

COUNCIL DECISION**of 20 July 1976**

on the conclusion of the Agreement in the form of an exchange of letters amending the Convention between the European Economic Community and the United Nations Relief and Works Agency for Palestine Refugees (UNRWA) signed on 18 December 1972

(76/624/EEC)

THE COUNCIL OF THE EUROPEAN COMMUNITIES,

Having regard to the Treaty establishing the European Economic Community, and in particular Articles 113, 114 and 228 thereof,

Having regard to the recommendation from the Commission,

Whereas on 18 December 1972 the European Economic Community signed a Convention⁽¹⁾ concerning aid to refugees in the countries of the Middle East for a period of three years;

Whereas owing to the market situation, the Community has been unable to provide UNRWA with the whole of the 6 000 metric tons of sugar due under Article II (1) of the Convention; whereas UNRWA has been obliged to buy 2 000 metric tons of sugar from its own resources; whereas the Community should reimburse UNRWA according to the Community price plus transport in order to fulfil its obligations under the Convention;

Whereas the Convention should be amended to this effect,

HAS DECIDED AS FOLLOWS:

Article 1

The Agreement in the form of an exchange of letters amending the Convention between the European Economic Community and the United Nations Relief and Works Agency for Palestine Refugees (UNRWA) signed on 18 December 1972 is hereby concluded on behalf of the Community.

The text of the Agreement is annexed to this Decision.

Article 2

The President of the Council is hereby authorized to designate the persons empowered to sign the Agreement and to confer on them the necessary powers to bind the Community.

Done at Brussels, 20 July 1976.

For the Council

The President

M. van der STOEL

⁽¹⁾ OJ No L 304, 31. 12. 1972, p. 24.