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Brussels, 12 December 1972

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Proposal for a
REGULATION (EEC) OF THE COUNCIL

on the list of priority agricultural regions and zones provided
in Council Regulation (EEC) on the financing by the Guidance Section
of the European Agricultural Guidance and Guarantee Fund of projects
falling within programmes for the development of priority agri-
cultural regions

(Proposal from the Commission to the Council)

Explanatory Memorandum

1. General Regulation (EEC) n°...../..... of on the financing by the Guidance Section of the European Agricultural Guidance and Guarantee Fund of projects falling within programmes for the development of priority agricultural regions provides for the introduction of a system of regional development incentives to promote the creation of employment in regions having a substantial surplus of agricultural workers. If the means of doing this are to be effective, they must be concentrated on a limited number of agricultural regions for priority development.

2. To this end, Article 2 of Council Regulation (EEC) n°/..... provides that the Council, acting in accordance with the voting procedure laid down in Article 43 of the Treaty on a proposal from the Commission, shall determine the list of priority agricultural regions in the light of the following criteria in particular :

- the percentage of the working population engaged in agriculture must be higher there than the Community average;
- the gross per capita domestic product at factor cost must be lower there than the Community average;
- the percentage of the working population engaged in industry must be lower there than the Community average.

This Article further provides that the Council, acting in accordance with the voting procedure laid down in Article 43 of the Treaty on a proposal from the Commission, may also designate as priority regions within the meaning of the Regulation, zones which satisfy the three criteria set out where there is a substantial surplus of agricultural workers although situated in a region not meeting the three criteria (1).

(1) Doc. R/2672/72 of 1 December 1972.

3. The three abovementioned Community averages are based on national statistics sent to the Commission by the Member States. In 1971, the Community average of the working population engaged in agriculture was 9,8 %, the Community average gross per capita domestic product at factor cost was 2.420 units of account and the Community average of the working population engaged in industry was 43,9 %.
4. Following consultations between the Commission departments and the Member States' national administrations, it has been possible to verify regional statistics so as to compare them with the Community averages and to take account of additional analytical factors for the purpose of drawing up the list of priority agricultural regions and zones set out in this Regulation.
5. A map showing the proposed regions and zones is annexed to this explanatory memorandum.

Proposal for a Regulation (EEC) n°...../..... of the Council on the list of priority agricultural regions and zones provided for in Council Regulation (EEC) n°...../..... of..... on the financing by the Guidance Section of the European Agricultural Guidance and Guarantee Fund of projects falling within programmes for the development of priority agricultural regions. (1).

THE COUNCIL OF THE EUROPEAN COMMUNITIES,

having regard to the Treaty establishing the European Economic Community;

having regard to Article 2 of Council Regulation (EEC) n°/..... of

Having regard to the proposal from the Commission;

Whereas in the regions covered by this Regulation the percentage of the working population engaged in agriculture exceeds the Community average; whereas the gross per capita domestic product at factor cost is lower there than the Community average; whereas the percentage of the working population engaged in industry is lower there than the Community average;

Whereas the zones covered by this Regulation satisfy the same criteria as the regions and have a substantial surplus of agricultural workers;

Whereas consultations between the Commission and the Member States have made it possible to take into consideration additional analytical factors;

HAS ADOPTED THIS REGULATION :

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Article 1

The following shall constitute priority agricultural regions within the meaning of Council Regulation (EEC) n°...../.....of..... :

Belgium

- la province du Luxembourg et les arrondissements contigus de Philippeville et Dinant;

Germany (situation of the Kreisfreien Städte and Landkreise on 27 May 1970) :

- die Gebietseinheit (für das Bundesraumordnungsprogramm) Schleswig und die anschliessenden Landkreise Rendsburg-Eckernförde, Dithmarschen;
- die Gebietseinheit Ems und die anschliessenden Landkreise Ammerland, Cloppenburg, Bersenbrück, Wittlage;
- von der Gebietseinheit Lüneburger Heide die Kreisfreie Stadt Lüneburg, die Landkreise Lüneburg, Lüchow-Dannenberg, Soltau, Uelzen und die anschliessende Kreisfreie Stadt Cuxhaven sowie die anschliessenden Landkreise Land Hadeln, Wesermünde, Stade, Bremerförde, Rotenburg, Verden;
- die Gebietseinheit Trier und die anschliessenden Landkreise Rhein-Lahn-Kreis, Rhein-Hunsrück-Kreis, Cochem-Zell;
- von der Gebietseinheit Landshut-Passau die Kreisfreien Städte Straubing, Deggendorf, Passau, die Landkreise Mainburg, Rottenburg a.d.L., Mallersdorf, Straubing, Bogen, Viechtach, Regen, Dingolfing, Landau a.d.J., Deggendorf, Grafenau, Wolfstein, Vilshofen, Passau, Wegscheid, Vilsbiburg, Eggenfelden, Pfarrkirchen, Griesbach i.R. und die anschliessenden Landkreise Oberviechtach, Neunburg v. W., Waldmünchen, Cham, Kitzting.

