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REGULATION No 155/66/EEC OF THE COUNCIL

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on the financing of intervention expenditure in respect of the internal market in rice

THE COUNCIL OF THE EUROPEAN ECONOMIC COMMUNITY,

Having regard to the Treaty establishing the European Economic Community;

Having regard to Council Regulation No 25¹ on the financing of the common agricultural policy;

Having regard to Council Regulation No 17/64/EEC² on the conditions for granting aid from the European Agricultural Guidance and Guarantee Fund, and in particular Article 6 thereof;

Having regard to the proposal from the Commission;

Whereas the conditions for granting aid from the European Agricultural Guidance and Guarantee Fund should be determined for Community financing of intervention expenditure in each sector of the common organization of the markets; whereas the intervention system for rice is laid down in Article 18 of Council Regulation No 16/64/EEC³;

Whereas, due to the existence of a graded price system, the storage of home-produced paddy rice which has been the subject of intervention in accordance with Article 18(2) of Regulation No 16/64/EEC may when the transition is made from one season to the next give rise to losses or expenditure which meet the conditions laid down in Article 6(1) of Regulation No 17/64/EEC;

Whereas, in the absence of a common price level for rice, the basis taken should be the different price levels between one Member State and another, and the price ratios existing within each Member State;

Whereas the prices for the area having the greatest surplus in each producer Member State must be taken as the basis for calculation, since intervention is carried out mainly in surplus areas;

Whereas standard criteria should be used so as to eliminate all differences other than the difference resulting from price levels and ratios in Member States,

HAS ADOPTED THIS REGULATION:

Article 1

1. Losses suffered or expenditure borne during the transition from one marketing year to the next on stocks of home-produced paddy rice which has been the subject of intervention by producer Member States in accordance with Article 18(2) of Regulation No 16/64/EEC shall be eligible for aid from the European Agricultural Guidance and Guarantee Fund, pursuant to Article 6(1) of Regulation No 17/64/EEC.

2. In each Member State the quantities of home-produced paddy rice in storage on the last day of the marketing year, other than paddy rice from the new crop, shall be taken into account:

- (a) as regards paddy rice taken into storage as the result of compulsory action, in respect of the whole;
- (b) as regards paddy rice taken into storage under action intended to avoid compulsory action, after deduction of a quantity corresponding to one-twelfth of the industry's total annual consumption for internal requirements.

The volume of such consumption shall be established in accordance with the procedure laid down in Article 7 of Regulation No 17/64/EEC.

3. Losses suffered or expenditure borne shall be calculated in each producer Member State on the basis of the difference between:

- the intervention price valid for the last month of the marketing season in the area having the greatest surplus in respect of 100 kilogrammes of paddy rice, plus the amount indicated below, and
- the target price valid in the same area for the first month of the following marketing year, in respect of the quantity of husked rice corresponding to such 100 kilogrammes of paddy rice, adjusted on the basis of the conversion scale, milling costs and value of by-products, determined in accordance with Article 7(c) and (d) of Regulation No 16/64/EEC.

The amount by which the intervention price shall be increased shall be equal to:

¹ OJ No 30, 20. 4. 1962, p.991/62.

² OJ No 34, 27. 2. 1964, p.586/64.

³ OJ No 34, 27. 2. 1964, p.574/64.

- two and a half monthly increases of the intervention price in respect of quantities resulting from compulsory action,
- two monthly increases of the intervention price in respect of quantities resulting from action intended to avoid, wholly or in part, compulsory action.

Each such monthly increase shall be equal to the average of the increases fixed in respect of the eight consecutive

months to which the grading of prices in Member State concerned applies for the last marketing year.

4. Security stocks set up in the absence of a decision by the Community shall not be financed by the Fund.

Article 2

The Fund's contribution to expenditure by a Member State shall not exceed that part of such Member State's actual expenditure which is eligible.

This Regulation shall be binding in its entirety and directly applicable in all Member States.

Done at Brussels, 25 October 1966.

For the Council

The President

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