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Proposal for a

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on special measures for soya beans

(submitted to the Council by the Commission)

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EXPLANATORY MEMORANDUM

1. The Council, in regulation (EEC) no. 2809/75 laid down for the 1975/1976 marketing year the criteria for the determination of the average world market price and the general rules concerning the granting and the control of the subsidy for soya and beans harvested in the Community.
The validity of this Regulation has limited to enable his effectiveness to be assessed.

 2. The Commission proposed to maintain the provisions currently in force for future marketing years, adapting them in accordance in the experience acquired. Thus it is specified that the indicative yield may be differentiated according to whether the method of production is dry or irrigated, as well as in function of the yields per hectare as certained in the main production areas of the Community.
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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 1900/74 of 15 July 1974 laying down special measures for soya beans⁽¹⁾, and in particular Article 2(3) thereof,

Having regard to the proposal from the Commission;

Whereas pursuant to Article 2 (3) thereof, criteria for determining the average world market price, together with general rules for granting the subsidy and for the control of beans harvested within the Community, have been laid down for the 1974/75 and 1975/76 marketing years respectively by Council Regulations (EEC) No 2783/74 of 4 November 1974⁽²⁾ and 2809/75 of 29 October 1975⁽³⁾ on special measures for soya beans; whereas the period of validity of these regulations has been limited to enable its effectiveness to be assessed; whereas the provisions of these two Regulations should be maintained for future marketing years with suitable adaptation in the light of experience acquired;

Whereas the said average world market price must be determined on the basis of the most favourable purchasing terms available on that market;

Whereas the figures to be taken into consideration should be those recorded over the marketing period for Community beans in respect of offers on the world market and prices quoted on the major international exchanges; whereas, however, offers not considered representative of the true trend of the market should be ignored;

Whereas under Article 2 (1) of the said Regulation the average price must be recorded for a Community frontier crossing point; whereas in fixing this point account should be taken of the extent to which it is representative for imports of soya beans and the point selected should accordingly be the port of Rotterdam; whereas offers and quotations must be adjusted if they relate to a different frontier crossing point;

Whereas such adjustment should also be made in the event of any variation from the presentation and quality specified for the purpose of fixing the guide price;

(1) OJ No L 201, 23.7.1974, p. 5
(2) OJ No L 297, 5.11.1974, p. 1
(3) OJ No L 280, 31.10.1975, p. 3

Whereas the producer Member States should be required to set up the control arrangements necessary to ensure the proper functioning of its subsidy system;

Whereas under Article 2 (2) of the said Regulation the subsidy is to be granted for production obtained by applying an indicative yield to the surface areas sown and harvested; whereas, in order to ensure the proper application of the subsidy system, the indicative yield should be determined by reference to yields recorded in the principal production areas; whereas, having regard to the characteristics of soya production, the indicative yield should be differentiated to prevent it diverging too far from the real yield,

HAS ADOPTED THIS REGULATION :

Article 1

1. The average world market price for soya beans as referred to in Article 2 of Regulation (EEC) No 1900/74 shall be determined taking into account the figures recorded over a period most representative of the trade in beans originating in the Community in respect of offers on the world market and of prices quoted on the major international exchanges.
2. The average world market price shall be determined on the basis of the average of the most favourable offers and quotations recorded during the period referred to in paragraph 1, but excluding offers and quotations which cannot be regarded as representative of the true trend of the market.

Article 2

The average world market price shall be determined for loose beans of standard quality delivered at Rotterdam.

The necessary adjustments shall be made where offers and quotations do not satisfy the requirements referred to in the first paragraph.

Article 3

Producer Member States shall set up a control system whereby, in the case of each soya bean grower to whom aid is granted under Article 2 (1) of Regulation (EEC) No 1900/74, it may be verified that the crop area in respect of which a subsidy has been applied corresponds to the area on which soya has actually been sown and harvested.

Article 4

1. A standard Community indicative yield for soya beans shall be determined for beans of standard quality.
2. The indicative yield may be differentiated taking into account the method of production used and the yields ascertained in the main producing areas in the Community.

Article 5

The indicative yield referred to in Article 4 shall be determined by reference primarily to the yields per hectare ascertained by random sampling in the production areas of the Community.

Article 6

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

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For the Council