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Commission report to the ACP-EEC Committee of Ambassadors,
on the progress made with the processing of all transfers,
for application year 1992, under the system of
stabilisation of export earnings provided for by the
Fourth ACP-EEC Convention.

STABEX

1992 application year

Report prepared by the Commission in application
of Article 207 para. 4 of the
Fourth ACP-EEC Convention

Article 207 para. 4 of the Fourth ACP-EEC Convention provides that :

"On 30 September...the Commission shall report to the Committee of Ambassadors on the progress made with the processing of all transfers.

This is the report foreseen in that provision, and relates to the transfers for the 1992 application year.

For the 1992 application year, the Commission noted that 32 ACP States could benefit from 60 transfers under the System for the Stabilisation of Export Earnings provided in the Fourth ACP-EEC Convention (Stabex).

The total amount of eligible transfers, after consultations in accordance with Article 203 of the Convention, where applicable, comes to 848,029,662 ecus, while the resources available to the system for the application year in question amount to 330 million ecus.

These resources being less than the total of eligible transfers, the reduction of the latter in accordance with the provisions of Article 194, para. 2 of the Convention is applicable. The total of these reductions comes to 84,802,971 ecus and brings the total amount of transfers to 763,226,691 ecus. The insufficiency of available resources in relation to this total comes to 433,226,691 ecus.

This situation was the subject of a report (SEC(93)1109) which the Commission sent to the ACP-EEC Committee of Ambassadors, which had been authorised by the ACP-EEC Council of Ministers (Brussels, 17 & 18 May 1993) to take all appropriate decisions with a view to remedying the problem posed by the insufficiency of available resources.

The Commission, in conformity with Article 207, para. 3 of the Convention, which prescribes that transfer decisions must be taken before the 31st July following each exercise, took a decision, on 22-7-1993, on the transfers for the 1992 application year, on the basis of the ordinary resources available and, on a conditional basis, subject to agreement of the ACP-EEC Committee of Ambassadors concerning possible additional resources.

The ACP-EEC Committee of Ambassadors, on 23-7-1993, examined the report prepared by the Commission. The parties were unable however to come to an agreement, the position of the Community being that it was not necessary to add additional resources to the resources ordinarily available (330 million ecus, ensuring a coverage rate of 43 %) and the ACP States believing for their part that the Community offer is not acceptable, and that it is necessary to proceed with further negotiations.

In these circumstances, it was not possible for the Commission to announce the transfers for the 1992 application year (Article 207 of the Convention). For information, the list of transfers for 1992 based on the ordinary resources available (330 million ecus) is attached in annex to the present report. This list evidently does not prejudge the definitive transfer amounts, which will depend on the outcome of later negotiations between the ACP States and the Community.

