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Proposal for a

COUNCIL REGULATION (EC)

**amending Regulation (EEC) No 1442/88 on the granting,
for the 1988/89 to 1998/99 wine years, of permanent abandonment premiums
in respect of wine-growing areas**

(presented by the Commission)

EXPLANATORY MEMORANDUM

The purpose of this proposal for a Regulation is to facilitate application of the Community scheme for the permanent abandonment of wine-growing land in the specific case of the Charentes region, which is undergoing an over-production crisis. The derogation was also applied throughout the Member States in the 1996/97 and 1997/98 wine years.

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THE COUNCIL OF THE EUROPEAN UNION,

Having regard to the Treaty establishing the European Community, and in particular Article 43 thereof,

Having regard to the proposal from the Commission¹,

Having regard to the opinion of the European Parliament²,

Having regard to the opinion of the Economic and Social Committee³,

Having regard to Council Regulation (EEC) No 1442/88 of 24 May 1988 on the granting, for the 1988/89 to 1998/99 wine years, of permanent abandonment premiums in respect of wine-growing areas⁴, as last amended by Regulation (EC) No 1630/98⁵,

Whereas, as a result of the over-production crisis throughout the Cognac production area in the French region of Charentes and pending adoption of the reformed common organisation of the market in wine, a new deadline should be set for the submission of applications for the permanent abandonment premium so as to facilitate maximum use of that scheme in the above region,

HAS ADOPTED THIS REGULATION:

Article 1

In Article 4 of Regulation (EEC) No 1442/88, the following paragraph 7 is added:

“7. For the 1998/99 wine year, the last date referred to in paragraph 1 for the submission of applications for the payment of the premium shall be 31 March 1999 for the Charentes region.”

¹ OJ C ..., .., p. ...

² Opinion delivered on(not yet published in the Official Journal).

³ Opinion delivered on(not yet published in the Official Journal).

⁴ OJ L 132, 28.5.1988, p. 3.

⁵ OJ L 210, 28.7.1998, p. 12.

Article 2

This Regulation shall enter into force on the 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

1. BUDGET HEADING: 164		APPROPRIATIONS: EUR 20 million		
2. TITLE: Proposal for a Council Regulation amending Regulation (EEC) No 1442/88 on the granting, for the 1988/89 to 1998/99 wine years, of permanent abandonment premiums in respect of wine-growing areas.				
3. LEGAL BASIS: Article 43 of the Treaty				
4. AIMS OF PROJECT: To extend by three months the last date of 31.12.1998 set for the submission of applications for payment of the premium for the Charentes region.				
5. FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS:	PERIOD OF 12 MONTHS (EUR million)	CURRENT FINANCIAL YEAR (1999) (EUR million)	FOLLOWING FINANCIAL YEAR (2000) (EUR million)	
5.0 EXPENDITURE	p.m.	p.m.	p.m.	
- CHARGED TO THE EC BUDGET (REFUNDS/INTERVENTION)				
- NATIONAL ADMINISTRATION				
- OTHER				
5.1 REVENUE				
- OWN RESOURCES OF THE EC (LEVIES/CUSTOMS DUTIES)				
- NATIONAL				
	2001	2002	2003	2004
5.0.1 ESTIMATED EXPENDITURE	p.m.			
5.1.1 ESTIMATED REVENUE				
5.2 METHOD OF CALCULATION:				
6.0 CAN THE PROJECT BE FINANCED FROM APPROPRIATIONS ENTERED IN THE RELEVANT CHAPTER OF THE CURRENT BUDGET?				YES/NO
6.1 CAN THE PROJECT BE FINANCED BY TRANSFER BETWEEN CHAPTERS OF THE CURRENT BUDGET?				YES/NO
6.2 IS A SUPPLEMENTARY BUDGET NECESSARY?				YES/NO
6.3 WILL FUTURE BUDGET APPROPRIATIONS BE NECESSARY?				YES/NO
OBSERVATIONS: The measure could result in an increase in the land involved and the implications of this cannot at present be calculated.				