

COMMISSION OF THE EUROPEAN COMMUNITIES

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COMMUNICATION FROM THE COMMISSION

TO THE COUNCIL

ON EMERGENCY FOOD AID FOR

DISPLACED PERSONS IN CYPRUS

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1. In view of the dramatic situation in which displaced persons in Cyprus find themselves and following the appeals made by President Clerides and the United Nations, the Commission considers that the Community should take a decision to grant additional aid to Cyprus to supplement the normal aid allocated to that country in March 1974 (5 000 metric tons of wheat and 250 metric tons of butteroil to be delivered fob).

2. Moreover, the Cypriot Government wants this normal aid, which will be delivered as soon as possible at its request, to be used - as initially planned - to promote economic progress (by selling food on the local market and using the proceeds to finance a development project). It is therefore asking the Community to make an additional effort to meet the needs of displaced persons.

3. In these circumstances, and in view of the present degree of utilization of the reserves provided for in the 1973/74 programmes (see Annex I), it is proposed that the Council decide, in addition to the measure adopted by the Commission on 29 August 1974 to send 50 metric tons of skimmed milk powder via the International Committee of the Red Cross, to supply emergency food aid in the form of:

- 3 000 metric tons of cereals
- 200 metric tons of skimmed milk powder
- 200 metric tons of butteroil.

These quantities worth approximately 906 000 u.a.¹, represent approximately one month's requirements for 190 000 persons² (see Annex II). The aid would be delivered fob and sent via the Office of the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees (UNHCR), which has been made responsible by the Secretary-General for coordinating the aid measures³.

¹About 951 000 u.a. if the 50 metric tons of skimmed milk powder supplied via the ICRC is added.

²Figure notified by the International Committee of the Red Cross.

³The exact nature of the cereals to be supplied (wheat, wheat flour, rice, etc.) would be determined in negotiations with the UNHCR.

4. In view of the urgency, these measures should be implemented "in advance", that is on completion of the negotiations with the UNHCR, while the agreement would be signed later.

5. To sum up, the Council is requested:

- (i) to approve the allocation of 3 000 metric tons of cereals to be delivered fob to the UNCHR for free distribution to displaced persons in Cyprus, this quantity being set off against the reserve under the 1973/74 programme, and to authorize advance implementation of this measure;
- (ii) to approve, as regards skimmed milk powder and butteroil, the proposals for regulations and negotiating directives annexed to this document.

ANNEX I

DEGREE OF UTILIZATION AT 27 AUGUST 1974 OF THE RESERVES PROVIDED
FOR IN THE 1973/74 FOOD AID PROGRAMMES

	Metric tons		
	Cereals	Skimmed milk powder	Butteroil
A. Quantities placed in reserve	54 500	6 000	4 400
B. Allocations authorized by the Council	30 000 fob (India) 4 500 delivery destination (Rwanda)		
C. Allocations proposed	10 000 delivery destination (Sahel)	5 000 delivery destination (Sahel, Ethiopia)	2 000 delivery destination (Sahel, Ethiopia)
Remaining quantities available			
A - (B + C)	10 000	1 000	2 400

QUANTITIES REQUIRED TO
FEED 190 000 PERSONS¹
FOR ONE MONTH

	<u>Monthly ration per</u> <u>person</u>	<u>Total</u> <u>quantities</u>
Cereals	15 kg	approx. 3 000 metric tons
Milk	900 gm	approx. 200 metric tons
Butteroil	900 gm	approx. 200 metric tons

¹Figure notified by the ICRC

Proposal for a
Council Regulation (EEC)

laying down general rules for the supply of milk fats to the Office of the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees as food aid for distribution to displaced persons in Cyprus

THE COUNCIL OF THE EUROPEAN COMMUNITIES,

Having regard to the Treaty establishing the European Economic Community;

Having regard to Council Regulation (EEC) No 804/68 of 27 June 1968 on the common organization of the market in milk and milk products¹, as last amended by Regulation (EEC) No 662/74², and in particular Article 6(6) thereof;

Having regard to the proposal from the Commission;

Whereas Council Regulation (EEC) No 530/74 of 4 March 1974 laying down general rules for the supply of milk fats as food aid to certain developing countries and certain international organizations³ provided for a reserve of 4 400 metric tons of butteroil, to be allocated subsequently;

Whereas following the events in Cyprus, there are a large number of displaced persons who are critically short of food; whereas a contribution must be made to improve this situation by the supply to fas or a corresponding stage of food aid in the form of 200 metric tons of butteroil; whereas the Office of the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees is prepared to provide for transportation of this aid from the Community; whereas because of the urgency of the situation, recourse must be had to contracts by mutual agreement for the manufacture of the butteroil and for its delivery to fas or a corresponding stage;

¹OJ No L 148, 28 June 1968, p. 13.

²OJ No L 85, 29 March 1974, p. 51.

