

PRESS RELEASE

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- Agriculture -

Brussels, 12 and 13 December 1977

Presidents: Mr Antoine HUMBLET,
Minister for Agriculture and
for Small Firms and Trades
of the Kingdom of Belgium
and
Mr Poul DALSGER,
Minister for Agriculture
of the Kingdom of Denmark

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The Governments of the Member States and the Commission of the European Communities were represented as follows:

Belgium:

Mr Antoine HUMBLET Minister of Agriculture and
Small Firms and Trades

Denmark:

Mr Poul DALSGER Minister of Agriculture
Mr Hans Jørgen KRISTENSEN State Secretary,
Ministry of Agriculture

Germany:

Mr Hans-Jürgen ROHR State Secretary,
Federal Ministry of Agriculture

France:

Mr Pierre MEHAIGNERIE Minister of Agriculture
Mr Jacques BLANC State Secretary,
Ministry of Agriculture

Ireland:

Mr Jim GIBBONS Minister of Agriculture

Italy:

Mr Giovanni MARCORA Minister of Agriculture
Mr Ferdinando RUSSO Under-Secretary of State,
Ministry of Health

Luxembourg:

Mr Jean HAMILIUS Minister of Agriculture
Mr Albert BERCHEM State Secretary,
 Ministry of Agriculture

Netherlands:

Mr A.P.L.M.M. VAN DER STEE Minister of Agriculture and
 Fisheries

United Kingdom:

Mr John SILKIN Minister of Agriculture,
 Fisheries and Food
Mr Gavin STRANG Parliamentary Under Secretary
 of State,
 Ministry of Agriculture,
 Fisheries and Food

The Commission:

Mr Finn Olav GUNDELACH Vice-President

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1978 PRICE REVIEW

The Council heard an introductory statement by Mr GUNDELACH, Vice-President of the Commission, who submitted the Commission's proposals for the 1978 agricultural prices and for certain ancillary measures. The Council noted in this connection that the Commission reserved the right to make further proposals - particularly with regard to certain agri-monetary measures - when the Council discussed the subject at a later date.

Members of the Council were asked to give their initial reactions to the approach adopted by the Commission in its proposals and to certain specific aspects of the proposals.

The Council said it was grateful to the Commission for submitting its proposals sufficiently early to enable the Council to prepare the ground adequately for the complex decisions to be taken. The Council agreed to forward the Commission's proposals to the European Parliament and the Economic and Social Committee for their Opinions; it instructed the Special Committee on Agriculture to commence its technical examination of the dossier without delay so that the Council could discuss at its forthcoming meetings.

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DEVELOPMENT OF MEDITERRANEAN REGIONS

The Council heard a statement by Mr GUNDELACH by way of introduction to the Commission communication on the guidelines for the development of the Community Mediterranean regions which was accompanied by measures in the agricultural sector.

In his statement Mr GUNDELACH emphasized particularly that the measures proposed -- which concerned regional policy, structural adjustments and the improvement of the market organization machinery -- were designed to help make Mediterranean agriculture more competitive with agricultural production both in other Community regions and in third countries, while avoiding increased protectionism and the creation of new structural surpluses.

After hearing this statement the members of the Council gave their first general reactions to the proposals; they stressed the need to expedite work in this field, on the basis of the practical proposals which the Commission would be submitting.

The Council instructed the Special Committee on Agriculture to prepare its future discussions.

WINE SECTOR

The Council held an exchange of views on the Commission report on the application of the reference price to certain liqueur wines (on the basis of Article 9(3) of Regulation 816/70 laying down additional provisions for the common organization of the market in wine).

Discussion centred on the level of the reference price and on the application, from 1 January 1978, of the countervailing charge to certain quality liqueur wines from third countries.

Since decisions concerning this matter are taken by the Commission under Management Committee procedure, the Council took note of the report and requested the Commission to bear in mind the various points made during the day's discussions, in particular the idea that the relevant provisions of the basic wine regulation should be applied as soon as possible.

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The Council also discussed matters connected with the financing of the current vine conversion programme beyond 1 January 1978.

