COMMISSION REGULATION (EEC) No 717/93

of 26 March 1993

amending Regulation (EEC) No 3076/78 on the importation of hops from non-member countries

THE COMMISSION OF THE EUROPEAN COMMUNITIES,

Having regard to the Treaty establishing the European Economic Community,

Having regard to Council Regulation (EEC) No 1696/71 of 26 June 1971 on the common organization of the market in hops (1), as last amended by Regulation (EEC) No 3124/92 (2), and in particular Article 5 (3) thereof,

Whereas, pursuant to Article 1 (2) of Commission Regulation (EEC) No 3076/78 of 21 December 1978 on the importation of hops from non-member countries (3), as last amended by Regulation (EEC) No 2940/92 (4), hops imported from non-member countries must be accompanied by an attestation of equivalence; whereas a temporary derogation — in the form of a control attestation — is given to certain countries not listed in the Annex to Commission Regulation (EEC) No 3077/78 of 21 December 1978 on the equivalence with Community certificates of attestations accompanying hops imported from non-member countries (5), as last amended by Regulation (EEC) No 2238/91 (6); whereas these control attestations provide only very little information as regards the characteristics of the product and no information at all on its origin and year of harvest; whereas, therefore, provision should be made for hops imported with a control attestation and hop products prepared from such hops not to be covered by a certification procedure;

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

HAS ADOPTED THIS REGULATION:

Article 1

The following subparagraph is added to Article 4 (1) of Regulation (EEC) No 3076/78:

'Hops imported with a control attestation and hop products prepared from hops imported with such an attestation may not be covered by a certification procedure.'

Article 2

This Regulation shall enter into force on the seventh 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, 26 March 1993.

For the Commission

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Member of the Commission

(1) OJ No L 175, 4. 8. 1971, p. 1.
(2) OJ No L 313, 30. 10. 1992, p. 1.
(3) OJ No L 367, 28. 12. 1978, p. 17.
(4) OJ No L 294, 10. 10. 1992, p. 8.
(5) OJ No L 367, 28. 12. 1978, p. 28.
(6) OJ No L 204, 27. 7. 1991, p. 13.