³OJ No L 65, 7 March 1974, p. 1.

HAS ADOPTED THIS REGULATION:

Article 1

Butter held by the intervention agencies, delivered in the form of 200 metric tons of butteroil, shall be made available to the Office of the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees as food aid for distribution to displaced persons in Cyprus. This quantity forms part of the reserve of 4 400 metric tons provided for by Regulation (EEC) No 530/74.

Article 2

For the processing of the butter into butteroil, packaging and shipment of the butteroil ex-factory to fas or a corresponding stage, contracts by mutual agreement shall be negotiated.

Article 3

The sums payable to the undertaking chosen shall be due only if:

(a) the undertaking has satisfied the conditions laid down in the contract by mutual agreement;

and

(b) the quality and packing of the product delivered are found on inspection to comply with the relevant Community provisions.

Provision may be made for partial advance payment of such sums.

Article 4

Details rules for the application of this Regulation, and in particular for making available the quantities of butter in question, shall be determined in accordance with the procedure laid down in Article 30 of Regulation (EEC) No 804/68.

Article 5

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.

Proposal for a
Council Regulation (EEC)

on the supply of skimmed milk powder to the Office of the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees as food aid for distribution to displaced persons in Cyprus

THE COUNCIL OF THE EUROPEAN COMMUNITIES,

Having regard to the Treaty establishing the European Economic Community;

Having regard to Council Regulation (EEC) No 1826/74 of 11 July 1974 laying down the general rules for the supply of skimmed milk powder as food aid to certain developing countries and international organizations¹, and in particular Article 8 thereof;

Having regard to the proposal from the Commission;

Whereas Council Regulation (EEC) No 1826/74 provides for the supply of 41 000 metric tons of skimmed milk powder as food aid to certain developing countries and international organizations;

Whereas Council Regulation (EEC) No 1827/74 of 11 July 1974 on the supply of skimmed milk powder as food aid to certain developing countries and international organizations² provides for a reserve of 6 000 metric tons of skimmed milk powder;

Whereas following the events in Cyprus, there are a large number of displaced persons who are critically short of food; whereas a contribution must be made to improve this situation by the supply to fob or a corresponding stage of food aid in the form of 200 metric tons of skimmed milk powder; whereas the Office of the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees is prepared to provide for transportation of this aid from the Community,

¹OJ No L 190, 13 July 1974, p. 20.

²OJ No L 190, 13 July 1974, p. 22.

HAS ADOPTED THIS REGULATION:

Article 1

Of the 6 000 metric tons of skimmed milk powder constituting the reserve provided for by Regulation (EEC) No 1827/74, 200 metric tons shall be allocated to the Office of the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees, for distribution to displaced persons in Cyprus.

Article 2

The 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

proposal for a

Council Decision

authorizing the Commission to negotiate an agreement
between the European Economic Community and the
Office of the United Nations
High Commissioner for Refugees
for the supply of food aid in the form of
butteroil and skimmed milk powder for distribution to displaced
persons in Cyprus and concerning the advance
implementation of the negotiated agreement

THE COUNCIL OF THE EUROPEAN COMMUNITIES,

Having regard to the Treaty establishing the European Economic Community,
and in particular Articles 113, 114 and 228 thereof;

Having regard to the proposal from the Commission;

Whereas following the events in Cyprus, 200 metric tons of butteroil and
200 metric tons of skimmed milk powder should be allocated to the Office of
the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees as food aid for distribution
to displaced persons in Cyprus; whereas the Commission should be authorized
to negotiate the supply agreement with this body;

Whereas in view of the urgency, the Commission should be authorized to implement this measure on completion of the negotiations;

HAS DECIDED AS FOLLOWS:

Article 1

The Commission shall be authorized to negotiate an agreement, on behalf of the European Economic Community, with the Office of the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees for the supply of food aid in the form of butteroil and skimmed milk powder for distribution to displaced persons in Cyprus. It shall conduct these negotiations in accordance with the provisions of Council Regulation (EEC) No 1826/74 of 11 July 1974 laying down the general rules for the supply of skimmed milk powder as food aid to certain developing countries and international organizations¹, of Council Regulation (EEC) No on the supply of skimmed milk powder to the Office of the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees as food aid for distribution to displaced persons in Cyprus², of Council Regulation (EEC) No 530/74 of 4 March 1974 laying down general rules for the supply of milk fats as food aid to certain developing countries and certain international organizations³, and of Council Regulation (EEC) No laying down general rules for the supply of milk fats to the Office of the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees as food aid for distribution to displaced persons in Cyprus⁴.

Article 2

The Commission may implement the supply arrangements as soon as the negotiations are completed.

Done at
For the Council
The President

¹OJ No L 190, 13 July 1974, p. 20.

²OJ No

³OJ No L 65/1, 7 March 1974.

⁴OJ No