In this connection the Council adopted the following Resolution:

"With a view to avoiding an interruption in aid from the Guidance Section of the European Agricultural Guidance and Guarantee Fund (EAGGF) in favour of projects aimed at the improvement of the basic structure of areas under vines in Languedoc-Roussillon, the Council, in examining the relevant Commission proposals, shall decide on the necessary measures so that those projects for the improvement of areas under vines which were up to now eligible for EAGGF aid in this region and are introduced in respect of the year 1978, can benefit from EAGGF, Guidance Section aid."

The formal decision on financing will be taken as soon as possible once the opinion requested of the European Parliament has been received.

VETERINARY MATTERS

The Council agreed to three Directives on veterinary matters.

The first Directive makes some amendments to the ban on the use of the Spinchiller process for chilling fowl carcasses and allows the use of the counter-flow process. Provision is, however, made for some derogations up to 15 August 1982 for establishments in operation on 1 January 1978, provided that the carcasses they produce are intended for the home market.

The second Directive establishes Community criteria for national plans for the accelerated eradication of brucellosis, tuberculosis and enzootic leukosis in cattle.

The third Directive extends to 31 December 1978 the validity of certain derogations in respect of brucellosis and tuberculosis granted to Denmark, Ireland and the United Kingdom.

BEEF AND VEAL

As agreed at its meeting on 7 and 8 November 1977, the Council examined all the decisions to be taken by 31 December 1977 to enable beef and veal to be imported under certain special arrangements in 1978.

The following figures were agreed in the course of this examination:

- 50,000 tonnes as the deficit to be covered by Community imports of meat intended for the processing industry for 1978
- 200,000 head of cattle as the Community's import requirements for 1978 in respect of young male bovine animals weighing 300kg or less, intended for fattening.

The Council also discussed what action to take on the following proposals for Regulations

- on the opening, allocation and administration of a Community tariff quota for frozen beef and veal falling within subheading 02.01 A II b) of the Common Customs Tariff (1978)
- increasing by 8,000 head the Community tariff quota opened for the period from 1 July 1977 to 30 June 1978 for animals of certain mountain breeds
- on levies applicable to imports of certain adult bovine animals and beef from Yugoslavia.

Following this discussion, at the close of which there appeared to be a degree of consensus the Council agreed to act on these proposals as soon as it had received the European Parliament's Opinions.

FRUIT AND VEGETABLES

The Council embarked on an exchange of views on the proposal for a Regulation amending the basic Regulation on fruit and vegetables with a view to granting increased Community preference for certain citrus fruits.

Certain delegations had misgivings about the advisability of discussing the matter at this stage and the Council accordingly instructed the Special Committee on Agriculture to study the technicalities in more detail so that the Council could apply itself to the matter again at its next meeting on agriculture, scheduled for 23 and 24 January 1978.

SALES ON BOARD SHIP

The Council recorded its agreement on the amended Regulation on certain measures to prevent abuses resulting from the sale of agricultural products on board ship.

This amended Regulation lays down, for each product, the maximum quantities which may be covered by a "travellers" exemption, and empowers the Member States to decide whether to authorize this exemption. The Council also agreed to request the Commission to submit to the Management Committee a proposal for a Regulation re-introducing a right to refunds for the products concerned in these cases.

This Regulation will enter into force on 1 February 1978; it will be finalized by the appropriate procedure so that it may be formally adopted at one of the next meetings.

AGRI-MONETARY QUESTIONS

The Council agreed to a 2.5% devaluation of the green rate of the French franc from 1 February 1978. This devaluation will have the effect of increasing agricultural prices expressed in French francs by 2.564% and decreasing the monetary compensatory amounts by 2.9 points.

Furthermore, the Council held a detailed exchange of views on the Commission proposal on the introduction of an automatic system for the progressive dismantling of monetary compensatory amounts, and on the Commission report on the use of the EUA in the common agricultural policy.

At the end of its exchange of views the Council agreed that this important issue would appear on the agenda for its forthcoming meetings. The Special Committee on Agriculture will accordingly continue its study of the various problems involved.

Lastly, the Council noted the agreement of the Member States to the extension until 31 December 1978 of the application of Article 2a of Regulation No 974/71. This provision lays down, in practice, that the monetary compensatory amounts to be granted to imports by Italy and the United Kingdom will continue to be paid by the exporting Member States.

STRUCTURAL POLICY

The Council noted a statement by the Commission representative concerning the four proposals for Directives which the Commission has just forwarded to the Council.

