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THE COUNCIL OF THE EUROPEAN COMMUNITIES,

Having regard to the Treaty establishing the European Economic Community and in particular Articles 42 and 43 thereof,

Having regard to the proposal from the Commission (1),

Having regard to the opinion of the European Parliament (2),

Having regard to the opinion of the Economic and Social Committee (3),

Whereas the prices and guarantees represented by the machinery introduced by Council Regulation (EEC) No 2727/75 of 29 October 1975 on the common organization of the market in cereals (4)encourage the growth of cereals production at a rate which is no longer in line with the absorption capacity of the market; whereas, in order to avoid a succession of increasingly serious crises, the current policy should be radically reformed; whereas that implies that the support provided by the market organization should be reorientated in such a way that it no longer depends solely on guaranteed prices;

Whereas the new orientation of the common agricultural policy must lead to better market equilibrium and to a better competitive position for Community agriculture; whereas that objective can be achieved by lowering the target price to a level representing an anticipated rate on a stabilized world market; whereas, so as not to encourage producers to opt for one particular crop, the target price should be the same for the major cereales;

Whereas the loss of income resulting from the drop in prices is offset by direct aid per hectare introduced by Regulation (EEC) No 1765/92 (5);

Whereas the structure of guaranteed prices must permit disposal of surpluses within the Community; whereas an intervention price should therefore be fixed at a lower level and a threshold price at a higher level than the target price;

Whereas the new structure of guaranteed prices leads to the elimination of the current provisions on derived prices;

Whereas the aid scheme provided for by Regulation (EEC) No 1765/92 replaces those for durum wheat and certain minor cereales; whereas those aids should therefore be discontinued;

Whereas the intervention agencies must be able, in special circumstances, to take intervention measures suited to those circumstances; whereas, however, so that the required uniformity of intervention systems may be maintained, those special circumstances should be assessed and the appropriate measures determined at Community level;

Whereas the intervention prices and threshold prices should, in the course of the marketing year, be subject to a certain number of monthly increases in order to take account, to some extent, of storage costs and interest charges for storing cereals in the Community and of the need to ensure that the disposal stocks conforms to market requirements;

Whereas potatoes intended for the production of starch are in direct competition with cereals intended for the production of starch; whereas, in view of the reform measures envisaged for cereals and to ensure equal treatment between the lines of production in question, similar measures

⁽¹⁾ OJ No C 303, 22. 11. 1991, p. 10.

⁽²⁾ OJ No C 125, 18. 5. 1992.

⁽³⁾ OJ No C 98, 21. 4. 1992, p. 15.

⁽⁴⁾ OJ No L 281, 1. 11. 1975, p. 1. As last amended by Regulation (EEC) No 1738/92 (OJ No L 180, 1. 7. 1992, p. 1).

⁽⁵⁾ See page 12 of this Official Journal

should be adopted with regard to potatoes intended for the production of starch:

Whereas the creatin of a single Community market for cereals involves, apart from a system of guaranteed prices, the introduction of a single trading system at the external frontiers of the Community; whereas a trading system including levies and export refunds, combined with intervention measures, also serves to stabilize the Community market, in particular by preventing price fluctuations on the world market from affecting prices ruling within the Community; whereas, therefore, provision should be made for charging a levy on imports from third countries and for the payment of a refund on exports to those countries, both being designed to cover the difference between prices ruling outside and within the Community; whereas, moreover, in respect of products processed from the cereals to which this Regulation applies, account should be taken of the need to ensure a measure of protection for the Community processing industry;

Whereas, in addition to the system described above, and to the extent necessary for its proper working, provision should be made for regulation or, when the situation on the market so requires, prohibiting totally or partially the use of 'inward processing arrangements';

Whereas the competent authorities must be in a position to monitor trade movements in order to assess market trends and to apply the measures laid down in this Regulation as necessary; whereas, to that end, provision should be made for the issue of import and export licences accompanied by the provision of security guaranteeing that the transactions for which such licences are requested are effected;

Whereas the levy system makes it possible to dispense with all other protective measures at the external frontiers of the Community; whereas, however, the common price and levy machinery may, in exceptional circumstances, prove defective whereas, in such cases, so as not to leave the Community market without defence against disturbances, the Community should be enabled to take all necessary measures without delay;

Whereas, in a situation of high prices on the world market, provision should be made for appropriate measures to be taken in order to safeguard Community supplies and to stabilize prices on Community markets;

