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(submitted to the Council by the Commission)

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EXPLANATORY MEMORANDUM

This Regulation extends to the 1982/83 wine-growing year the validity of the special provisions applying to distillation operations under Articles 40 and 41 of Regulation (EEC) n° 337/79, pending completion of the preparatory work on new general rules on distillation.



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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 337/79 of 5 February 1979 on  
the common organization of the market in wine<sup>1</sup>, as last amended by  
Regulation (EEC) No 3577/81<sup>2</sup>, and in particular Articles 11(3), 12a(4),  
13(3), 40(4) and 41(3) thereof,

Having regard to the proposal from the Commission,

Whereas Articles 4a and 4b of Council Regulation (EEC) No 343/79<sup>3</sup>, as last  
amended by Regulation (EEC) No 2008/81<sup>4</sup>, make particular provision for the  
distillation operations referred to in Articles 40 and 41 of Regulation  
(EEC) No 337/79; whereas, pending a complete revision of the general rules  
governing distillation operations, these provisions have been rendered  
applicable only for the 1980/81 and 1981/82 wine-growing years; whereas,  
since work on preparation of new general rules for distillation has not yet  
been completed, it would seem desirable to extend application of Articles  
4a and 4b of Regulation (EEC) No 343/79 to the 1982/83 wine-growing year;

Whereas for the same reasons the provisions on the margins referred to in  
Article 6(1) and (2) of Regulation (EEC) No 343/79 should continue to apply  
during the 1982/83 wine-growing year,

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<sup>1</sup>OJ No L 54, 5.3.1979, p. 1

<sup>2</sup>OJ No L 359, 15.12.1981, p. 1

<sup>3</sup>OJ No L 54, 5.3.1979, p. 64

<sup>4</sup>OJ No L 195, 18.7.1981, p. 3

Article 1

Regulation (EEC) No 337/79 is hereby amended as follows:

1. Article 6a(1) is replaced by the following:

"1. For the 1980/81, 1981/82 and 1982/83 wine growing years and by way of derogation from Articles 2 and 4, distillers who, pursuant to Articles 40 or 41 of Regulation (EEC) No 337/79, have carried out distillation of wine obtained from grapes produced in the Member State where distillation took place may deliver to the competent intervention agency the entire product obtained from distillation provided that such product has an alcoholic strength of 86% vol or more."

2. Article 6(3) is replaced by the following:

"3. Paragraphs 1 and 2 shall apply to delivery contracts concluded during the 1979/80, 1980/81, 1981/82 and 1982/83 marketing years."

Article 2

This Regulation shall enter into force on the day of its publication in the Official Journal of the European Communities.

It shall apply from 1 September 1982.

This Regulation shall be binding in its entirety and directly applicable in all Member States.

Done at Brussels,

For the Council