## COMMISSION OF THE EUROPEAN COMMUNITIES

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# Proposal for a REGULATION (EEC) OF THE COUNCIL

amending the prices applicable in agriculture for the 1974/75 marketing year

(submitted to the Council by the Commission)

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THE COUNCIL OF THE EUROPEAN COMMUNITIES,

Having regard to the Treaty establishing the European Economic Community, and in particular Article 43 thereof;

Having regard to the Treaty concerning the accession of new Member States to the European Economic Community and to the European Atomic Energy Community (1), signed at Brussels on 22 January 1972, and in particular Article 54(4) of the Act (2) annexed thereto;

Having regard to the proposal from the Commission;

Having regard to the Opinion of the European Parliament;

Whereas since the Council's decisions on the common prices for the 1974/75marketing year were taken in March 1974 events have occurred with serious economic implications for agriculture; whereas, on the one hand, this sector was faced with a sudden unprecedented increase in the prices of certain important inputs; whereas this sharp rise in production costs is worsening the effect of overall inflation on agriculture; whereas, on the other hand, farmers were not able to increase market prices so as to cover the rise in production costs; whereas for cattle and pig breeders there has even been a marked fall in market prices; whereas for other products such as common wheat, feed grains and sugar agricultural producers were not able to take advantage of the very high prices on the world market because the Community, motivated by the concern to ensure the stability of the internal markets and to guarantee adequate supplies, considered it undesirable to allow the high prices for these products on the world market to be reflected in the level of prices within the Community;

Whereas this situation has given rise to serious difficulties throughout agriculture both by reason of its immediate effect on farmers' incomes and

<sup>(1)</sup> OJ No L 73, 27.3.1972, p. 5 (2) OJ No L 73, 27.3.1972, p. 14

because of the unfavourable outlook for the near future; whereas in the current economic situation farmers are no longer able to pass on in market prices the considerable rise in production costs; whereas this situation calls for exceptional measures in the field of pricing policy;

Whereas it appears appropriate to raise agricultural prices by 4% all round with effect from the 1974/75 marketing year or for the remainder of that year; whereas it is necessary, however, to be able to take into account the special situation of certain products; whereas milk in the United Kingdom raises a particular problem by reason of Article 4 of Council Regulation (EEC) No. 749/73 (3) of 19 March 1973 on production subsidies which the United Kingdom is authorized to retain in respect of certain agricultural products; whereas this provision would prevent the desired increase in prices from benefiting producers;

HAS ADOPTED THIS REGULATION:

#### Artiole l

- 1. For the 1974/75 marketing year or, as regards those products for which it has already begun, for the remainder of that year, prices and amounts shall be fixed as shown in the Annex.
  - However, as regards wine, the prices shown in the Annex shall apply for the period from 16 December 1974 to 15 December 1975.
- 2. The guide prices, intervention prices and Community producer price fixed for fishery products for 1974 shall be increased by 4%.
- 3. As regards fruit and vegetables, the basic prices and buying-in prices shall be altered so as to increase the withdrawal price by 4%.
- 4. The norm prices and intervention prices valid for tobacco from the 1974 harvest shall be increased by an average of 4% depending on variety.

<sup>(3)</sup> OJ No L 72, 20.3.1973, p. 1

#### Article 2

Article 4(2) of Regulation (EEC) No. 749/73 shall cease to apply for the remainder of the 1974/75 milk year.

#### Article 3

Detailed rules for the application of Articles 1 and 2 and the alterations to be made under the provisions of this Regulation to the other prices and amounts fixed within the framework of the common agricultural policy shall, to the extent necessary in order to take account of the provisions of this Regulation and, where appropriate, by derogation from the normal rules for fixing, be adopted in accordance with the procedure laid down in Article 26 of Council Regulation No. 120/67/EEC (4) of 13 June 1967 on the common organization of the market in cereals, as last amended by Regulation (EEC) No. 1996/74 (2), or in the corresponding Articles of the other Regulations on the common organization of agricultural markets, whichever is appropriate.

#### Article 4

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

It shall take effect on 1 October 1974.

