COMMISSION REGULATION (EEC) No 544/79

of 22 March 1979

amending Regulation (EEC) No 1944/78 laying down, for the wine-growing year 1978/79, detailed rules governing the distillation of wines produced from table grapes

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 3065/78 (2), and in particular Article 24b (4) thereof,

Whereas Article 4a (1) of Council Regulation (EEC) No 1931/76 (3), as last amended by Regulation (EEC) No 2609/78 (4), provides that a margin of 10 % more or less than the quantity of wine indicated in the distillation contracts is permitted; whereas, however, this margin is not applied in the case of the distillations referred to in Article 24b of Regulation (EEC) No 816/70, in view of the character of that distillation; whereas experience has shown it to be necessary to fix the margin in respect of the quantities of wine indicated in the contracts drawn up in the context of that distillation at a percentage no higher than 5 %; whereas it is therefore necessary to amend Commission Regulation (EEC) No 1944/78 (5);

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

The following paragraph is added to Article 4 of Regulation (EEC) No 1944/78:

'6. The margin referred to in the second subparagraph of Article 4a (1) of Regulation (EEC) No 1931/76 shall be 5 % for the quantities of wine indicated in the contracts.'

Article 2

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

It shall apply from 1 September 1978.

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

Done at Brussels, 22 March 1979.

For the Commission

Finn GUNDELACH

Vice-President

(1) OJ No L 99, 5. 5. 1970, p. 1.
(2) OJ No L 366, 28. 12. 1978, p. 9.
(3) OJ No L 211, 5. 8. 1976, p. 5.
(4) OJ No L 315, 9. 11. 1978, p. 20.
(5) OJ No L 221, 12. 8. 1978, p. 6.