COMMISSION OF THE EUROPEAN COMMUNITIES

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Proposal for a COUNCIL REGULATION (EEC)

amending Regulations (EEC) Nos 337/79, 338/79 and 358/79 concerning the common organization of the market in wine

(submitted to the Council by the Commission)

EXPLANATORY MEMORANDUM

This proposal for a Council Regulation is intended to enact the adaptations to Council Regulations in the wine sector which are required as a result of Greek accession. Some of these adaptations have not been set out in Annex I of the Act concerning the conditions of accession while some others, which are defined in that Annex, are no longer possible on account of amendments which have been made since the Act was signed.

It is therefore proposed to make the following amendments:

- 1. Regulation (EEC) No 337/79¹ has been amended by Regulation (EEC) No 453/80² and Regulation (EEC) No 454/80³. Accordingly, the amendments provided for to Article 30 and Article 40 of that Regulation should be made to Article 31 and Article 40 in its existing form.
- 2. Regulation (EEC) No 1989/80⁴ introduced wine-growing zones C III a and C III b in place of zone C III. These amendments must also be made to Regulation (EEC) No 338/79⁵ and to Regulation (EEC) No 358/79⁶.

Adoption of this proposed Regulation has no repercussions on the Community budget.

¹ OJ No. L 54, 5.3.1979, p. 1

² OJ No L 57, 29.2.1980, p. 1

³ OJ No L 57, 29.2.1980, p. 7

⁴ OJ No L 195, 29.7.1980, p. 3

⁵ OJ No L 54, 5.3.1979, p. 48

⁶ OJ No L 54, 5.3.1979, p. 130

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THE COUNCIL OF THE EUROPEAN COMMUNITIES,

Having regard to the Treaty establishing the European Economic Community,

Having regard to the Act of Accession of Greece, and in particular Article 146 thereof,

Having regard to the proposal from the Commission,

Whereas, since the Act of Accession was signed, Council Regulation (EEC) No 337/79 of 5 February 1979 on the common organisation of the market in wine has been amended, in particular by Regulation (EEC) No 453/80² and by Regulation (EEC) No 454/80³;

Whereas the amendments provided for in Annex I to the Act of Accession to Article 30(3) (a) and to the first indent of Article 40 (2) of Regulation (EEC) No 337/79 must be held to refer to the provisions of Article 31(3) and Article 40(2) in their existing form;

Whereas Council Regulation (EEC) No 1989/80 of 22 July 1980 , amending Regulation (EEC) No 337/794, introduced wine-growing zones C III (a) and C III(b) in place of zone C III;

 $^{^{1}}_{0}$ OJ No L 54 , 5.3.1979, p. 1

²⁰J No L 57, 29.2.1980, p. 1 70J No L 57, 29.2.1980, p. 7

OJ No L 195, 22.7.1980, p. 3

Whereas this amendment should be incorporated in Article 7 of Council Regulation (EEC) No 338/79 of 5 February 1979 laying down special provisions relating to quality wines produced in specified regions and in Article 5 of Council Regulati (EEC) NO 358/79 of 5 February 1979 on sparkling wines produced in the Community and defined in Item 13 of Annex II to Regulation (EEC) No 337/79,

HAS ADOPTED THIS REGULATION:

Article 1

- 1. Regulation (EEC) No 337/79 is hereby ameneded as follows:
 - a) The following sentence is added to Article 31(3)(a):
 - "For Greece, the above deadlines shall be extended to 31 December 1984"
 - b) The first indent of Article 40 (2) is replaced by the following text:

 "- whose vineyards are situated in the Italian and Greek sections of wine-growing zones C and for whom the additional rate to be fixed shall not be higher than 2%".
- 2. Regulation (EEC) No 338/79 is hereby amended as follows:
 in Article 7(2), the expression"in zone C III" is replaced by the expression
 "in zones C III(a) and C III(b)."
 - Regulation (EEC) No 358/79 is hereby amended as follows: in the third indent of Article 5 (1)(d), the expression "or C III" is replaced by the expression "C III (a) or C III(b)".

Article 2

This Regulation shall enter into force on 1 January 1981.

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

Done at Brussels,

For the Council

⁵ OJ No 54, 5.3.1979, p. 48

⁶ OJ No 54, 5.3.1979, p. 130