Whereas the establishment of a single market based on a common price system would be jeopardized by the granting of certain aids; whereas, therefore, the provisions of the Treaty which allow the assessment of aids granted by Member States and the prohibition of those which are incompatible with the common market should be made to apply to cereals;

Whereas the common organization of the market in cereals must include the products of primary processing which contain cereals or certain products which do not contain cereals but which are directly interchangeable in their use with cereals or with products obtained from cereals;

Whereas, in order to facilitate implementation of the proposed measures, a procedure should be laid down for establishing close cooperation between Member States and the Commission within a Management Committee;

Whereas the common organization of the market in cereals must take appropriate account, at the same time, of the objectives set out in Articles 39 and 110 of the Treaty;

Whereas the expenditure incurred by the Member States as a result of the obligations arising out of the application of this Regulation falls on the Community in accordance with the provisions of Articles 2 and 3 of Council Regulation (EEC) no 729/70 of 21 April 1970 on the financing of the common agricultural policy (1);

Whereas the cut in common prices from the time of the entry into force of this Regulation is liable to disrupt the internal market; whereas provision should therefore be made for the possibility for the Commission to take any appropriate measures to avoid such disruptions;

Whereas, since their consolidation by Regulation (EEC) No 2727/75, several provisions concerning the organization of the market in cereals have been amended a number of times; whereas, by reason of their number, their complexity and their dispersal among various Official Journals, these texts are difficult to use and thus lack the clarity which should be an essential feature of all legislation; whereas they should, therefore, be updated,

HAS ADOPTED THIS REGULATION:

Article 1

1. The common organiszation of the market in cereals shall cover the following products:

CN code	Description
a) 0709 90 60	Sweet corn, fresh or chilled
0712 90 19	Dried sweet corn, whole, cut, sliced, broken or in powder, but not further prepared, other than hybrid for sowing
1001 90 91	Common wheat and meslin seed
1001 90 99	Spelt, common wheat and meslin other than for sowing
1002 00 00	Rye
1003 00	Barley
1004 00	Oats
1005 10 90	Maize (corn) other than hybrid
1005 90 00	Maize (corn) other than seed
1007 00 90	Grain sorghum, other than hybrid, for sowing
1008	Buckwheat, millet and canary seed; other cereals
b) 1001 10	Durum wheat
c) 1101 00 00	Wheat or meslin flour
1102 10 00	Rye flour
1103 11	Groats and meal of wheat
1107	Malt, whether or not roasted
d)	The products listed in Annex A

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2. This Regulation shall apply notwithstanding the measures provided for by Council Regulation (EC) No 1251/1999 of 17 May 1999 establishing a support system for producers of certain arable crops (2).

⁽¹⁾ OJ No L 94, 28. 4. 1970, p. 13. As amended by Regulation (EEC) No 2048/88 (OJ No L 185, 15. 7. 1988, p. 1).

⁽²⁾ OJ L 160, 26.6.1999, p. 1.

The marketing year for all products listed in Article 1 shall begin on 1 July and end on 30 June of the following year.

TITLE 1

Pricing and intervention system

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Article 3

- 1. An intervention price for cereals subject to intervention shall be fixed at:
- EUR 110,25/t for the 2000/2001 marketing year,
- EUR 101,31/t from the 2001/2002 marketing year onwards.

The intervention price valid for maize and grain sorghum in May shall remain valid in July, August and September of the same year.

- 2. The intervention price shall be subject to monthly increases for the whole or part of the marketing year. The amounts of the monthly increases and their number are determined in accordance with the procedure laid down in Article 37(2) of the Treaty.
- 3. The intervention price shall refer to the wholesale stage for goods delivered to the warehouse, before unloading. It shall be valid for all Community intervention centres designated for each cereal.
- 4. The prices fixed in this Regulation may be changed in the light of developments in production and the markets in accordance with the procedure laid down in Article 37(2) of the Treaty. In particular a decision upon a final reduction in the intervention price to be applied from 2002/2003 onwards will be taken in the light of market developments.

