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THE COMMISSION OF THE EUROPEAN COMMUNITIES,

Having regard to the Treaty establishing the European Community,

Having regard to Council Regulation (EEC) No 3730/87 of 10 December 1987laying down the general rules for the supply of food from intervention stocks to designated organisations for distribution to the most deprived persons in the Community ([1])and in particular Article 6 thereof,

Having regard to Council Regulation (EC) No 2799/98 of 15 December 1998 establishing agrimonetary arrangements for the euro ([2]), and in particular Article 3(2) thereof,

Whereas:

(1) In accordance with Article 2 of Commission Regulation (EEC) No 3149/92 of 29 October 1992 laying down detailed rules for the supply of food from intervention stocks for the benefit of the most deprived persons in the Community ([3]), the Commission has to adopt a distribution plan to be financed from resources available in the 2007 budget year. The plan should lay down in particular, for each of the Member States applying the measure, the maximum financial resources available to carry out its part of the plan, and the quantity of each type of product to be withdrawn from the stocks held by the intervention agencies.

(2) The Member States involved in the plan for 2007 have supplied the information required in accordance with Article 1 of Regulation (EEC) No 3149/92.

(3) For the purposes of resource allocation, account must be taken of experience and of the degree to which the Member States have used the resources allocated to them in previous years.

(4) Article 2(3)(1)(c) of Regulation (EEC) No 3149/92 provides for the making of grants for the purchase on the market of products temporarily unavailable in intervention stocks. Since stocks of skimmed-milk powder and rice currently held by intervention agencies are very low and arrangements have already been made for their sale on the market and their distribution in the framework of Regulation (EEC) 3149/92, and since no purchases of these products are foreseen in 2006, it is necessary to fix the grant in order to allow skimmed-milk powder and rice required for the 2007 plan to be purchased on the market. Furthermore, specific provisions need to be introduced to ensure that the supply contract is properly carried out.

(5) To take into account the specific necessities of certain Member States, the withdrawal of cereals in payment for rice and rice based products should be authorised, in accordance with the third subparagraph of Article 4(1)(b) of Regulation (EEC) No 3149/92.

([1]) OJ L 352, 15.12.1987, p. 1. Regulation as amended by Regulation (EC) No 2535/95 (OJ L 260, 31.10.1995, p. 3).
([2]) OJ L 349, 24.12.1998, p. 1.
([3]) OJ L 313, 30.10.1992, p. 50. Regulation as last amended by Regulation (EC) No 133/2006 (OJ L 23, 27.1.2006, p. 11).

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(6) Article 7(1) of Regulation (EEC) No 3149/92 provides for the transfer between Member States of products unavailable in intervention stocks of the Member State where such products are required for the implementation of an annual plan. The intra-Community transfers necessary to carry through the 2007 plan should therefore be authorised subject to the conditions provided for in Article 7 of Regulation (EEC) No 3149/92.

(7) To implement the plan, the operative event within the meaning of Article 3 of Regulation (EC) No 2799/98 should be the date on which the financial year for administration of stocks in public storage starts.

(8) In accordance with Article 2(2) of Regulation (EEC) No 3149/92 the Commission has consulted the major organisations familiar with the problems of the most deprived persons in the Community when drawing up the plan.

(9) The measures provided for in this Regulation are in accordance with the opinions of all the relevant management committees,

HAS ADOPTED THIS REGULATION:

Article 1

For 2007, the distribution of foodstuffs for the benefit of the most deprived persons in the Community under Regulation (EEC) No 3730/87 shall be supplied in accordance with the distribution plan set out in Annex I to this Regulation.

Article 2

1. The grants to Member States for the purchase on the market of skimmed-milk powder and rice required for the plan referred to in Article 1 are fixed in Annex II.

2. The award to the successful tenderer of the contract for the supply of the skimmed-milk powder and rice referred to in paragraph 1 is subject to the provision by the tenderer of a security equivalent to the offer price, made out in the name of the intervention agency.

Article 3

The intra-Community transfer of products listed in Annex III to this Regulation are hereby authorised subject to the conditions provided for in Article 7 of Regulation (EEC) No 3149/92.

Article 4

In order to implement the plan referred to in Article 1 of this Regulation, the date of the operative event referred to in Article 3 of Regulation (EC) No 2799/98 shall be 1 October 2006.

Article 5

This Regulation shall enter into force on the day following its publication in the *Official Journal of the European Union*.

This Regulation shall be binding in its entirety and directly applicable in all Member States.

