

COMMISSION OF THE EUROPEAN COMMUNITIES

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Proposal for  
COUNCIL REGULATION (EEC)  
amending Regulation (EEC) No 1724/80 adopting general rules concerning  
special measures for soya beans

(submitted to the Council by the Commission)

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## EXPLANATORY MEMORANDUM

By Regulation (EEC) No 1614/79, of the 24th July 1979, the Council changed the system of support for soya grain in the Community, by introducing special measures designed to provide more effective assistance to Community soya cultivation.

Subsequently, by Regulation (EEC) No 1724/80 of the 30th June 1980, the Council drew up the general rules relating to the application of these measures, but, given the controversial nature of some of these measures, and the lack of experience of the effectiveness of the new system, it was considered that these rules should only apply for the 1980/81 marketing year. The Council, in recording its agreement to these measures, entered the following statement into the minutes of the meeting :

"The Commission will examine the problems arising in implementing the aid arrangements provided for by Regulation (EEC) No 1614/79, laying down special measures for soya beans, and in particular those concerning the recipient of the aid. It will report to the Council on its conclusions in this respect and make appropriate proposals before 30 November 1980."

The experience since the effective application of these measures (1st November 1980) has not been sufficient for the Commission to evaluate the effectiveness of the system. The Commission therefore proposes that the provisions of Regulation (EEC) No 1724/80 be extended for a further year in order to allow a more detailed study of the problems involved.

However, since certain problems of a technical nature have already been appreciated, certain amendments are proposed to the text of the regulation.

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THE COUNCIL OF THE EUROPEAN COMMUNITIES,

Having regard to the Treaty establishing the European Economic Community,

Having regard to Council Regulation (EEC) No 1614/79 of 24 July 1979 laying down special measures in respect of soya beans (1), and in particular Article 2(4) and the second paragraph of Article 3 thereof,

Having regard to the proposal from the Commission,

Whereas Council Regulation (EEC) No 1724/80 (2) adopted general rules for the aid system for soya beans for the 1980/81 marketing year; whereas insufficient experience has been gained during that year for assessment of the effectiveness of the said measures; whereas application of the Regulation in question should therefore be extended by one year, and certain amendments should be made thereto,

HAS ADOPTED THIS REGULATION :

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(1) OJ No L 190, 28.7.1979, p. 8  
(2) OJ No L 170, 3.7.1980, p. 1

Article 1

Regulation (EEC) No 1724/80 is hereby amended as follows:

1. In Article 2(b) the date "15 August 1980" shall be replaced by the date "1 July 1981".
2. Article 4(2) shall be replaced by the following:
  - "2. The weighing of the beans referred to in paragraph 1 and the drawing of samples shall be carried out on delivery by the producer to the first purchaser.
3. The drawing of samples for analysis and the determination of impurities and moisture shall be carried out in accordance with a method to be determined by the Member States. However, on application by the party concerned, the operations referred to above shall be carried out in accordance with the single method for the Community, as laid down in Annexes I to IV to Regulation (EEC) No 1470/68.

The Member States shall notify the Commission of the methods which they employ."

3. In the second subparagraph of Article 8, the date "1980" is replaced by the dates "1980 and 1981".

Article 2

This Regulation shall enter into force on the day of 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

For the Council