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Article 4

- 1. The intervention agencies designated by the Member States shall buy in common wheat, durum wheat, rye, barley, maize and sorghum which are offered to them and have been harvested in the Community, provided that the offers comply with conditions laid down, in particular in respect of quality and quantity.
- 2. Buying-in may take place only in the following periods:
- from 1 August to 30 April in the case of Italy, Spain, Greece and Portugal,

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- from 1 December to 30 June in the case of Sweden.
 - In the event of the intervention period in Sweden leading to the diversion of the products referred to in paragraph 1 from other Member States into intervention in Sweden, the Commission shall adopt detailed rules to rectify the position in accordance with Article 23.

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- from 1 November to 31 May in the case of the other Member States.
- 3. Buying-in shall be carried out on the basis of the intervention price, if necessary after a price increase or reduction for quality reasons.

Article 5

Detailed rules for the application of Articles 3 and 4 shall be adopted in accordance with the procedure laid down in Article 23, in particular as regards:

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— the determination of the intervention centres,

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- the minimum conditions, in particular with respect to quality and quantity required of each cereal for it to be eligible for intervention,
- the scales of price increase and reduction applicable to intervention,
- the procedures and conditions for taking over by the intervention agencies,
- the procedures and conditions for disposal by the intervention agencies.

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Article 6

Where the market situation so dictates, special intervention measures may be decided on.

Such intervention measures may in particular be taken if, in one or more regions of the Community market prices fall, or threaten to fall, in relation to the intervention price.

2. The nature and application of the special intervention measures and the conditions and procedures for the sale or for any other means of disposal of the products subject to those measures shall be determined in accordance with the procedure laid down in Article 23.

Article 7

A production refund may be granted for starch obtained from maize, wheat or potatoes and for certain derivatives used in the manufacture of certain goods.

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In the absence of a significant domestic production of other cereals for the production of starch, a production refund may be granted for starch obtained in Finland and Sweden from barley and oats, insofar as it does not entail an increase in the level of starch production from these two cereals, above:

- 50 000 tonnes in Finland.
- 10 000 tonnes in Sweden.

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A list of the goods referred to in the first subparagraph shall be drawn up in accordance with the procedure laid down in paragraph 3.

- 2. The refund referred to in paragraph 1 shall be fixed periodically.
- The Commission shall adopt detailed rules for the application of this Article and shall fix the amount of the said refund in accordance with the procedure laid down in Article 23.

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Article 8

- A minimum price for potatoes intended for the manufacture of potato starch shall be set at:
- EUR 194,05/t for the 2000/2001 marketing year;
- EUR 178, 31/t from the 2001/2002 marketing year onwards.

This price applies to the quantity of potatoes, delivered to the factory, which is needed for making one tonne of starch.

A decision upon a further reduction in the minimum price to be applied from the 2002/2003 marketing year onwards will be taken in the light of the final reduction in the intervention price for cereals.

- A system of payments shall be established for producers of potatoes intended for the manufacture of potato starch. The amount of the payment applies to the quantity of potatoes needed for making one tonne of starch. It shall be set at:
- EUR 98,74/t for the 2000/2001 marketing year,

— EUR 110,54/t from the 2001/2002 marketing year onwards.

The amount of EUR 110,54/t may be increased from the 2002/2003 marketing year onwards in the light of the final reduction in the intervention price for cereals.

The payment shall be paid only in respect of the quantity of potatoes covered by a cultivation contract between the potato producer and the starch manufacturer within the limit of the quota allocated to such undertaking, as referred to in Article 2(2) of Council Regulation (EC) No 1868/94 of 27 July 1994 establishing a quota system in relation to the production of potato starch (1).

- 3. The minimum price and the payment shall be adjusted according to the starch content of the potatoes.
- 4. If the situation on the potato starch market makes it necessary, the Council shall adopt the appropriate measures in accordance with the procedure laid down in Article 37(2) of the Treaty.
- 5. The Commission shall adopt the detailed rules for applying this Article following the procedure laid down in Article 23.

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TITLE II

Article 9

1 Imports into the Community, or exports therefrom, of any of the products listed in Article 1 shall be subject to presentation of an import or export licence.

Licences shall be issued by the Member States to any applicant, irrespective of his place of establishment in the Community and without prejudice to measures taken for the application of Articles 12 and 13.

Import and export licences shall be valid throughout the Community. Such licences shall be issued subject to the lodging of a security guaranteeing that the products are imported or exported during the term of validity of the licence; except in cases of *force majeure*, the security shall be forfeited in whole or in part if import or export is not carried out, or is only carried out partially, within that period.