Country	Product	Transfer basis after Art. 203 reductions	Reductions		Transfers from Stabex resources	Stabex res. by country
			(i) Art.194(2) (10 % T.B.)	(ii) Art.194(4)		
Sudan	Groundnut prod	609,966	60,997	311,608	237,361	28,354,606
	Cotton prod.	63,250,116	6,325,012	32,312,123	24,612,981	
	Gum arabic	9,005,213	900,521	4,600,427	3,504,265	
Mauritania	Squid/octopus	2,121,146	212,115	1,083,614	825,417	825,417
Burkina Faso	Hides & Skins	2,013,448	201,345	1,028,595	783,508	1,576,270
	Cotton	2,037,230	203,723	1,040,745	792,762	
Senegal	Groundnut prod	23,658,401	2,365,840	12,086,194	9,206,367	9,206,367
Guinea-Bissau	Cotton	185,362	18,536	94,695	72,131	394,579
	Palm prod	466,809	46,681	238,475	181,653	
	Shrimps	361,812	36,181	184,836	140,795	
Sierra Leone	Coffee	4,354,414	435,441	2,224,508	1,694,465	2,331,063
	Cocoa	1,635,921	163,592	835,731	636,598	
Côte d'Ivoire	Coffee prod.	119,739,266	11,973,927	61,170,321	46,595,018	53,786,386
	Cotton	18,480,282	1,848,028	9,440,886	7,191,368	
Ghana	Cocoa prod.	12,550,125	1,255,013	6,411,390	4,883,722	4,883,722
Togo	Cocoa	2,789,621	278,962	1,425,113	1,085,546	3,078,909
	Coffee	4,420,966	442,097	2,258,506	1,720,363	
	Cotton	701,554	70,155	358,398	273,001	
Cameroon	Cocoa prod.	67,765,117	6,776,512	34,618,668	26,369,937	47,906,403
	Coffee	55,344,128	5,534,413	28,273,249	21,536,466	
C.A.R.	Coffee	4,762,282	476,228	2,432,872	1,853,182	2,273,773
	Cotton	1,080,830	108,083	552,156	420,591	
Equ. Guinea	Cocoa	3,908,636	390,864	1,996,776	1,520,996	1,520,996
Sao Tome/Prin.	Cocoa	2,035,215	203,522	1,039,715	791,978	791,978
Rwanda	Coffee	34,487,263	3,448,726	17,618,255	13,420,282	14,322,300
	Hides & Skins	2,184,304	218,430	1,115,880	849,994	
	Pyrethrum	133,691	13,369	68,298	52,024	
Burundi	Coffee	23,226,831	2,322,683	11,865,721	9,038,427	9,365,190
	Hides/Skins	839,712	83,971	428,978	326,763	
Ethiopia	Coffee	91,734,520	9,173,452	46,863,742	35,697,326	40,897,897
	Hides & Skins	13,364,358	1,336,436	6,827,351	5,200,571	
Kenya	Coffee	42,291,261	4,229,126	21,605,027	16,457,108	16,739,704
	Tea	726,211	72,621	370,994	282,596	
Uganda	Coffee	58,457,851	5,845,785	29,863,934	22,748,132	24,338,606
	Hides/Skins	4,087,180	408,718	2,087,988	1,590,474	
Tanzania	Coffee	32,195,890	3,219,589	16,447,678	12,528,623	13,594,322
	Cotton	2,266,370	226,637	1,157,804	881,929	
	Cloves	472,250	47,225	241,255	183,770	
Mozambique	Cashewnuts	1,425,997	142,600	728,488	554,909	554,909
Madagascar	Coffee	23,343,925	2,334,393	11,925,539	9,083,993	9,980,228
	Vanilla	1,024,208	102,421	523,229	398,558	
	Cloves	1,278,925	127,893	653,355	497,677	
Comoros	Cloves	2,104,227	210,423	1,074,971	818,833	880,692
	Essential oils	158,964	15,896	81,209	61,859	
Lesotho	Wool	2,443,777	244,378	1,248,434	950,965	950,965
Zimbabwe	Coffee	6,408,566	640,857	3,273,897	2,493,812	15,280,519
	Cotton	32,859,110	3,285,911	16,786,493	12,786,706	
Haïti	Coffee	10,012,138	1,001,214	5,114,827	3,896,097	3,971,855
	Cocoa	194,682	19,468	99,456	75,758	
Dominica	Bananas	3,150,108	315,011	1,609,272	1,225,825	1,225,825
St Lucia	Bananas	1,871,815	187,182	956,240	728,393	728,393
Grenada	Cocoa	417,000	41,700	213,030	162,270	2,406,427
	Bananas	1,487,075	148,708	759,691	578,676	
	Nutmeg & Mace	4,279,930	427,993	2,186,456	1,665,481	
P.N.G.	Cocoa prod.	12,014,675	1,201,468	6,137,848	4,675,359	17,411,509
	Coffee	32,729,191	3,272,919	16,720,122	12,736,150	
Solomon Islands	Cocoa	105,560	10,556	53,927	41,077	41,077
Vanuatu	Copra	687,000	68,700	350,963	267,337	267,337
Tonga	Copra prod.	261,491	26,149	133,586	101,756	111,775
	Vanilla	25,746	2,575	13,152	10,019	
		848,029,662	84,802,971	433,226,691	330,000,000	330,000,000