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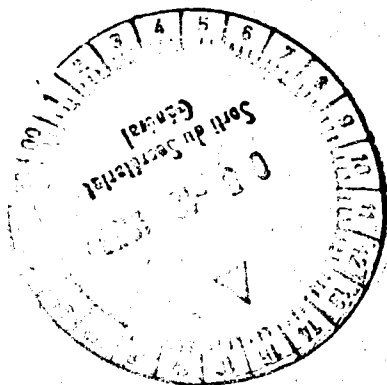
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COMMISSION OF THE EUROPEAN COMMUNITIES

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Proposal for a
COUNCIL REGULATION (EEC)

amending Regulations (EEC) Nos 1696/71 and 2253/77
as regards the prohibition on the increase in areas
planted with hops

(submitted to the Council by the Commission)

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EXPLANATORY MEMORANDUM

The object of this proposal for a Regulation is:

- to propose for a period of nine month (until 30 September 1980) a prohibition on any increase in Community areas planted with hops as laid down in Article 9 of Regulation (EEC) No 1696/71 (basic Regulation);
- the lifting, at the end of this period, of the prohibition on an increase in areas imposed for a period of three years on producer groups who have implemented the structural measures provided for by Regulation (EEC) No 2253/77.

The justification for these measures is as follows:

- a) following the 1979 crop, which was bigger than expected, the market situation is still somewhat unbalanced, especially in the case of the bitter varieties, and there is still a surplus of stocks (about 10 %). Prolonging the prohibition for the 1980 crop would give a better guarantee that stocks will be absorbed and, hence, improved balance on the market.
- b) The need to avoid discrimination between planters whose groups have carried out the structural measures in order to rationalize the market and who cannot therefore increase their areas for three years and individual planters or producer groups who have not carried out these operations and who could replant hops before them.
- c) Forecasts for the international market suggest a regular increase in beer production and in demand for hops. If market conditions improve after the 1980 crop, all Community producers should be given an equal chance to respond to the market trend. For this reason, the chosen date of 30 September 1980 could enable planters to carry out this measure for the 1981 crop.

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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 1696/71 of 26 July 1971 on the common organization of the market in hops (1), as last amended by Regulation (EEC) No 235/79 (2), and in particular Articles 9(4) and 10(1) thereof,

Having regard to the proposal from the Commission,

Whereas Article 9 of Regulation (EEC) No 1696/71 prohibits any increase in the areas planted with hops during the period 1 July 1977 to 31 December 1979;

Whereas the results of the 1979 crop and the present level of stocks rule out any return to a balanced market by 31 December 1979; whereas it therefore appears advisable to postpone for one crop the prohibition on any increase in areas planted with hops in order to enable this measure to achieve its objective of rationalizing the market;

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(1) OJ No L 175, 4.8.1971, p. 1
(2) OJ No L 34, 9.2.1979, p. 4

Whereas Council Regulation (EEC) No 2253/77 of 11 October 1977 on structural measures in the hops sector (1) prohibits producer groups from planting hops for the three years following implementation of their operations for conversion to other varieties and for reorganizing hop gardens on areas greater than those resulting from these operations;

Whereas, all producer groups, whether or not they have carried out the aforesaid structural operations, should be enabled on the same date to respond to market requirements and to increase their areas; whereas it is necessary therefore to substitute for the three-year period of prohibition on increasing areas following the implementation of these operations the same final date for all groups; whereas it appears appropriate to use the date fixed for the end of the general prohibition on increasing areas planted with hops;

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(1) OJ No L 261, 14.10.1977, p. 1

HAS ADOPTED THIS REGULATION:

Article 1

In Article 9(1) of Regulation 1696/71 the expression "31 December 1979" is replaced by "30 September 1980".

Article 2

Regulation (EEC) No 2253/77 is amended as follows:

1. In the first paragraph of Article 1 the date "31 December 1979" is replaced by "30 September 1980".
2. Article 4 is amended to read as follows:

"Article 4

Until 30 September 1980 a recognized producer group may not plant hops on an area greater than that resulting from the carrying out of its plant for conversion to other varieties and for the reorganization of hop gardens."

Article 3

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

For the Council