2. The term of validity of licences and other detailed rules for the application of this Article shall be adopted in accordance with the procedure laid down in Article 23.

Article 10

- 1. Unless this Regulation provides otherwise, the rates of duty in the Common Customs Tariff shall apply to the products listed in Article 1.
- 2. Notwithstanding paragraph 1, the import duty on products covered by CN codes ex 1001 other than merlin, 1002, 1003, ex 1005 other than hybrid seed, and ex 1007 other than hybrid for sowing, shall be equal to the intervention price valid for such products on importation and increased by 55 %, minus the cif, import price applicable to the consignment in question. However, that duty may not exceed the rate of duty in the Common Customs Tariff.
- 3. For the purposes of calculating the import charge referred to in paragraph 2:
- (a) for products listed in paragraph 2 expressed in one standard quality or, as appropriate, subdivided into several (common wheat: high, medium, low; durum wheat; maize; other fodder grains) representative cif import prices shall be recorded on the basis of the prices for those qualities on the world market.

Such representative cif import prices shall be established regularly;

⁽¹) OJ L 197, 30.7.1994, p. 4. Regulation as last amended by Regulation (EC) No 1284/98 (OJ L 178, 23.6.1998, p. 3).

- (b) each consignment for import shall be classified according to the nearest quality among the standard qualities referred to in (a).
- 4. Detailed rules for the application of this Article shall be adopted in accordance with the procedure laid down in Article 23.

The detailed rules shall in particular specify:

- the standard qualities to be used,
- the price quotations to be taken into consideration,
- the method of calculating the import charge for each consignment classified according to one of the standard qualities referred to in paragraph 3 (a),
- the possibility, where appropriate in specific cases, of giving operators the opportunity of knowing the charge applicable before the arrival of the consignments concerned.

Article 11

- 1. Without prejudice to Article 10 (2), in order to prevent or counteract adverse effects on the market in the Community which may result from imports of certain products listed in Article 1, imports of one or more of such products at the rate of duty laid down in Article 10 shall be subject to payment of an additional import duty if the conditions set out in Article 5 of the Agreement on Agriculture concluded in accordance with Article 228 of the Treaty in the framework of the Uruguay Round of multilateral trade negotiations have been fulfilled unless the imports are unlikely to disturb the Community market, or where the effects would be disproportionate to the intended objective.
- 2. The trigger prices below which an additional import duty may be imposed shall be those forwarded to the World Trade Organization by the Community.

The trigger quantities which must be exceeded in order for an additional import duty to be imposed shall be determined, *inter alia*, on the basis of imports into the Community in the three years preceding that in which the adverse effects referred to in paragraph 1 arise or seem likely to arise.

3. The import prices to be taken into consideration when imposing an additional import duty shall be determined on the basis of the cif import prices of the consignment concerned.

Cif import prices shall be checked to that end against the representative prices for the product on the world market or on the Community import market for that product.

- 4. The Commission shall adopt detailed rules for the application of this Article in accordance with the procedure laid down in Article 23. Such detailed rules shall specify in particular:
- (a) the products to which additional import duties may be applied pursuant to Article 5 of the Agreement on Agriculture;
- (b) the other criteria necessary for application of paragraph 1 in accordance with Article 5 of the said Agreement.

Article 12

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1. Tariff quotas for the products listed in Article 1 resulting from agreements concluded in accordance with Article 300 of the Treaty or from any other act of the Council pursuant to the Treaty shall be opened and administered in accordance with detailed rules adopted under the procedure laid down in Article 23.

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- 2. Quotas may be administered using one of the following methods or by a combination thereof:
- method based on the order in which applications are submitted (on a 'first come, first served' basis),

- method allocating quotas in proportion to the quantities requested when applications are submitted (using the 'simultaneous examination' method),
- method based on traditional trade flows (using the 'traditional/new arrivals' method).

Other appropriate methods may be adopted.

They must avoid any discrimination between the operators concerned.

- 3. The method of administration adopted shall, where appropriate, give due weight to the supply requirements of the Community market and the need to safeguard the equilibrium of that market, whilst at the same time possibly drawing on methods which may have been applied in the past to quotas corresponding to those referred to in paragraph 1, without prejudice to the rights resulting from agreements concluded in the framework of the Uruguay Round negotiations.
- 4. The detailed rules referred to in paragraph 1 shall provide for the opening of annual quotas, if necessary suitably phased over the year, determine the method of administration to be applied and include, where appropriate, provision for:
- (a) guarantees covering the nature, provenance and origin of the product;
- (b) recognition of the document used for verifying the guarantees referred to in (a); and
- (c) the conditions under which import licences are issued and their term of validity.

