COMMISSION REGULATION (EEC) No 1232/93

of 19 May 1993

reducing the quantities of table wine covered by approved contracts and declarations for distillation as provided for in Regulation (EEC) No 130/93

THE COMMISSION OF THE EUROPEAN COMMUNITIES,

Having regard to the Treaty establishing the European Economic Community,

Having regard to Council Regulation (EEC) No 822/87 of 16 March 1987 on the common organization of the market in wine [1], as last amended by Regulation (EEC) No 1756/92 [2], and in particular Article 41 (10) thereof,

Whereas Article 3 (1) of Commission Regulation (EEC) No 2721/88 of 31 August 1988 laying down detailed rules for voluntary distillation as provided for in Articles 38, 41 and 42 of Regulation (EEC) No 822/87 [3], as last amended by Regulation (EEC) No 2181/91 [4], provides for a mechanism enabling the total quantity of table wine which may be sent for distillation to be kept within a given limit;

Whereas information forwarded to the Commission by the Member States shows that, on expiry of the time limit laid down for the submission of delivery contracts and declarations to intervention agencies, the quantity of table wine covered by contracts and declarations exceeds that laid down in Article 1 of Commission Regulation (EEC) No 130/93 of 26 January 1993 opening, for the 1992/93 wine year, distillation of table wine as provided for in Article 41 of Regulation (EEC) No 822/87 [5], which was considered sufficient to withdraw from the market approximately 0,010 million hectolitres, 1,726 million hectolitres, 4,450 million hectolitres, 0,270 million hectolitres and 11,672 million hectolitres respectively in production regions 1, 3, 4, 5 and 6 as referred to in Article 1 of Regulation (EEC) No 130/93; whereas, under these circumstances, the provision enabling distillation to be limited to the quantity provided;

Whereas Article 6 (5) of Regulation (EEC) No 2721/88 provides that producers may not deliver less than 10 hectolitres of wine; whereas provision should consequently be made, in cases where the reduction applicable would lead to the delivery of a quantity of less than that minimum, for the quantity which may be delivered to be 10 hectolitres;

Whereas the measures provided for in this Regulation are in accordance with the opinion of the Management Committee for Wine,

HAS ADOPTED THIS REGULATION:

Article 1

For each producer, the total quantity of table wine which may be delivered for distillation as provided for in Regulation (EEC) No 130/93 shall be equal to a percentage of the quantities in the contracts or declarations concluded by the said producer and submitted for approval.

That percentage shall be as follows for each of the regions referred to in Article 4 (2) of Commission Regulation (EEC) No 441/88 [6]:

— Region 1: 82,6,
— Region 3: 18,8,
— Region 4: 44,4,
— Region 5: 27,0,
— Region 6: 14,6.

However, if the quantity resulting from the application of that percentage is less than 10 hectolitres, the quantity which may be delivered shall be 10 hectolitres.

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, 19 May 1993.

For the Commission
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Member of the Commission

(1) OJ No L 84, 27. 3. 1987, p. 1.
(2) OJ No L 180, 1. 7. 1992, p. 27.
(3) OJ No L 241, 1. 9. 1988, p. 88.
(4) OJ No L 202, 25. 7. 1991, p. 16.
(5) OJ No L 18, 27. 1. 1993, p. 13.
(6) OJ No L 45, 18. 2. 1988, p. 15.