These proposals relate to:

- the modernization of farms;
- an increase in the rate of EAGGF participation in the Directive on mountain and hill farming and farming in certain less-favoured areas;
- measures to encourage the cessation of farming and the re-allocation of utilized agricultural areas for the purposes of structural improvement;
- the programme to accelerate drainage operations in the less-favoured areas of the West of Ireland.

On the same occasion the Commission lodged its second report on the application of the Directives of 17 April 1972 on the reform of agriculture, covering the period up to 31 December 1975.

The exchange of views conducted by the Council enabled the delegations to give their first reactions to those proposals and to the report, and their wishes and more general concern regarding structural policy.

Finally, the Council instructed the Special Committee on Agriculture to prepare its future discussions on the matter.

Agricultural questions

The Council adopted, in the official languages of the Communities,

- the Regulations
 - amending for the second time Regulation (EEC) No 1048/76 laying down general rules for the import of wines, grape juice and grape must;
 - amending for the fourth time Regulation (EEC) No 1876/74 concerning the addition of alcohol to products in the wine sector;
 - amending Regulation (EEC) No 1169/77 in respect of the exchange rates applicable to the 1976 tobacco harvest;
- the Decision concerning employment aid for certain slaughterhouses in Northern Ireland.

MISCELLANEOUS DECISIONS

The Council adopted, in the official languages of the Communities,

- the Regulation totally or partially suspending Common Customs Tariff duties on certain products falling within Chapters 1 to 24 of the Common Customs Tariff, originating in Malta (1978);
- the Directives
 - on the co-ordination of laws, regulations and administrative provisions relating to the taking up and pursuit of the business of credit institutions ⁽¹⁾;
 - on the approximation of the laws of the Member States relating to the colouring matters which may be added to medicinal products;

⁽¹⁾ See Press Release No 1359/77 (Presse 146) of 21 November 1977.

- a Decision amending Decision 75/458/EEC concerning a programme of pilot schemes and studies to combat poverty ⁽¹⁾.

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Following a proposal from the French Government, the Council appointed Mr A. NOE and Mr A. FAUSSAT as members of the Advisory Committee of the Euratom Supply Agency to replace, respectively, resigning members, Mr HOUDAILLE and Mr P. LEONARDI for the remainder of their term of office, which runs until 28 March 1979.

⁽¹⁾ See Press Release No 1240/77 (Presse 135) of 28 October 1977

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PREPARATION CONSEIL AGRICOLE

LES MINISTRES DE L'AGRICULTURE COMMENCERONT LEUR REUNION DE LUNDI ET MARDI PAR UN PREMIER TOUR DE TABLE SUR LES PROPOSITIONS DE PRIX AGRICOLES POUR LA CAMPAGNE 1978/79 ET SUR LES MESURES EN FAVEUR DE L'AGRICULTURE MEDITERRANEEENNE. ILS POURSUIVRONT LE DEBAT SUR LA DEMOBILISATION, EN SEPT ANS, DES MONTANTS COMPENSATOIRES MONETAIRES, PROPOSITION QUI EST ACCEPTABLE POUR LA MAJORITE DES DELEGATIONS. LA GRANDE-BRETAGNE LIE CE DOSSIER A CELUI DE L'INTRODUCTION DE L'UNITE DE COMPTE EUROPEENNE DANS LA POLITIQUE AGRICOLE COMMUNE. CELLE-CI POURRAIT CHANGER L'AMPLEUR DES MCM DES PAYS MEMBRES ET DIMINUER L'EFFORT D'ADAPTATION DEMANDE A LA GRANDE-BRETAGNE. LA R.F.A. POURRAIT ACCEPTER LA PROPOSITION A CONDITION QUE LES ADAPTATIONS NE SOIENT PAS TROP AUTOMATIQUES ET QU'ELLES N'ABOUTISSENT PAS A UNE DIMINUTION DES PRIX AGRICOLES EXPRIMES EN DM. IL N'EST PAS EXCLU QUE LA FRANCE DEMANDE UNE DEVALUATION DE 2,5 0/0 DU FRANC 'VERT' A PARTIR DU 1.2.1978. SI LA COMMISSION PROPOSE UNE TELLE ADAPTATION ET SI LE CONSEIL L'ADOpte, LES MCM FRANCAIS (ACTUELLEMENT DE 16,9 0/0) SERAIENT DIMINUES DE 2,9 POINTS ET LES PRIX GARANTIS EXPRIMES EN FRANCS FRANCAIS AUGMENTES DE 2,6 0/0.

