COMMISSION REGULATION (EEC) No 2777/88

of 7 September 1988

amending Regulation (EEC) No 2083/80 laying down detailed rules of application concerning the economic activity of producer groups and associations thereof

THE COMMISSION OF THE EUROPEAN COMMUNITIES,

Having regard to the Treaty establishing the European Economic Community,

Having regard to Council Regulation (EEC) No 1360/78 of 19 June 1978 on producer groups and associations thereof [1], as last amended by Regulation (EEC) No 1760/87 [2], and in particular the second indent of Article 6 (3) thereof,

Whereas Commission Regulation (EEC) No 2083/80 [3], as last amended by Regulation (EEC) No 559/88 [4], lays down detailed rules of application concerning the economic activity of producer groups and associations thereof; whereas these rules must be supplemented following extension of the applicability of Regulation (EEC) No 1360/78 to Portugal;

Whereas holdings in Portugal are, typically, small, fragmented and unspecialized, and have a low average productivity; whereas low minima should therefore be set for the dimensions of producer group operations; whereas turnover is a suitable criterion for judging the efficiency of associations of producer groups in certain sectors where, in view of the difficulties of exhaustive determination of specific minimum crop areas, a single basis of reference should be used; whereas the fact that 'alentejano de montado' pigs are extensively-reared makes estimating national production difficult and whereas the minimum share of national production volume required of associations in this sector should therefore not be set; whereas in order to guarantee that associations are of adequate economic size a minimum number of member groups should be set;

Whereas the measures provided for in this Regulation are in accordance with the opinion of the Standing Committee on Agricultural Structure,

HAS ADOPTED THIS REGULATION:

Article 1

Regulation (EEC) No 2083/80 is hereby amended as follows:

1. The final paragraph of Article 3 is replaced by the following:

   'In the case of Spain and Portugal, by way of derogation from the above provisions of this Article, associations must account for a minium crop area, turnover and share of national production as indicated in Sections III and IV of the Annex. In the case of Spain, both where products listed in the Annex and other products are concerned, associations must consist of at least five recognized groups and cover the territory of at least one Autonomous Community. In the case of Portugal, associations must consist of at least the number of recognized groups indicated in Section IV of the Annex, and of at least three recognized groups for other products, and cover the territory of at least one "district".'

2. The table relating to Portugal annexed to this Regulation is inserted in the Annex before the footnotes.

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, 7 September 1988.

For the Commission

Frans ANDRIESSEN

Vice-President

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[1] OJ No L 166, 23. 6. 1978, p. 1.
[2] OJ No L 167, 26. 6. 1987, p. 1.
[3] OJ No L 203, 5. 8. 1980, p. 5.
[4] OJ No L 54, 1. 3. 1988, p. 51.

ANNEX

'IV. **Producer groups and associations thereof in Portugal**

CN code	Product	Producer groups		Associations			
		Volume of production or turnover	Minimum number of members	Minimum area or equivalent	Turnover (million ECU)	Share of national production volume (%)	Minimum number of members
0102 ex 0201 ex 0202	Live bovine animals Meat of bovine animals, fresh, chilled or frozen (1)	400 LU	25	2 000 LU	2,0	1,5	3
0103 ex 0203	Live swine (1) (8) Meat of swine, fresh, chilled or frozen	5 000 head 1 000 head of "alentejanos de montado" pigs	20 10	50 000 head 5 000 head of "alentejanos de montado" pigs	6,0 0,7	2,0 —	5 5
0104 ex 0204	Live sheep and goats (1) Meat of sheep or goats, fresh, chilled or frozen	1 000 head	10	10 000 head	0,225	1,0	5
0105 0207	Live poultry, i.e. fowls of the species Gallus domesticus, ducks, geese, turkeys and guinea fowls Meat and edible offal of the above, fresh, chilled or frozen	100 000 head	20	1 000 000 head	1,9	1,0	5
0106 00 10 0208 10 10	Live domestic rabbits Meat and edible meat offal of the above, fresh, chilled or frozen (2)	30 000 head	20	100 000 head	0,65	1,0	3
0407 00	Birds' eggs, in shell, fresh, preserved or cooked (2)	20 000 layers	10	100 000 layers	1,5	2,0	3
0401	Milk and cream, not concentrated nor containing added sugar or other sweetening matter :						
0406	Cheese and curd :						
	(a) from cows' milk (3)	1 000	30	20 000 tonnes	5,5	2,5	5
	(b) from sheep or goats' milk (3)	100	25	1 000 tonnes	0,9	1,0	3
0409 00 00	Natural honey (4)	30 000 ECU	10	32 tonnes	0,1	1,0	3
Chapter b	Live trees and other plants, bulbs, roots and the like, cut flowers and ornamental foliage (4)	100 000 ECU	10	—	0,6	2,5	3
0701 90 51	Potatoes, fresh or chilled (5) :						
0701 90 59	(a) ware	1 500	20	1 500 ha	2,8	1,0	5
0701 90 90	(b) new	300	20	200 ha	0,5	2,0	3
0709 90 31 0710 80 10 0711 20 10	Olives, for uses other than the production of oil	250	25	1 000 ha	0,4	5,0	3
0713 1209 29	Dried leguminous vegetables, shelled, whether or not skinned or split, other fodder seeds	150	10	1 000 ha	0,4	2,0	3
0803 00	Bananas, including plantains, fresh or dried	5 ha	15	50 ha	0,6	4,0	3
0804 30 00	Pineapples	200 000 ECU	10	15 ha	0,75	20,0	3

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0804 40	Avocados	5 ha	10	20 ha	0,25	20,0	3
0804 20 90	Figs, dried	100 ha	10	500 ha	0,22	1,0	3
0806 20	Grapes, dried	5 ha	10	15 ha	0,06	10,0	3
0902	Tea	5 ha	10				
	Cereals (6) (7) :						
1001	Wheat and meslin	5 000 tonnes	25	10 000 ha	9,0	3,5	5
1002 00 00	Rye						
1003 00	Barley						
1004 00	Oats						
1005	Maize						
1007 00	Grain sorghum						
1008 30 00	Alpiste						
1008 90	Other cereals						
1006	Rice	2 500 tonnes	20	5 000 ha	7,5	10	3
ex 1201 to ex 1207	Oil seeds and oleaginous fruits other than those used for sowing (4)	250 000 ECU	10	600 ha	1,0	6,5	3
1211	Plants and parts of plants (including seeds and fruits), of a kind used primarily in perfumery, in pharmacy or for insecticidal, fungicidial or similar purposes, fresh or dried, whether or not cut, crushed or powdered (4)	100 000 ECU	10	—	0,25	5,0	3
1212 10	Locust beans, including locust bean seeds	100 tonnes	25	1 000 ha	3,0	5,0	3
1509	Olive oil and its fractions whether or not refined, but not chemically modified	50 tonnes	50	2 000 ha	0,9	1,5	3
ex 2204	Wine of fresh grapes, including fortified wines						
	(a) table wines	25 000 hl	100	5 000 ha	2,8	2,0	3
	(b) quality wines psr	2 500 hl	25	800 ha	0,9	1,0	3
2401	Unmanufactured tobacco ; tobacco refuse	30 tonnes	10	100 ha	0,35	6,0	3
4051 00 10	Natural cork, raw or simply prepared	1 000 tonnes	10	50 000 ha	6,25	10,0	3
ex 5301	Flax, raw or processed but not spun	5 ha	10	15 ha	0,01	10,0	3'