

COMMISSION OF THE EUROPEAN COMMUNITIES

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Proposal for a
COUNCIL DECISION

amending Decision 76/557/EEC regarding the inclusion of certain disaster-stricken communes in Italy among the mountain areas within the meaning of Directive 75/268/EEC on mountain and hill farming and farming in certain less-favoured areas

(submitted to the Council by the Commission)

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EXPLANATORY MEMORANDUM

In accordance with Council Decision 76/557/EEC of 21 June 1976, a certain number of predominantly agricultural communes of the Friuli-Venezia Giulia region of Italy which was severely damaged by an earthquake in May 1976 were included, for a four-year period, in the mountain areas represented in the list of those established by Directive 75/268/EEC.

The Italian government has requested a prolongation of this period of application of this Decision for 5 years; at the same time it stated that it has not been possible to fully repair the damage caused by the earthquake and so the handicapped situation continues.

Because of the limitation of national funds, the Italian authorities have not been able to pay the aids envisaged by Directive 75/268/EEC. Given this situation it would seem justified to prolong the period of inclusion of these communes in order to permit the agriculture of these communes to benefit from the particular system of aids established under Directive 75/268/EEC.

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THE COUNCIL OF THE EUROPEAN COMMUNITIES,

Having regard to the Treaty establishing the European Economic Community, and in particular Articles 42 and 43 thereof,

Having regard to the proposal from the Commission,

Having regard to the opinion of the European Parliament (1),

Whereas, by Council Decision 76/557/EEC of 21 June 1976 regarding the inclusion of certain disaster-stricken communes in Italy among the mountain areas within the meaning of Directive 75/268/EEC on mountain and hill farming and farming in certain less-favoured areas (2), as amended by Decision 79/342/EEC (3), a certain number of predominantly agricultural communes of the Friuli-Venezia Giulia region which were severely affected by an earthquake in May 1976 were included for a period of 4 years among the mountain areas appearing on the list of these areas as defined by Council Directive 75/273/EEC (4);

Whereas, since the effects of the damage caused by the earthquake still remain, the period of inclusion should be extended,

HAS ADOPTED THIS DECISION

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(2) OJ No L 171, 30.6.1976, p. 34

(3) OJ No L 83, 3.4.1979, p. 17

(4) OJ No L 128, 19.5.1975, p. 72

Article 1

Article 1 of Decision 76/557/EEC is replaced by the following:

"The communes and parts of communes listed in the Annex shall be included for the period up to 31 December 1985 among the mountain areas defined in Article 3(3) of Directive 75/268/EEC which appear on the list annexed to Directive 75/273/EEC."

Article 2

This Decision is addressed to the Italian Republic.

Done at Brussels

For the Council
The President

FINANCIAL STATEMENT

Date : 11.2.1981

1. BUDGET HEADING : 820

APPROBIATIONS : 95 Mio ECU

2. TITLE : Proposal for a Council decision amending Council Decision 75/557/EEC regarding the inclusion of certain disaster-stricken communes in Italy among the mountains areas within the meaning of Directive 75/268/EEC on mountain and hill farming and farming in certain less favoured areas.

3. LEGAL BASIS : Article 6 of Regulation 729/70

4. AIMS OF PROJECT : To prolong, until the end of 1985, the inclusion of those regions of Friuli-Venezia-Giulio damaged by the earthquake of May 1976 in the list of Community less-favoured regions within the meaning of directive 75/268.

5. FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS	PERIOD OF 12 MONTHS	CURRENT FINANCIAL YEAR (81)	FOLLOWING FINANCIAL YEAR (82)
5.0 EXPENDITURE			
- CHARGED TO THE EC BUDGET (REFUNDS/INTERVENTIONS)		p.m.	0,73 Mio ECU
- NATIONAL ADMINISTRATION		1,455 Mio ECU	1,455 Mio ECU
- OTHER		-	-
5.1 RECEIPTS			
- OWN RESOURCES OF THE EC (LEVIES/CUSTOMS DUTIES)		-	-
- NATIONAL		-	-

	1983	1984	1985	1986
5.0.1 ESTIMATED EXPENDITURE	0,73 Mio ECU	0,73 Mio ECU	0,73 Mio ECU	0,73 Mio ECU
5.1.1 ESTIMATED RECEIPTS	-	-	-	-

5.2 METHOD OF CALCULATION

The cost of the compensation allowance is calculated as follows :

15.000 livestock units at 97 ECU per L.U. gives a total cost of 1,455 Mio ECU

The reimbursement rate of 50 % (directive 80/666) gives a annual cost of 0,73 Mio ECU

This increase is less than 1% of the appropriations of Article 820.

6.0 XX/XX

6.1 XX/XX

6.2 XX/XX

6.3 WILL FUTURE BUDGET APPROBIATIONS BE NECESSARY ? YES/NO

OBSERVATIONS :