LES MINISTRES DEVRONT PRENDRE PLUSIEURS DECISIONS AU SUJET DES IMPORTATIONS DE VIANDE BOVINE (FIXATION ET REPARTITION DES CONTINGENTS), DES VINS DE LIQUEUR (NIVEAU DU PRIX DE REFERENCE A RESPECTER POUR LES VINS TELS QUE LE CYPRUS SHERRY QUI, JUSQU'ICI, EN ETAIENT EXEMPTES) ET D'AGRUMES (RENFORCEMENT DE LA PROTECTION DE LA PRODUCTION ITALIENNE D'ORANGES, DE MANDARINES ET DE CITRONS PAR UNE AUGMENTATION DU PRIX DE REFERENCE).

LA QUESTION DE LA VENTE DE PRODUITS AGRICOLES A BORD DE BATEAUX (BEURRE, FROMAGE, VIANDE, ETC.) QUI ONT ETE 'EXPORTES' VERS CES BATEAUX AVEC DES RESTITUTIONS POUR ETRE ENSUITE REIMPORTES EN EXEMPTION DE PRELEVEMENTS) POURRAIT ETRE RESOLUE SUR LA BASE D'UN COMPROMIS NEERLANDAIS. CE COMPROMIS PREVOIT LA LIMITATION DES QUANTITES DE PRODUITS POUVANT ETRE IMPORTEES SANS PAIEMENT DU PRELEVEMENT (PAR VOYAGEUR : UN KILO DE BEURRE, DE FROMAGE, DE VIANDE, 2 LITRES DE VIN ET 2 KILOS D'AUTRES PRODUITS AGRICOLES), LA REINTRODUCTION DES RESTITUTIONS A L'EXPORTATION POUR CES PRODUITS (ACTUELLEMENT SUSPENDUS) ET LA REOUVERTURE DU DOSSIER DANS UN OU DEUX ANS.

ENFIN, LES MINISTRES DONNERONT LEURS PREMIERES REACTIONS AUX PROPOSITIONS DE LA COMMISSION EN MATIERE DE MODIFICATION DES DIRECTIVES STRUCTURELLES DE 1972 (VOIR P 114 DE DECEMBRE 1977) ////

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ET ILS DEVRONT RESOUDRE QUELQUES QUESTIONS VETERINAIRES
('SPIN-CHILLER' , ERADICATION D'EPIZOOTIES).

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CONSEIL AGRICOLE

LES PREMIERES REACTIONS DES ETATS MEMBRES AUX PROPOSITIONS DE
PRIX PEUVENT ETRE RESUMEEES COMME SUIV :

ROYAUME-UNI

IL FAUT SUIVRE UNE POLITIQUE DE PRIX TRES PRUDENTE A CAUSE DES
EXCEDENTS ET DE PREFERENCE N'ACCORDER AUCUNE AUGMENTATION POUR
LES CEREALES, LE SUCRE, LES PRODUITS LAITIERS, LES VINS ET LES
FRUITS ET LEGUMES. LES 3 O/O PROPOSES POUR LE PORC SONT BEAU-
COUP TROP ELEVES.

IRLANDE

LES PROPOSITIONS SONT RAISONNABLES BIEN QUE MODEREES. IL FAUDRAIT
METTRE D'AVANTAGE L'ACCENT SUR LA REFORME STRUCTURELLE ET AUGMEN-
TER LA PARTICIPATION FINANCIERE DE LA COMMUNAUTE. OUI POUR LA DE-
MOBILISATION DES MCM. IL FAUDRAIT REALISER LA LIBRE CIRCULATION
DE LA VIANDE OVINE A PARTIR DU 1.1.1978.

FRANCE

LES PROPOSITIONS SONT ACCEPTABLES A LA CONDITION QUE LES CHIFFRES
DE LA COMMISSION SOIENT AUGMENTES PAR LE BIAIS D'UNE ADAPTATION
DES MCM (TOUT LE SYSTEME DES MCM ETANT A REVOIR) ET QUE LA DIMI-
NUTION DU QUOTA B POUR LE SUCRE NE SOIT PAS REALISEE 'AUSI
BRUTALEMENT' QUE LE PROPOSE LA COMMISSION.

