COUNCIL REGULATION (EEC) No 1108/84

of 31 March 1984

amending Regulation (EEC) No 2169/81 laying down the general rules for the system of aid for cotton

THE COUNCIL OF THE EUROPEAN COMMUNITIES,

Having regard to the Treaty establishing the European Economic Community,

Having regard to the 1979 Act of Accession, and in particular paragraph 9 of Protocol 4 on cotton,

Having regard to the proposal from the Commission (1),

Whereas under Article 8 (1) of Regulation (EEC) No 2169/81 (2), as amended by Regulation (EEC) No 1982/82 (3), the percentage of aid paid by Member States, until such time as the quantity actually produced is determined, is laid down, taking into account crop estimates, before the beginning of each marketing year;

Whereas, for the purposes of correct implementation of the system of aid in the case of unginned cotton, the date on which that percentage is laid down should be very near the date on which the product is actually harvested;

Whereas the interval between 1 August, the date laid down in Article 2 of Regulation (EEC) No 2169/81 as the beginning of the marketing year, and the period during which the harvest actually takes place is too long; whereas the beginning of the marketing year should therefore be postponed by one month,

HAS ADOPTED THIS REGULATION:

Article 1

The following paragraph shall be added to Article 2 of Regulation (EEC) No 2169/81:

'The 1983/84 marketing year shall, however, end on 31 August 1984. Thereafter, marketing years shall run from 1 September to 31 August.'

Article 2

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

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

Done at Brussels, 31 March 1984.

For the Council

The President

M. ROCARD

(1) OJ No C 62, 5. 3. 1984, p. 24.
(2) OJ No L 211, 31. 7. 1981, p. 2.
(3) OJ No L 215, 23. 7. 1982, p. 5.