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Proposal for a

COUNCIL REGULATION (EEC)

amending for the sixth time Regulation (EEC)
No 1163/76 on the granting of a conversion premium
in the wine sector

(submitted to the Council by the Commission)

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EXPLANATORY MEMORANDUM

Under the third indent of Article 3(1) of Regulation (EEC) No. 1163/76 applications for the conversion premium for vines for the 1978/79 wine year/^{must be lodged}with the departments appointed by the Member States by 31 December 1978. Pending the implementation of the conversion measures laid down in Council Directive 78/627/EEC, producers in the Mediterranean regions of France covered by that Directive delayed lodging their requests before the closing date. In view of the delay in implementing Directive 78/627/EEC, and in view of certain structural measures expected in the Community, the Commission proposes that the date for lodging applications for the conversion premium introduced by Regulation EEC No. 1163/76, and in consequence the time limit for grubbing up the vines concerned, be extended so that these producers may qualify.

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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 1163/76 of 17 May 1976 on the granting of a conversion premium in the wine sector¹, as last amended by Regulation (EEC) No 1155/78², and in particular Article 4(5) thereof,

Having regard to the proposal from the Commission,

Whereas, under Article 3(1) of Regulation (EEC) No 1163/76, applications for the conversion premium for the 1978/79 wine year must be lodged before 31 December 1978; whereas, because producers were expecting certain structural measures to be implemented in certain regions of the Community, they did not lodge applications in due time; whereas the date for lodging applications, and consequently the time limit for grubbing-up, should therefore be deferred;

HAS ADOPTED THIS REGULATION :

(1) OJ No L 135, 24.5.1976, p. 34
(2) OJ No L 144, 31.5.1978, p. 9

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ANNEX

Premium applications

For the two wine years 1976/77 and 1977/78

France	:	35 000 ha
Italy	:	27 000 ha
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		62 000 ha

i.e. 31 000 ha per wine year.

Additional applications expected during the three month's extension:

10 000 ha (56 % France and 44 % Italy)

For 1976/77 and 1977/78 85 % of the applications were for premiums of 1 500 u.a./ha and the rest for premiums of 1000 u.a./ha (average cost: 1 425 u.a./ha).

Calculation :

France :	10 000 ha x 0.56 x 1 425 u.a. x 0.5 x	$\frac{6.22514}{5.75188}$	(agricul- tural u.a.) (EUA)	=	4 318 000 EUA
Italy :	10 000 ha x 0.44 x 1 425 u.a. x 0.5 x	$\frac{1154}{1134.44}$	(agricul- tural u.a.) (EUA)	=	3 189 000 EUA
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	Total :				7 507 000 EUA

Article 1

Regulation (EEC) No 1163/76 is amended as follows :

1. With effect from 31 December 1978 the date specified in the third indent of Article 3(1) is replaced by "31 March 1979".
2. Article 3(2a) is replaced by the following:

"2a. For the 1977/78 and 1978/79 wine years the undertaking referred to in the first indent of paragraph 2(b) shall be deemed to have been discharged by the applicant if the grubbing-up is carried out before 16 June 1978 and 16 June 1979 respectively."

Article 2

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
The President

FINANCIAL STATEMENT

DATE : 18 January 1979

1. BUDGET LINE CONCERNED : Item 8350 APPROPRIATIONS : 31.5 million EUA

2. ACTION : Proposal for a Regulation amending for the sixth time Regulation (EEC) No 1163/76 on the granting of a conversion premium in the wine sector

3. LEGAL BASIS : Article 6 of Regulation (EEC) No 729/70

4. OBJECTIVES : To keep open the possibility of conversion in the wine sector, pending implementation of new structural measures

5. FINANCIAL CONSEQUENCES	PERIOD OF 12 MONTHS	CURRENT FINANCIAL YEAR (79)	FOLLOWING FINANCIAL YEAR (80)
5.0 EXPENDITURE			
-CHARGED TO THE EC BUDGET (EXPENDITURE)		-	7.5
-CHARGED TO NATIONAL ADMINISTER.		15 million EUA	-
-CHARGED TO OTHER NATIONAL GROUPS		-	-
5.1 RECEIPTS			
-OWN RESOURCES OF THE EC (LEVIES/CUSTOMS DUTIES)		-	-
-NATIONAL		-	-

	YEAR1980.....	YEAR	YEAR
5.0.1 PLURIANNUAL PATTERN OF EXPENDITURE	7.5 million EUA	-	-
5.1.1 PLURIANNUAL PATTERN OF RECEIPTS	-	-	-

5.2 METHOD OF CALCULATION

See Annex

6.0 FINANCING POSSIBLE WITH CREDITS INSCRIBED IN RELEVANT CHAPTER OF CURRENT BUDGET ? YES/NO

6.1 FINANCING POSSIBLE BY TRANSFER BETWEEN CHAPTERS OF CURRENT BUDGET ? YES/NO

6.2 NECESSITY FOR A SUPPLEMENTARY BUDGET ? YES/NO

6.3 CREDITS TO BE WRITTEN INTO FUTURE BUDGETS ? YES/NO

COMMENTS : The initial purpose behind Regulation 1163/76 was the grubbing-up of 120 000 ha of vines. Even with the three month extension this figure will not be reached; so the initial estimated cost will not be exceeded.