ITALIE

LE PROBLEME FONDAMENTAL EST L'DESEQUILIBRE NORD-SUD : 50 O/O
DES DEPENSES DU FEOPA SONT EN FAVEUR DES PRODUITS 'NORDIQUES'
COMME LE LAIT ET LES CEREALES. LES EXCEDENTS LAITIERS POURRAIENT
ETRE SUPPRIMES PAR L'INTRODUCTION DE QUOTAS NATIONAUX DE PRODUC-
TION.

R.F.A.

IL N'Y A PAS ENCORE ICI DE REACTIONS QUANT AU NIVEAU DES PRIX
MAIS CE PAYS SERA PROBABLEMENT EN FAVEUR D'UNE POLITIQUE DE PRIX
PRUDENTE. IL FAUT CONTINUER L'ADAPTATION DES STRUCTURES. LA R.F.A.
REFUSE L'ADAPTATION AUTOMATIQUE DES MCM MAIS RESTE OUVERTE A
DES MODIFICATIONS PRAGMATIQUES.

BENELUX

PROPOSITIONS TROP FAIBLES.////

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SELON CE PAYS, LES PROPOSITIONS DIMINUENT LES GARANTIES ET PENALISENT L'AGRICULTEUR QUI JOUE UN ROLE STABILISATEUR DANS L'ECONOMIE GENERALE. LA BELGIQUE S'EST MONTREE 'TRES DECUE'. ELLE A DEMANDE QUE LE CHIFFRE DE LA METHODE OBJECTIVE SOIT RESPECTE POUR QUE L'POLITIQUE AGRICOLE RESTE 'CREDIBLE' POUR LES AGRICULTEURS.

DANS SA REPOSE, M. GUNDELACH A SOULIGNE LE CARACTERE PARTIEL ET THEORIQUE DE LA METHODE OBJECTIVE QUI NE TIENT PAS COMPTE DE L'EVOLUTION REELLE DE LA PRODUCTION ET DES REVENUS ET QUI UTILISE UNE HYPOTHESE DE TRAVAIL TROP FAIBLE EN CE QUI CONCERNE L'AUGMENTATION DE LA PRODUCTIVITE DANS L'AGRICULTURE. IL EST VRAI, A-T-IL DIT QUE LA POLITIQUE AGRICOLE DOIT PROTEGER L'AGRICULTURE MAIS POLITIQUEMENT, IL N'EST PAS DEFENDABLE QU'UN SECTEUR SOIT COMPLETEMENT ISOLE DU RESTE DE L'ECONOMIE, CECI EST D'AUTANT PLUS VRAI QUE LA PRODUCTION DE CERTAINS PRODUITS, COMME LE LAIT, N'EST PLUS BASEE SUR LE MARCHE MAIS S'ORIENTE COMPLETEMENT SUR LES STOCKS D'INTERVENTION. ■

EN CE QUI CONCERNE LES PROPOSITIONS EN FAVEUR DE L'AGRICULTURE MEDITERRANEENNE, LES DEUX DELEGATIONS LES PLUS CONCERNEES ONT DEMANDE DES MESURES COMPLEMENTAIRES. LA FRANCE A NOTAMMENT DEMANDE QUE LES ECHANGES INTRACOMMUNAUTAIRES DE VINS SOIENT SOUMIS A DES PRIX MINIMA POUR QUE LES EFFORTS DE RESTRUCTURATION DANS UN PAYS NE SOIENT PAS PERTURBES PAR DES IMPORTATIONS A BAS PRIX EN PROVENANCE D'UN AUTRE PAYS. L'ITALIE A DEMANDE QUE LES POSSIBILITES D'INTERVENTION SOIENT AMELIOREES POUR LES PRODUITS MEDITERRANEENS. POUR LES MESURES STRUCTURELLES, COMME L'IRRIGATION, LA PARTICIPATION FINANCIERE DE LA COMMUNAUTE DEVRAIT ETRE PLUS FORTE QUE PROPOSEE. LE ROYAUME-UNI ET LA R.F.A. ONT SURTOUT APPUYE LES ORIENTATIONS GENERALES DE LA COMMISSION : NE PAS AUGMENTER LES EXCEDENTS ET NE PAS RENFORCER LA PROTECTION.