In the case of the quota for import into Spain of 2 000 000 tonnes of maize and 300 000 tonnes of sorghum and the quota for import into Portugal of 500 000 tonnes of maize, those detailed rules shall also include the provisions necessary for carrying out the quota imports and, where appropriate, the public storage of the quantities imported by the intervention agencies of the Member States concerned and their disposal on the markets of those Member States.

Article 13

1. To the extent necessary to enable the products listed in Article 1 to be exported without further processing or in the form of goods listed in Annex B on the basis of quotations or prices for those products on the world market and within the limits resulting from agreements concluded in accordance with Article 228 of the Treaty, the difference between those quotations or prices and prices in the Community may be covered by export refunds.

Export refunds on the products listed in Article 1 in the form of goods listed in Annex B may not be higher than those applicable to such products exported without further processing.

- 2. The method adopted for allocating quantities eligible for export refund shall be that:
- (a) best suited to the nature of the product and to the situation on the market concerned, and that will allow the available resources to be used as efficiently as possible, account being taken of the efficiency and structure of Community exports without, however, creating discrimination between large and small operators;
- (b) which is least cumbersome administratively for operators, account being taken of administration requirements;
- (c) which avoids any discrimination between the operators concerned.
- 3. Refunds shall be the same for the whole Community. They may vary according to destination, where the situation on the world market or the specific requirements of certain markets so necessitate.

Refunds shall be fixed in accordance with the procedure laid down in Article 23.

Refunds may be fixed:

- (a) at regular intervals;
- (b) by invitation to tender for products in respect of which provision was made for that procedure in the past.

Refunds fixed at regular intervals may, where necessary, be adjusted in the intervening period by the Commission at the request of a Member State or on its own initiative.

- 4. Refunds on products listed in Article 1 and exported without further processing shall only be granted on application and on presentation of the relevant export licence.
- 5. The refund applicable to exports of products listed in Article 1 exported without further processing shall be that applicable on the day of application for the licence and, in the case of a differentiated refund, that applicable on the same day:
- (a) for the destination indicated on the licence or, where appropriate;
- (b) for the real destination, if it is not the same as that indicated on the licence. In that case, the amount applicable shall not exceed the amount applicable for the destination on the licence.

Appropriate measures may be adopted to prevent the flexibility of this paragraph from being misused.

- 6. Paragraphs 4 and 5 may be made to apply to products listed in Article 1 and exported in the form of goods listed in Annex B in accordance with the procedure laid down in Article 16 of Regulation (EC) No 3448/93.
- 7. Paragraphs 4 and 5 may be waived in the case of products listed in Article 1 on which refunds are paid under food-aid operations, in accordance with the procedure laid down in Article 23.
- 8. Save as otherwise provided in accordance with the procedure laid down in Article 23, the refund on products listed in Article 1 (1) (a) and (b) in accordance with paragraph 5 shall be adjusted in line with the level of the monthly increases applicable to the intervention price and, where appropriate, changes in that price.

A corrective amount may be fixed in accordance with the procedure laid down in Article 23. However, the Commission may, where necessary, alter corrective amounts.

The first and second subparagraphs may be applied, in whole or in part, to products listed in Article 1 (1) (c) and (d) and to products listed in Article 1 and exported in the form of goods listed in Annex B. In that case, the adjustment referred to in the first subparagraph shall be corrected by applying to the monthly increase a coefficient expressing the ratio between the quantity of basic product and the quantity of the latter contained in the processed product exported or used in the goods exported.

For the first three months of the marketing year, the refund applicable to exports of malt in storage at the end of the previous marketing year or made from barley in stock at that time shall be that which would have been applied in respect of the certificate in question to exports during the last month of the preceding marketing year.

- 9. In so far as is necessary to take account of the features of production peculiar to certain spirituous beverages obtained from cereals, the criteria for granting export refunds as provided for in paragraph 1 and the procedures for verification may be adapted to fit this particular situation.
- 10. Compliance with the limits on volumes arising from agreements concluded in accordance with Article 228 of the Treaty shall be ensured on the basis of the export certificates issued for the reference periods provided for therein and applicable to the products concerned. With regard to compliance with the obligations arising under the Agreement on Agriculture, the ending of a reference period shall not affect the validity of export licences.