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

Done at Brussels,

For the Council
The President

<sup>(4)</sup> OJ No 117, 19.6.1967, p. 2269/67

## ANNEX

#### A. Common prices

| Products     | Nature of price or amount   | Amounts   |  |
|--------------|---|---|--|
| (1)          | (2)   | (3)   |  |
| Durum wheat  | Target price Single intervention price (surplus region) Guaranteed minimum producer price (wholesale stage)     | 190.14 u.a./t<br>173.50 u.a./t<br>203.50 u.a./t               |  |
| Common wheat | Target price<br>Basic intervention price  | 126.71 u.a./t<br>112.01 u.a./t                                |  |
| Barley       | Target price Single intervention price (surplus region)   | 114.97 u.a./t<br>112.01 u.a./t                                |  |
| Rye          | Target price Single intervention price (surplus region)   | 123.80 u.a./t<br>105.91 u.a./t                                |  |
| Maize        | Target price Single intervention price (surplus region)   | 113.83 u.a./t<br>93.13 u.a./t                                 |  |
| Rice         | Target price for hisked rice Intervention price for paddy rice  | 23.50 u.a./100 kg<br>14.20 u.a./100 kg                        |  |
| Sugar        | Minimum price for beet Half-lean price for beet Target price for white sugar Intervention price for white sugar | 19.59 u.a./t<br>-<br>27.61 u.a./100 kg<br>26.23 u.a./100 kg   |  |
| Olive oil    | Producer target price Market target price Intervention price  | 142.65 u.a./100 kg<br>100.50 u.a./100 kg<br>93.25 u.a./100 kg |  |

| Products  | Nature of price or amount   |   |  |
|---|---|---|--|
| (1)   | (2)   | . (3)   |  |
| Oil seeds   | Target price : Colza and rape seeds : Sunflower seeds  Norm price : Soya beans  Basic intervention price : Colza and rape seeds : Sunflower seeds | 22.80 u.a./100 kg<br>23.45 u.a./100 kg<br>23.10 u.a./100 kg<br>22.10 u.a./100 kg<br>22.75 u.a./100 kg |  |
| Dried fodder  | Standard aid  | 6.25 u.a./t   |  |
| Cotton seeds  | Standard aid  | 86.95 u.a./ha   |  |
| Flax and hemp   | Standard aid<br>: Flax<br>: Hemp  | 166.95 u.a./ha<br>140.40 u.a./ha  |  |
| Table: type R I Wine type R II type R III type A I type A II type A III | Guide price (per degree/hl or per hl, depending on type)  | 1.68 perdegree/hl 1.64 " degree/hl 26.32 " hl 1.58 " degree/hl 35.09 " hl 40.06 " hl                  |  |

| Products      | Nature of price or amount  | Amounts  |  |
|---------------|--|--|--|
| (1)           | (2)  | (3)  |  |
| Milk          | Target price for milk  Intervention price : for butter : for skimmed milk powder : for cheese - Grana Padano 30 - 60 days - Grana Padano 6 months - Parmigiano-Reggiano 6 months | 13.95 u.a./100 kg  182.00 u.a./100 kg  82.00 u.a./100 kg  181.50 u.a./100 kg  212.90 u.a./100 kg  229.90 u.a./100 kg |  |
| Beef and veal | Guide price for adult bovine animals Guide price for calves  | 100.00 u.a./100 kg<br>live weight<br>117.00 u.a./100 kg<br>live weight   |  |
| Pigmeat       | Basic price  | 97.00 u.a./100 kg<br>slaughtered weight  |  |
| Silk-worms    | Aid per box of silk-worm eggs  | 32.85 per box  |  |

### B. Separate prices and amounts for the new Member States

| Product       | Member State                         | Nature of amount  | Amount  |
|---------------|--------------------------------------|---|---|
| (1)           | (2)                                  | (3)   | (4)   |
| Flax          | United Kingdom                       | Aid   | 95.70 u.a./ha   |
| Butter        | United Kingdom<br>Dermark<br>Ireland | Intervention price  | 108.10 u.a./100 kg<br>178.26 u.a./100 kg<br>168.96 u.a./100 kg  |
| Beef and veal | United Kingdom and Ireland           | <ul> <li>Guide price for adult</li> <li>bovine animals</li> <li>Guide price for calves</li> </ul> | 85.50 u.a./100 kg live weight<br>100.00 u.a./100 kg live weight |