QUANT A LA PROPOSITION DE DEMOBILISATION, EN SEPT ANS, DES MONTANTS COMPENSATOIRES MONETAIRES, IL N'Y A EU AUCUN PROGRES. LE ROYAUME-UNI ET LA R.F.A. MAINTIENNENT LEURS POSITIONS DECRIES DANS LA NOTE BIO D'HIER. LES PAYS-BAS ONT SUGGERE QUE LE SYSTEME PROPOSE PAR LA COMMISSION SOIT ASSOULI EN PERMETTANT A CERTAINS ETATS MEMBRES D'EFFECTUER DES ADAPTATIONS INFERIEURES A UN ■■■■■■ ■■■■■■■■■ SEPTIEME. M. GUNDELACH A REJETE CETTE PROPOSITION PUISQU'ELLE ENLEVE LE CONTENU MEME DE SA PROPOSITION. LE DEBAT MONETAIRE A CONTINUE PENDANT LE DINER ET SERA PROBABLEMENT REPRIS MARDI MATIN.

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CONSEIL AGRICOLE

1. MONTANTS COMPENSATOIRES MONETAIRES

LE CONSEIL A DECIDE CE MATIN, SANS DISCUSSION, DE DEVALUER DE 2,5 0/0 LE FRANC "VERT" FRANCAIS AINSI QUE LA COMMISSION L'AVAIT PROPOSE SANS PREJUDICE DES ADAPTATIONS SUPPLEMENTAIRES QU'ELLE POURRAIT DEMANDER LORS DE LA FIXATION DES PRIX AGRICOLES POUR 1978/79. LE GOUVERNEMENT FRANCAIS A DEJA FAIT SAVOIR QU'UNE NOUVELLE DEVALUATION DE 2,5 0/0 SERA DEMANDEE A CETTE OCCASION. LA DEVALUATION DE 2,5 0/0 PREND EFFET LE 1.2.1978: ELLE AUGMENTERA DE 2,564 0/0 LES PRIX GARANTIS EXPRIMES EN FRANCS FRANCAIS ET DIMINUERA DE 2,9 POINTS LES MCM FRANCAIS.

AVANT LE PROCHAIN CONSEIL AGRICOLE, LA COMMISSION SOUMETTRA UN RAPPORT SUR LES EFFETS DES MCM DANS LES ECHANGES AGRICOLES. LE ROYAUME-UNI ET LA FRANCE AVAIENT DEMANDE L'ELABORATION DE CE RAPPORT QUI, A LEUR AVIS, METTRA EN LUMIERE LES DISTORSIONS DE CONCURRENCE CREEES PAR LE SYSTEME DES MCM.

2. VIANDE BOVINE

LE CONSEIL A ADOPTE 5 REGLEMENTS CONCERNANT L'IMPORTATION D'ENVIRON 150.000 TONNES DE VIANDE BOVINE EN 1978.

A) CONTINGENT GANT : 50.000 T DE VIANDE AVEC OS (DROIT DE DOUANE DE 20 0/0, PRELEVEMENT 0).

B) 38.000 TETES D'ANIMAUX DE RACES DE MONTAGNE (EN PROVENANCE D'AUTRICHE) REPRESENTANT ENVIRON 10.700 T DE VIANDE AVEC OS (DROIT DE DOUANE DE 4 0/0, PRELEVEMENT 0).

C) ENVIRON 12.000 T DE VIANDE AVEC OS EN PROVENANCE DE LA YOU-GOSLAVIE (DROIT DE DOUANE DE 20 0/0, PRELEVEMENT LEGEREMENT REDUIT).

D) 50.000 T DE VIANDE AVEC OS DESTINEES A LA PRODUCTION DE CONSERVES (DROIT DE DOUANE DE 20 0/0, PRELEVEMENT 0 MAIS A LA CONDITION QUE L'IMPORTATEUR ACHETE EN MEME TEMPS UNE CERTAINE QUANTITE DE VIANDE A DETERMINER DANS LES STOCKS D'INTERVENTION QUI S'ELEVENT ACTUELLEMENT A 440.000 TONNES).

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E) 200.000 TÊTES DE JEUNES VEAUX POUR L'ENGRAISSEMENT (DESTINÉES PRESQUE EXCLUSIVEMENT A L'ITALIE) REPRESENTANT ENVIRON 25.000 T DE VIANDE AVEC OS (DROIT DE DOUANE DE 16 O/O, PRÉLEVEMENT RÉDUIT DE 50 O/O).