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ANNEX I

ANNUAL DISTRIBUTION PLAN FOR 2007

(a) Financial resources made available to implement the plan in each Member State:

(in euro)

Member State	Allocation
Belgique/België	5 817 428
Česká republika	144 453
Eesti	324 813
Elláda	6 267 329
España	54 836 559
France	48 890 266
Ireland	217 997
Italia	70 764 888
Latvija	348 962
Lietuva	3 273 261
Luxembourg	80 707
Magyarország	7 476 638
Malta	384 792
Polska	41 343 047
Portugal	14 086 552
▼M1 România	16 649 889
▼B Slovenija	1 272 606
Suomi/Finland	3 383 074
▼M1 Total	275 563 261

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(b) Quantity of each product to be withdrawn from the Community intervention stocks for distribution in each Member State subject to the maximum amounts laid down in (a):

(tonnes)

Member State	Cereals	Rice (paddy rice)	Butter	Sugar
Belgique/België	12 000			2 000
Česká republika	270		26	50
Eesti	3 000			
Elláda	11 760	3 900		
España	110 000		13 650	6 443
France	82 641	23 641	6 500	3 338
Ireland			80	
Italia	122 465	20 000	3 570	6 847
Latvija	3 280			
Lietuva	12 000			2 760

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(tonnes)

Member State	Cereals	Rice (paddy rice)	Butter	Sugar
Magyarország	52 000			900
Malta	1 550			
Polska	120 230		2 400	8 298
Portugal	20 000	14 000	3 300	1 435
▼M1 România	96 712			11 986
▼B Slovenija	2 610			653
Suomi/Finland	16 500		500	500
▼M1 Total	667 018	61 541	30 026	45 210

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(c) Quantities of cereals authorised for removal from intervention stocks to pay for the supply of rice or rice based products mobilised on the market, subject to the maximum amounts laid down in (a):

Member State	Tonnes
Belgique/België	4 146
France	25 590
Lietuva	5 000
Total	34 736

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ANNEX II

(a) Grants to Member States for purchase of skimmed milk powder on the Community market subject to the maximum amounts laid down in Annex I(a):

Member State	Euros
Belgique/België	2 893 618
Česká republika	17 469
Eesti	5 190
Elláda	4 192 560
France	13 494 861
Italia	39 261 578
Luxembourg	76 864
Magyarország	1 397 520
Malta	118 789
Polska	16 770 240
Slovenija	527 564
Total	78 756 283

(b) Grants to Member States for purchase of rice on the Community market subject to the maximum amounts laid down in Annex I(a):

Member State	Euros
Eesti	300
España	2 400 000
Malta	90 750
Slovenija	90 000
Total	2 581 050

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ANNEX III

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Intra-Community transfers authorised under the plan for the 2007 budget

	Product	Quantity (tonnes)	Holder	Consignee
1.	Common wheat	2 207	MMM, Suomi/Finland	Põllumajanduse Registrite ja Informatsiooni Amet, Eesti
2.	Common wheat	11 760	BLE, Deutschland	OPEKEPE, Elláda
3.	Common wheat	110 000	ONIGC, France	FEGA, España
4.	Common wheat	103 429	BLE, Deutschland	AGEA, Italia
5.	Common wheat	19 036	AMA, Österreich	AGEA, Italia
6.	Common wheat	5 637	MMM, Suomi/Finland	Agricultural and Food Products Market Regulation Agency, Lietuva
7.	Common wheat	1 550	ONIGC, France	National Research and Development Centre, Malta
8.	Common wheat	20 000	ONIGC, France	INGA, Portugal
9.	Common wheat	96 712	MVH, Magyarország	Paying and Intervention Agency for Agriculture, România
10.	Common wheat and other cereals	2 610	MVH, Magyarország	AAMRD, Slovenija
11.	Rice	23 641	OPEKEPE, Elláda	ONIGC, France
12.	Rice	20 000	OPEKEPE, Elláda	Ente Risi, Italia
13.	Rice	14 000	OPEKEPE, Elláda	INGA, Portugal
14.	Butter	3 511	Department of Agriculture and Food, Ireland	Office de l`Elevage, France
15.	Sugar	3 338	FEGA, España	ONIGC, France
16.	Sugar	2 760	ARR, Polska	Agricultural and Food Products Market Regulation Agency, Lietuva
17.	Sugar	1 435	FEGA, España	INGA, Portugal
18.	Sugar	11 986	MVH, Magyarország	Paying and Intervention Agency for Agriculture, România
19.	Sugar	500	ARR, Polska	MMM, Suomi/Finland