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COMMISSION REGULATION (EC) No 1670/97

of 27 August 1997

determining estimated production of unginned cotton for the 1997/98 marketing year

THE COMMISSION OF THE EUROPEAN COMMUNITIES,

Having regard to the Treaty establishing the European Community,

Having regard to the Act of Accession of Greece, and in particular Protocol 4 on cotton as last amended by Council Regulation (EC) No 1553/95 [1],

Having regard to Council Regulation (EC) No 1554/95 of 29 June 1995 laying down general rules for the system of aid for cotton and repealing Regulation (EEC) No 2169/81 [2], as amended by Regulation (EC) No 1584/96 [3], and in particular Article 8 thereof,

Whereas Article 8 of Regulation (EC) No 1554/95 requires estimated production of cotton to be determined from crop estimates before 1 October of each marketing year; whereas on the basis of the data available the production estimate for the 1997/98 marketing year should be as indicated below;

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

HAS ADOPTED THIS REGULATION:

Article 1

For the 1997/98 marketing year estimated production of unginned cotton is:

— 1 100 000 tonnes for Greece,

— 374 811 tonnes for Spain,

— 138 tonnes for other Member States.

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, 27 August 1997.

For the Commission

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Member of the Commission

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[1] OJ No L 148, 30. 6. 1995, p. 45.
[2] OJ No L 148, 30. 6. 1995, p. 48.
[3] OJ No L 206, 16. 8. 1996, p. 16.