11. Detailed rules for the application of this Article, including the arrangements for redistributing unallocated and unused quantities, and in particular those on the adaptation provided for in paragraph 9 shall be adopted in accordance with the procedure laid down in Article 23. Annex B shall be amended in accordance with the same procedure. However, detailed rules for the application of paragraph 6 to products referred to in Article 1 and exported in the form of goods referred to in the Annex, shall be adopted in accordance with the procedure laid down in Article 16 of Regulation (EC) No 3448/93.

Article 14

- 1. To the extent necessary for the proper working of the common organization of the market in cereals, the Council, acting in accordance with the procedure laid down in Article 43 (2) of the Treaty on a proposal from the Commission, may prohibit in whole or in part the use of inward processing arrangements:
- in respect of products listed in Article 1 which are intended for the manufacture of products listed in Article 1 (1) (c) and (d), and
- in special cases, in respect of products listed in Article 1 which are intended for the manufacture of goods listed in Annex B.
- 2. By way of derogation from paragraph 1, if the situation referred to in paragraph 1 arises with exceptional urgency and the Community market is disturbed or is liable to be disturbed by inward processing arrangements, the Commission shall, at the request of a Member State or on its own initiative, decide upon the necessary measures; the Council and the Member States shall be notified of such measures, which shall be valid for no more than six months and shall be immediately applicable. If the Commission receives a request from a Member State, it shall take a decision thereon within a week following receipt of the request.
- 3. Measures decided on by the Commission may be referred to the Council by any Member State within a week of the day on which they were notified. The Council, acting by a qualified majority, may confirm amend or repeal the Commission decision. If the Council has not acted within three months, the Commission decision shall be deemed to have been repealed.

Article 15

- 1. The general rules for the interpretation of the combined nomenclature and the special rules for its application shall apply to the tariff classification of products covered by this Regulation; the tariff nomenclature resulting from the application of this Regulation shall be incorporated in the Common Customs Tariff.
- 2. Save as otherwise provided for in this Regulation or pursuant to a provision thereof, the following shall be prohibited in trade with third countries;
- the levying of any charge having equivalent effect to a customs duty,
- the application of any quantitative restriction or measure having equivalent effect.

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Article 16

- 1. Where the quotations or prices on the world market for one or more of the products listed in Article 1 reach a level which disrupts or threatens to disrupt the availability of supply on the Community market, and where that situation is likely to continue and to deteriorate, appropriate measures may be taken. Such measures may be taken as a safeguard measure in cases of extreme emergency.
- 2. Detailed rules for the application of this Article shall be adopted in accordance with the procedure laid down in Article 23.

1. If, by reason of an increase in imports or exports, the Community market in one or more of the products listed in Article 1 is affected by, or is threatened with, serious disturbance likely to jeopardize the achievement of the objectives set out in Article 39 of the Treaty, appropriate measures may be applied in trade with third countries until such disturbance or threat of disturbance has ceased.

The Council, acting on a proposal from the Commission in accordance with the voting procedure laid down in Article 43 (2) of the Treaty, shall adopt the general rules for application of this paragraph and shall determine the cases and limits within which Member States may take protective measures.

- 2. If the situation referred to in paragraph 1 arises, the Commission shall, at the request of a Member State or on its own initiative, decide upon the necessary measures; the Member States shall be notified of such measures, which shall be immediately applicable. If the Commission receives a request from a Member State, it shall take a decision thereon within three working days following receipt of the request.
- 3. Measures decided upon by the Commission may be referred to the Council by any Member State within three working days of the day on which they were notified. The Council shall meet without delay. It may, acting by a qualified majority, amend or annul the measure in question.
- 4. This Article shall be applied having regard to the obligations arising from agreements concluded in accordance with Article 228 (2) of the Treaty.

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TITLE III

General provisions

Article 18

Goods listed in Article 1 which are manufactured or obtained from products to which Articles 9 (2) and 10 (1) of the Treaty do not apply shall not be admitted to free circulation within the Community.

Article 19

Save as otherwise provided in this Regulation, Articles 92 to 94 of the Treaty shall apply to the production of, and trade in, the products listed in Article 1.

