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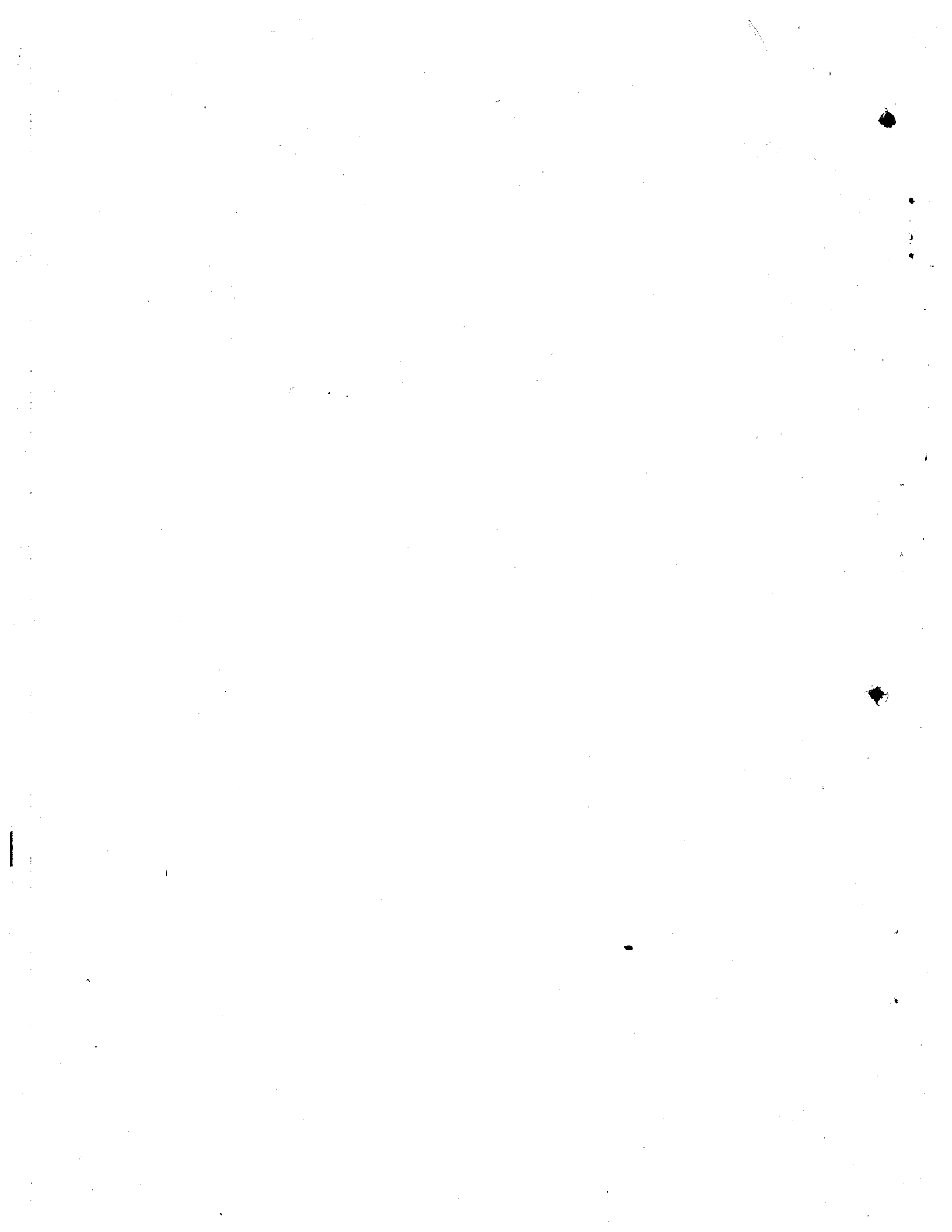
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PROPOSAL FOR A REGULATION (EEC) OF THE COUNCIL

supplementing Annex I of Regulation (EEC) No 1035/72
on the common organization of the market in fruit and vegetables

(submitted to the Council by the Commission)

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EXPLANATORY MEMORANDUM

Council Regulation (EEC) No 1035/72 of 18 May 1972 on the common organization of the market in fruit and vegetables provides for the application to certain fruit and vegetables of quality standards designed to keep products of unsatisfactory quality off the market, to align production on consumer demand and make for fair competition in trade, thus serving to improve the profitability of production.

At present, about thirty major products are subject to quality standards. No Community standards have so far been introduced for leeks, despite the fact that fairly large quantities are produced and trade is significant, at any rate within the Community.

In view of these factors, and the experience acquired as regards standards for other products, the Commission considers it should propose that leeks be included on the list of products subject to quality standards.

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	1974	1975	1976	1977
<u>PRODUCTION</u>				
Germany	32	31	23	37
France	293	280	246	275
Italy	23	22	24	24
Netherlands	51	45	43	55
Belgium	124	99	73	102
Luxembourg	0,4	0,3	0,3	0,4
United Kingdom	20	23	27	42
Ireland	0,2	0,1	0,2	0,2
Denmark	7	7	10	11
EUR 9	556	507	456	547
<u>IMPORTS</u>				
TOTAL	33,5	29,5	31,5	26,1
Intra EUR 9	27,9	23,9	24,8	21,2
Extra EUR 9	5,6	5,6	6,8	4,8
of which				
Morocco	4,6	4,6	5,8	3,9
Turkey	-	-	-	0,6
Tunisia	0,9	0,9	0,9	0,3
<u>EXPORTS</u>				
TOTAL	31,5	27,2	29,9	24,5
Extra EUR 9	5,4	6,2	6,4	4,1
of which				
Sweden	2,6	3,0	2,9	2,3
Switzerland	1,5	1,5	2,1	1,0
Norway	-	0,4	0,3	0,4
Austria	0,4	0,4	0,6	0,4
Finland	0,3	-	0,3	0,3

supplementing Annex I to Regulation (EEC) No 1035/72 on the common organization of the market in fruit and vegetables

THE COUNCIL OF THE EUROPEAN COMMUNITIES,

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

Having regard to Council Regulation (EEC) No 1035/72 of 18 May 1972 on the common organization of the market in fruit and vegetables,⁽¹⁾ as last amended by Regulation (EEC) No 1766/78⁽²⁾, and in particular the first subparagraph of Article 2(2) thereof;

Having regard to the proposal from the Commission;

Having regard to the Opinion of the European Parliament;

Whereas Regulation (EEC) No 1035/72 provides that quality standards may be fixed for products to be delivered fresh to the consumer and Annex I thereto lists the products subject to such quality standards;

Whereas leeks are the subject of large-scale trade in some producer Member States and of substantial trade on a Community level;

Whereas it is therefore necessary to apply to this product all the provisions of Regulation (EEC) No 1035/72 and in particular to lay down common quality standards; whereas to this end the said product should be added to the list in Annex I to that Regulation;

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(1) O.J. No L 118 of 20.5.1972, p. 1

(2) O.J. No L 204 of 28.7.1978, p. 12

HAS ADOPTED THIS REGULATION:

Article 1

In Annex I to Regulation (EEC) No 1035/72, under the column "Vegetables", the following is added:

"leeks"

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