COUNCIL REGULATION (EC) No 1632/98

of 20 July 1998

fixing, for the 1998 harvest, the premiums for leaf tobacco by group of tobacco varieties

THE COUNCIL OF THE EUROPEAN UNION,

Having regard to the Treaty establishing the European Community,

Having regard to Council Regulation (EEC) No 2075/92 of 30 June 1992 on the common organisation of the market in raw tobacco [1], and in particular Article 4(1) thereof,

Having regard to the proposal from the Commission [2],

Having regard to the opinion of the European Parliament [3],

Having regard to the opinion of the Economic and Social Committee [4],

Whereas, when the premiums for raw tobacco are fixed, account should be taken of the objectives of the common agricultural policy; whereas the common agricultural policy aims in particular to guarantee a fair standard of living for the farming community and to ensure that supplies are available and that they reach consumers at reasonable prices; whereas the premiums must take account in particular of past and foreseeable possibilities of disposal of the various tobaccos under normal conditions of competition; whereas, pursuant to these criteria, the premiums for the 1998 harvest should be kept at the same levels as those adopted for the preceding harvest,

HAS ADOPTED THIS REGULATION:

Article 1

For the 1998 harvest, the premium referred to in Article 4 of Regulation (EEC) No 2075/92 for each group of raw tobacco varieties, and the supplementary amounts, shall be as set out in the Annex hereto.

Article 2

This Regulation shall enter into force on the day following that of 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, 20 July 1998.

For the Council

The President

W. MOLTERER

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[1] OJ L 215, 30. 7. 1992, p. 70. Regulation as last amended by Regulation (EC) No 2595/97 (OJ L 351, 23. 12. 1997, p. 11).
[2] OJ C 87, 23. 3. 1998, p. 18.
[3] OJ C 210, 6. 7. 1998.
[4] OJ C 214, 10. 7. 1998.

ANNEX

PREMIUMS FOR LEAF TOBACCO FROM THE 1998 HARVEST

	I Flue-cured	II Light air-cured	III Dark air-cured	IV Fire-cured	V Sun-cured	VI Basmas	VII Katerini	VIII Kaba Koulak
ECU/kg	2,70965	2,16748	2,16748	2,38362	2,16748	3,75415	3,18541	2,27615

SUPPLEMENTARY AMOUNTS

Variety	ECU/kg
Badischer Geudertheimer, Pereg, Korso	0,4238
Badischer Burley E and hybrids thereof	0,6786
Virgin D and hybrids thereof, Virginia and hybrids thereof	0,3876
Paraguay and hybrids thereof, Dragon vert and hybrids thereof, Philippin, Petit Grammont (Flobecq), Semois, Appelterre	0,3163
Nijkerk	0,1847
Misionero and hybrids thereof, Rio Grande and hybrids thereof	0,2016