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LE CONSEIL A DECIDE DE MAINTENIR PENDANT 22 MOIS L'EXEMPTION DU RESPECT DU PRIX DE REFERENCE (4,3 UC/HL) POUR CERTAINS VINS COMME LE CYPRUS SHERRY. APRES UN EXAMEN APPROFONDI, LA COMMISSION TRANSMETTRA CE DOSSIER AU COMITE DE GESTION POUR DETERMINER LE NIVEAU DU PRIX DE REFERENCE APPLICABLE A CES VINS. LES MOUTS ET LES JUS DE RAISINS IMPORTES PAR LA GRANDE-BRETAGNE ET L'IRLANDE POUR LA PRODUCTION DE VINS INDIGENES SERONT SOUMIS AU RESPECT DU PRIX DE REFERENCE A PARTIR DU 1.1.1978, TAUX QUI SE TRADUIRA PAR UNE TAXE COMPENSATOIRE TRES LEGERE DE 0,19 UC/DEGRE/HL, MONTANT QUI RESTERA INCHANGE JUSQU'AU 15.12.1979 (CECI REPRESENTE ENVIRON 3 A 4 O/O DES PRIX DE GROS TANDIS QUE LES CHARGES FISCALES NATIONALES SONT DE L'ORDRE DE 60 A 70 O/O). UNE RESOLUTION A ETE ADOPTEE POUR ASSURER QUE LES PROJETS D'AMELIORATION DES STRUCTURES DES VIGNOBLES DANS LE LANGUEDOC-ROUSSILLON RESTENT ELIGIBLES EN 1978 AU FEOGA ORIENTATION. NORMALEMENT, LES PROJETS INDIVIDUELS NE SERONT PLUS ELIGIBLES A PARTIR DU 1.1.1978 ET DEVRONT ETRE INSERES DANS UNE ACTION COMMUNE. UNE ACTION TELLE A ETE PROPOSEE DANS LE PAQUET MEDITERRANEEEN MAIS ELLE N'A PAS ENCORE ETE ADOPTEE PAR LE CONSEIL DE SORTE QU'UN VIDE JURIDIQUE RISQUAIT DE SE PRODUIRE.

ENFIN, DANS LE DOMAINE VETERINAIRE, LE CONSEIL A ADOPTE DES DECISIONS CONCERNANT LE PROCEDE DE REFRIGERATION DE LA VIANDE DE VOLAILLE (SPIN-CHILLER) ET LES CRITERES A REMPLIR PAR LES ETATS MEMBRES AFIN DE POUVOIR BENEFICIER D'AIDES COMMUNAUTAIRES POUR L'ERADICATION D'EPIZOOTIES (BRUCELLOSE, TUBERCULOSE ET LEUCOSE).

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CONSEIL AGRICOLE

LE CONSEIL S'EST TERMINE MARDI APRES-MIDI AVEC UNE SEULE DECISION
C'EST-A-DIRE LA LIMITATION DES QUANTITES DE PRODUITS AGRICOLES
QUI PEUVENT ETRE REIMPORTEES EN FRANCHISE DE PRELEVEMENTS APRES
AVOIR ETE VENDUES A BAS PRIX SUR DES BATEAUX DE PLAISANCE.
A PARTIR DU 1ER FEVRIER, LES QUANTITES AUTORISEES SERONT, PAR
VOYAGEUR, DE 1 KILO DE BEURRE, DE FROMAGE OU DE VIANDE, 2 KILOS
D'AUTRES PRODUITS AGRICOLES (SUCRE P.EX.) ET DEUX LITRES DE VIN.
LES RESTITUTIONS A L'EXPORTATION SERONT A NOUVEAU INTRODUITES
POUR CES PRODUITS ET L'ENSEMBLE DU DOSSIER SERA REOUVERT A LA FIN
DE 1979.

LES AUTRES POINTS RESTANT A L'ORDRE DU JOUR (PRIX DE REFERENCE
AGRUMES, REVISION DES DIRECTIVES STRUCTURELLES) ONT ETE RENVOYES
AU COMITE SPECIAL.

PROCHAIN CONSEIL : LES 23 ET 24 JANVIER.

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