

COMMISSION OF THE EUROPEAN COMMUNITIES

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Proposal for a
COUNCIL DIRECTIVE
amending Directive 69/208/EEC on the marketing of
seed of oil and fibre plants

(submitted to the Council by the Commission)

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EXPLANATORY NOTE

Experience with regard to supplies of fibre flax seed shows that it is necessary to retain the category of "certified seeds of the third generation" for an indefinite period. With regard to linseed, the production conditions developed recently in some Member States do justify to retain the category of "certified seeds of the third generation" beyond 30 June 1982 until 30 June 1983 in order to get these production conditions adapted to the supplies of linseed being assured by seed of the first and second generation. The present draft aims therefore at a modification of directive 69/208/EEC on the marketing of seed of oil and fibre plants.

Proposal

for a Council Directive amending Directive 69/208/EEC on the marketing of seed of oil and fibre plants

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 proposal by the Commission,

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

Whereas, for the reasons given below, Council Directive 69/208/EEC (2), as last amended by Directive 81/126/EEC (3), should be amended;

Whereas experience with regard to supplies of fibre flax seed shows that it is necessary to retain, at this stage, the category of "certified seeds of the third generation" for an indefinite period;

Whereas with regard to linseed, the production conditions developed recently in some Member States justify retention of the category of "certified seed of the third generation" for a further year; whereas this extension should be sufficient to enable those conditions to be adapted to ensure adequate supplies of linseed on the basis of seeds of the categories "certified seed of the first generation" and "certified seed of the second generation";

HAS ADOPTED THIS DIRECTIVE:

Article 1

Directive 69/208/EEC shall be amended as follows:

1. In Article 2(2)(c) "flax seed" shall be replaced by "linseed".
2. In Article 2(2)(c) "30 June 1982" shall be replaced by "30 June 1983".

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(2) OJ N° L 169, 10.7.1969, p. 3

(3) OJ N° L 67, 12.3.1981, p. 36

Article 2

Member States shall bring into force the laws, regulations and administrative provisions necessary to comply with this directive not later than 1 July 1982. They shall forthwith inform the Commission thereof.

Article 3

This Directive is addressed to the Member States.