# COUNCIL REGULATION (EEC) No 1598/83

## of 14 June 1983

## amending Regulation (EEC) No 458/80 on collective projects for the restructuring of vineyards

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 (1),

Having regard to the opinion of the European Parliament (2),

Having regard to the opinion of the Economic and Social Committee (3),

Whereas Council Regulation (EEC) No 458/80 (4), as amended by Regulation (EEC) No 2991/81 (5), introduced a common measure in certain vineyards producing table wines and in those suitable for the production of quality wines psr which takes the form of a premium granted for the restructuring of vineyards; whereas the amount of the premium is identical regardless of whether the vineyards produce table wines or quality wines psr; whereas there is no breakdown of surface area between the two categories of vineyard;

Whereas Regulation (EEC) No 458/80 must have an impact on the structural situation of vineyards producing table wines as well as on that of vineyards producing quality wines psr; whereas priority must, however, be given to vineyards producing table wines; whereas efforts must therefore be made to ensure that vineyards producing quality wines psr are not the main beneficiaries of the measure; whereas Regulation (EEC) No 458/80 should accordingly be amended in order to introduce a breakdown between vineyards producing table wines and those producing quality wines psr;

Whereas there are special difficulties for certain vineyards situated in the Charentes region which are naturally suited to the production of table wine or quality wines psr,

HAS ADOPTED THIS REGULATION:

*Article 1*

Regulation (EEC) No 458/80 is hereby amended as follows:

1. The third indent of Article 1 (2) shall be replaced by the following:

'— vineyards in the Charentes region intended for the production of wine suitable for the production of certain spirits with registered designations of origin, with the exception of areas of vineyard to be replanted with vine varieties, suitable for producing only table wines of quality wines psr, up to a limit of 1 000 hectares.'

2. Article 8 (1) shall be replaced by the following:

'1. With the exception of the extra premium granted pursuant to the second subparagraph of Article 5 (2), expenditure incurred by the Member States under the measure provided for in this Regulation in connection with projects which have been approved in accordance with Article 7 shall be eligible for financing by the Guidance Section of the Fund, up to a limit of 240 600 hectares of newly-planted or replanted vineyard, including a maximum of 45 800 hectares of vineyard for the production of quality wines psr for the wine-growing year preceding the year of grubbing-up.

The area of 45 800 hectares referred to in the first subparagraph shall be allocated as follows:

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| Germany: | 7 000 ha, |
| Greece: | 3 000 ha, |
| France: | 20 000 ha, |
| Italy: | 15 000 ha, |
| Luxembourg: | 800 ha.' |

(1) OJ No C 27, 2. 2. 1983, p. 10.
(2) OJ No C 128, 16. 5. 1983, p. 107.
(3) OJ No C 124, 9. 5. 1983, p. 1.
(4) OJ No L 57, 29. 2. 1980, p. 27.
(5) OJ No L 299, 20. 10. 1981, p. 21.

*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 with effect from 1 September 1980.

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

Done at Luxembourg, 14 June 1983.

*For the Council*
*The President*
I. KIECHLE