

COMMISSION OF THE EUROPEAN COMMUNITIES

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COMMUNICATION FROM THE COMMISSION TO THE COUNCIL

regarding additional emergency food aid to Guinea Bissau
and Cape Verde Islands

Proposal for a

REGULATION (EEC) OF THE COUNCIL

on the supply of skimmed milk powder as food aid to
Guinea Bissau and Cape Verde Islands under Regulation
(EEC) No 3236/74

A. GUINEA BISSAU

1. An urgent request for further food aid has been received from the government of Guinea Bissau, to supplement aid already granted this year by the EEC⁽¹⁾ and other donors.

2. Needs for food aid in cereals for June/December 1975 are estimated in the request at some 23.000 tons, mainly rice. This would be consistent with a monthly requirement of 10 kg by an estimated population of 600 000 ⁽²⁾, after taking into account planned food aid deliveries. According to information from the World Food Programme (WFP), 8 000 tons of the total rice requirement are needed with extreme urgency.

3. Milk products requirements are given as 300 tons powdered milk and 500 tons condensed milk. This appears conservative if one takes the normal basis of 30 g/person/day, even after considering aid deliveries in progress from WFP and EEC.

4. The Commission therefore proposes the grant to Guinea Bissau of 2 500 tons cereals and 250 tons skimmed milk powder, for delivery cif. As with the earlier grant, the aid would be partly distributed free and partly sold on the market, the proportions to be negotiated.

5. The quantities would be taken from the Sahel reserves set up under the 1975 cereals and milkpowder aid programs. No supplementary expense is incurred since the cost is chargeable to existing appropriations in the 1975 budget. A financial annex is attached.

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(1) 3 000 tons cereals, 250 tons milkpowder, 350 tons butteroil, delivered cif. (OJ L 78 of 27.3.75).

(2) excluding 150 000 refugees from neighbouring countries.

B. CAPE VERDE ISLANDS

1. The request from Guinea Bissau referred also to the Cape Verde Islands, now independent since 5 July 1975.

2. According to WFP, minimum annual needs in cereals can be calculated at some 17 500 tons maize and 2 000 tons rice, assuming a population of 300 000 including 90 000 children, and an average consumption of only 5 1/2 kg/month. Imports in recent years have been much higher, reaching 50 000 tons in 1974. It is clear in any case that a large deficit remains, even after taking into account planned and known food aid deliveries⁽¹⁾.

3. Milk requirements are estimated by the authorities at 200 tons milkpowder and 300 tons condensed milk, for June/December 1975. This also appears very conservative.

4. In view of the above, the Commission proposes the grant to the Cape Verde Islands of 1 500 tons cereals and 150 tons skimmed milk powder, delivered cif, with part to be distributed free and part to be sold on the market.

5. The quantities would be taken from the Sahel reserves in the 1975 food aid programs, and the cost charged to existing appropriations in the 1975 budget.

C. DECISIONS PROPOSED

The Commission proposes that the Council :

1. Decide to grant as food aid, for delivery cif,
 - a) to Guinea Bissau 2 500 tons cereals and 250 tons skimmed milk powder;
 - b) to Cape Verde Islands 1 500 tons cereals and 150 tons skimmed milk powder.

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(1) EEC food aid : 2 500 tons cereals, 150 tons skimmed milk powder, 100 tons butteroil, delivered cif (OJ L 78 of 27.3.75).

2. Adopt in consequence proposed Council Regulation concerning the supply of skimmed milk powder as food aid to Guinea Bissau and Cape Verde Islands under Regulation (EEC)N° 1347/75.

Draft text is attached.

ANNEX I

FINANCIAL ANNEX

I. COST OF OPERATION

a) GUINEA BISSAU

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Cereals

Commodity	2500 t	x	115 ua/t	287 500
Transport	2500 t	x	40 ua/t	100 000

Milkpowder

Commodity	250 t	x	696 ua/t	174 000
Transport	250 t	x	120 ua/t	30 000

591 500

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b) CAPE VERDE ISLANDS

Cereals

Commodity	1500 t	x	115 ua/t	172 500
Transport	1500 t	x	40 ua/t	60 000

Milkpowder

Commodity	150 t	x	696 ua/t	104 400
Transport	150 t	x	170 ua/t	18 000

354 900

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c) TOTAL

946.400

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II. APPROPRIATIONS 1975 BUDGET

Item 9201	Cereals food aid - 1975 program	91,3 Muc
Item 9211	Skimmed milkpowder food aid - 1975 program	42,9 Muc

ALLOCATION OF QUANTITIES UNDER INTERIM FOOD AID PROGRAMME
FOR SAHEL AND NEIGHBOURING COUNTRIES

A. CEREALS

(1) From 1974 programme :	
Allocated	17 000 t
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(2) From 1975 programme :	
Allocated	22 000 t
Reserve	48 000 t
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	70 000 t
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(3) Present proposals :	
Guinea Bissau	2 500 t
Cape Verde Islands	1 500 t
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	4 000 t
Reserve remaining	44 000 t
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	48 000 t
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B. SKIMMED MILK POWDER

(1) From 1974 programme :	
Allocated	5 000 t
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(2) From 1975 programme :	
Allocated	7 850 t
Reserve	1 150 t
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	9 000 t
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(3) Present proposals :	
Guinea Bissau	250 t
Cape Verde Islands	150 t
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	400 t
Reserve remaining	750 t
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	1 150 t
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NOTE : The above table does not cover

- (a) Butteroil Sahel programme (4 050 t - all from 1974 programme and all allocated)
- (b) The initial tranche of aid to Guinea Bissau and Cape Verde Islands, which was decided separately under the 1975 programmes.

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THE COUNCIL OF THE EUROPEAN COMMUNITIES,

Having regard to the Treaty establishing the European Economic Community;

Having regard to Council Regulation (EEC)N° 804/68⁽¹⁾ of 27 June 1968 on the common organization of the market in milk and milk products, as last amended by Regulation (EEC)N° 740/75⁽²⁾, and in particular Article 7 § 4 thereof;

Having regard to Council Regulation (EEC)N° 3236/74⁽³⁾ of 17 December 1974 laying down general rules for the supply of skimmed milk powder as food aid to Sahel countries and Ethiopia, and in particular Article 1 thereof;

Having regard to the proposal from the Commission;

Whereas Council Regulation (EEC)N° 3236/74⁽³⁾ of 17 December 1974 on the supply of Skimmed milk powder as food aid to Sahel countries and Ethiopia provided for a reserve stock of 1 150 metric tons of skimmed milk powder; whereas part of that stock should be allocated to Guinea Bissau and Cape Verde Islands;

HAS ADOPTED THIS REGULATION :

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(1) OJ N° L 148 of 28.6.68, p. 13.

(2) OJ N° L 74 of 22.3.75, p. 1.

(3) OJ N° L 346 of 24.12.74, p. 4.

Article 1

There shall be made available as food aid to Guinea Bissau 250 metric tons and to Cape Verde Islands 150 metric tons of skimmed milk powder from the reserve stock provided for in Regulation (EEC)N° 3236/74.

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,

For the Council

The President