

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

Done at Brussels, 23 December 1977.

For the Commission

Finn GUNDELACH

Vice-President

(1) OJ No L 99, 5. 5. 1970, p. 1.
(2) OJ No L 303, 28. 11. 1977, p. 1.
(3) OJ No L 149, 17. 6. 1977, p. 10.