COMMISSION REGULATION (EEC) No 3696/81

of 22 December 1981

amending Regulation (EEC) No 2737/77 on measures derogating from certain requirements of the quality standards applicable to exports to third countries of flowering bulbs, corms and tubers

THE COMMISSION OF THE EUROPEAN COMMUNITIES,

Having regard to the Treaty establishing the European Economic Community,

Having regard to Council Regulation (EEC) No 234/68 of 27 February 1968 on the establishment of a common organization of the market in live trees and other plants, bulbs, roots and the like, cut flowers and ornamental foliage [1],

Having regard to Council Regulation (EEC) No 315/68 of 12 March 1968 fixing quality standards for flowering bulbs, corms and tubers [2], as last amended by Regulation (EEC) No 2530/80 [3], and in particular Article 2 (2) thereof,

Whereas Commission Regulation (EEC) No 2737/77 of 9 December 1977 [4] amended Regulation (EEC) No 537/70 [5] and authorized the Member States to waive certain requirements of the quality standards for Hyacinthes orientalis bulbs exported to Japan; whereas that Regulation is valid only until 31 December 1981;

Whereas there is no likelihood of the abolition of the existing plant health measures in Japan; whereas, for this purpose, the period of validity of Regulation (EEC) No 2737/77 should be extended;

Whereas the measures provided for in this Regulation are in accordance with the opinion of the Management Committee for Live Trees and Other Plants, Bulbs, Roots and the like, Cut Flowers and Ornamental Foliage,

HAS ADOPTED THIS REGULATION:

Article 1

The last sentence in Article 2 of Regulation (EEC) No 2737/77 is hereby replaced by the following:

'It shall apply until 31 December 1984.'

Article 2

This Regulation shall enter into force on 1 January 1982.

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

Done at Brussels, 22 December 1981.

For the Commission

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Member of the Commission

(1) OJ No L 55, 2. 3. 1968, p. 1.
(2) OJ No L 71, 21. 3. 1968, p. 1.
(3) OJ No L 259, 2. 10. 1980, p. 6.
(4) OJ No L 316, 10. 12. 1977, p. 29.
(5) OJ No L 67, 24. 3. 1970, p. 10.