France :

- les régions de programme Bretagne, Poitou-Charentes, Limousin, Aquitaine, Midi-Pyrénées, Corse;
- de la région de programme Pays de la Loire : les départements de Loire-Atlantique, Vendée, les arrondissements de Mayenne, Laval, Château-Gontier (département de Mayenne), les arrondissements de Cholet, Segré, Angers, Saumur (département de Maine-et-Loire);
- de la région de programme Auvergne : les départements de Cantal, Haute-Loire, les arrondissements d'Ambert, Issoire (département du Puy-de-Dôme), les cantons de Bourg-Lastie, Herment, Rochefort-Montagne, Saint-Amand-Thallende, Saint-Dier-d'Auvergne, Veyre-Monton (arrondissement de Clermont-Ferrand, département du Puy-de-Dôme), les cantons de Manzat, Pont-à-Muray, Pontgibaud, Saint-Gervais-d'Auvergne, les deux cantons de Rion, Combronde, Aigueperse, Randan, Ennezat (arrondissement de Riom, département du Puy-de-Dôme);
- de la région de programme Languedoc : le département de Lozère, les cantons de Génolhac, Bessèges, Barjac, Saint-Ambroix (arrondissement d'Alès, département du Gard), l'arrondissement de Carcassonne (département de l'Aude);

et les parties suivantes du territoire qui sont contiguës à ces régions :

- le département de la Manche, les arrondissements de Bayeux, Vire (département du Calvados), les cantons de Thury-Marcourt, Villers-Bocage (arrondissement de Caen, département du Calvados), les cantons de la Ferte-Macé, Domfront, Passais, Juvigny-sous-Andaine (arrondissement d'Alençon, département de l'Orne), les cantons de Flers, Tinchebray, Messei (arrondissement d'Argentan, département de l'Orne);
- les arrondissements du Blanc, de la Châtre (département de l'Indre), le canton d'Argenton-sur-Creuse (arrondissement de Châteauroux, département de l'Indre), les cantons de Saulzais-le-Poirier, Charenton-du-Cher,

Châteauneuf-sur-Cher, Le Châtelet-en-Berry, Châteaumeillant, Saint-Amand-Mont-Rond (arrondissement de Saint-Amand-Mont-Rond, département du Cher).

- les cantons de Largentière, Les Vans, Joyeuse, Saint-Etienne-de-Lugdarès, Valgorge, Burzet, Montpezat-sous-Bauzon, Thueyts, Coucouron (arrondissement de Largentière, département de l'Ardèche), les cantons d'Aitraigues-sur-Volane, Aubenas, Privas (arrondissement de Privas, département de l'Ardèche);

Italy :

- le Regioni Marche, Umbria, Abruzzi, Molise, Campania, Puglia, Basilicata, Calabria, Sardegna, Sicilia

e

le Provincie limitrofe Grosseto, Viterbo, Rieti, Frosinone.

Netherlands

- de provincies Groningen, Friesland, Drenthe

en

de aangrenzende gemeenten Kuinre, Blankenham, Oldmarkt, Steenwijkerwold, Steenwijk, Giethoorn, Blokzijl, Vollenhoven, Wanneperveen, Gramsbergen, Avereest, Ommen, Den Ham, Hardenberg, Vriezenveen.

Article 2

The following zones are designated priority agricultural regions within the meaning of Council Regulation (EEC) n°/..... of

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Belgium

- het arrondissement Eeklo,
- de arrondissementen Veurne, Diksmuide, Ieper.

Germany (situation of the Kreisfreien Städte et Landkreise on 27 May 1970) :

- die Landkreise Warburg, Hofgeismar, Wolfhagen;
- die Landkreise Ziegenhain, Alsfeld;
- die kreisfreien Städte Kitzingen Rothenburg o.d.T. und die Landkreise Gerolzhofen, Kitzingen, Scheinfeld, Ochsenfurt, Uffenheim, Mergentheim, Rothenburg o.d.T., Crailsheim, Schwäbisch Hall;
- die Landkreise Hilpoltstein, Beilngries, Parsberg, Riedenburg.

Luxemburg :

- les cantons de Clervaux, Wilz, Vianden, Redange et les communes Hoescheid, Bourscheid, Feulen, Mertzig.

Article 3

The Council, acting on a proposal from the Commission, shall review this Regulation before 1 July 1974.

Article 4

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
The President

REGIONS AGRICOLES PRIORITAIRES

