COMMISSION REGULATION (EEC) No 2238/89

of 25 July 1989

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 3875/88 (2), and in particular the second and third indents of Article 6 (3) thereof,

Whereas Commission Regulation (EEC) No 2083/80 (3), as last amended by Regulation (EEC) No 3087/88 (4), lays down detailed rules of application concerning the economic activity of producer groups and associations thereof; whereas it is necessary to supplement those rules as a result of the extension of the field of application of Regulation (EEC) No 1360/78 to include four sectors in Ireland and the sector of wine of fresh grapes in certain areas of France;

Whereas agricultural holdings in Ireland are generally small in size and whereas the market is supplied by a large number of small-scale producers; whereas producer groups and associations thereof are practically unknown or market only a negligible proportion of production; whereas, as regards the economic activity of these groups, the minimum limits for volume of production and membership should be fixed at relatively low lowels; whereas to ensure that the associations play a sufficiently important economic role, a minimum number of member groups and an adequate geographical area should be laid down;

Whereas the inclusion in the common measure of the entire sector of wine of fresh grapes in France requires minimum thresholds to be set for each category of wine; whereas for this purpose account must be taken of trends in this sector, which is characterized by a reduction in production due to grubbing-up measures and a pattern of demand which is heretogeneous and geared toward product diversity;

Whereas the measures provided for in this Regulation are in accordance with the opinion of the Standing Committee on Agricultural Structures and Rural Development,

HAS ADOPTED THIS REGULATION:

Article 1

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

1. The following subparagraph is added to Article 3 (2):

   '(g) in the case of Ireland, associations must comply with the minimum requirements as regards area cultivated, turnover, share of national production and number of recognized producer groups laid down in point V of the Annex. Irish associations must cover at least the area of one province.'

2. The Annex is amended as follows:

   (a) Table V in the Annex hereto is inserted above the notes at the bottom of the page.

   (b) Tabel Ia is replaced by Table Ia in the Annex hereto.

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, 25 July 1989.

For the Commission

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Member of the Commission

(1) OJ No L 166, 23. 6. 1978, p. 1.
(2) OJ No L 346, 15. 12. 1988, p. 3.
(3) OJ No L 203, 5. 8. 1980, p. 5.
(4) OJ No L 275, 7. 10. 1988, p. 16.

ANNEX

'V. Producer groups and associations thereof in Ireland

CN code	Product	Producer group		Associations			
		Volume of production or turnover	Minimum membership	Minimum area or equivalent	Turnover (million ECU)	Share of national production %	Minimum membership
0102 ex 0201 ex 0202	Live bovine animals; meat of bovine animals, fresh, chilled or frozen (1)	700 LU	20	10 000 LU	9,5	1,0	12
0104 ex 0204	Live sheep and goats (1); meat of sheep or goats, fresh, chilled or frozen	3 000 head	25	9 000 head	1,0	1,0	3
	Potatoes (1)						
0701 90 59	(a) main crop	3 000 tonnes	10	1 000 ha	2,0	4,0	5
0701 90 90	(b) early	1 000 tonnes	10	400 ha	1,0	4,0	3
	Cereals (6):						
1001 90	(a) common wheat and meslin	3 000 tonnes	5	15 000 tonnes	3,0	1,5	3
1003 00	(b) barley	3 000 tonnes	5	15 000 tonnes	3,0	1,5	3
1004 00	(c) oats	3 000 tonnes	5	15 000 tonnes	3,0	1,5	3'

'Ia. Producer groups in France

CN code	Product	Producer group	
		Volume of production or turnover	Minimum membership
0102 ex 0201 ex 0202	Live bovine animals; meat of bovine animals, fresh, chilled or frozen (1)	200 LU	20
	Tropical fruit:		
0803 00	Bananas, including plantains, fresh or dried	30 ha	10
0804 30 00	Pinapples	30 ha	10
0804 40	Avocados	30 ha	5
ex 1211	Lavender and perfumery plants	ECU 100 000	40
1509 1510 00	Olive oil	60 tonnes	200
2204 10	(a) wine of fresh grapes	100 000 hl	200
2204 21	(b) table wine	100 000 hl	200
2204 29 2204 30 10	(c) quality wines p. s. r.	30 000 hl or 50 % of total quality wine psr zone	100 producers or 50 % of total quality wine psr zone'