Article 20

Article 40 (4) of the Treaty and the relevant provisions for the implementation of Article 40 shall, so far as the Guarantee Section of the European Agricultural Guidance and Guarantee Fund is concerned, apply to the French overseas departments in respect of the products referred to in Article 1.

Article 21

Member States and the Commission shall communicate to each other the information necessary for implementing this Regulation and for complying with the international obligations concerning cereals. Rules for the communication and distribution of such information shall be adopted in accordance with the procedure laid down in Article 23.

Article 22

- 1. A Management Committee for Cereals (hereinafter called the 'Committee') shall be established, consisting of representatives of the Member States and chaired by a representative of the Commission.
- 2. Within the Committee, the votes of Member States shall be weighted in accordance with Article 148 (2) of the Treaty. The Chairman shall not vote.

1. Where the procedure laid down in this Article is to be followed, the Chairman shall refer the matter to the Committee, either on his own initiative or at the request of the representative of a Member State.

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2. The representative of the Commission shall submit to the Committee a draft of the measures to be taken. The Committee shall deliver its opinion within two days. The opinion shall be delivered by the majority laid down in Article 148 (2) of the Treaty in the case of decisions which the Council is required to adopt on a proposal from the Commission. The votes of the representatives of the Member States within the Committee shall be weighted in the manner set out in that Article. The Chairman shall not vote.

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3. The Commission shall adopt measures which shall apply immediately. However, if these measures are not in accordance with the opinion of the Committee, they shall forthwith be communicated by the Commission to the Council. In that event the Commission may defer application of the measures which it has adopted for not more than one month from the date of such communication.

The Council, acting by a qualified majority, may take a different decision within one month.

Article 24

The Committee may consider any other question referred to it by its Chairman either on his own initiative or at the request of the representative of a Member State.

Article 25

This Regulation shall be so applied that appropriate account is taken, at the same time, of the objectives set out in Articles 39 and 110 of the Treaty.

Article 26

1. Council Regulation No 2727/75 is hereby repealed with effect from the 1993/94 marketing year.

References to the Regulation repealed by paragraph 1 shall be construed as references to this Regulation.

A table is provided in Annex C for the purposes of correlating citations of and references to the Articles of that Regulation with those of this Regulation.

- 2. The following Regulations are hereby repealed:
- with effect from the 1992/93 marketing year:
 - Regulations (EEC) No 729/89 and (EEC) No 1346/90,
- with effect from the beginning of the 1993/94 marketing year:
 - Regulations (EEC) No 2743/75, (EEC) No 2744/75, (EEC) No 2745/75, (EEC) No 2746/75, (EEC) No 2747/75 with regard to cereals, (EEC) No 2748/75, (EEC) No 1145/76, (EEC) No 3103/76, (EEC) No 1188/81, (EEC) No 1008/86, (EEC) No 1009/86 with regard to cereals, (EEC) No 1581/86, (EEC) No 1582/86, (EEC) No 2226/88 and (EEC) No 1835/89.
- 3. To facilitate the transition from the current arrangement as regards the common organization of the market in cereals to the arrangements resulting from this Regulation, or to facilitate the transition from one marketing year to the next during the 1993/94, 1994/95 and 1995/96 marketing years, the Commission, acting in accordance with the procedure laid down in Article 23 may adopt any transitional measures deemed appropriate.

This Regulation shall enter into force on the day of its publication in the *Official Journal of the European Communities*.

It shall apply as from the 1993/94 marketing year with the exception of the provisions of Article 26 (2), first indent and (3) which shall apply as from 1 July 1992.

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

$ANNEX\ A$

(Article 1, (d))

CN code	Description
0714	Manioc, arrowroot, salep, Jerusalem artichokes, sweet potatoes and similar roots and tubers with high starch or inulin content, fresh or dried, whether or not sliced or in the form of pellets; sago pith:
ex 1102	Cereal flours other than of wheat or meslin:
1102 20	— Maize (corn) flour
1102 90	— Other:
1102 90 10	— — Barley flour
1102 90 30	— — Oat flour
1102 90 90	— — Other
ex 1103	Cereal groats, meal and pellets with the exception of groats and meal of wheat (subheading 1103 11), groats and meal of rice (subheading 1103 14 00) and pellets of rice (subheading 1103 29 50)
ex 1104	Cereal grains otherwise worked (for example, hulled, rolled, flaked pearled, sliced or kibbled), except riche of heading No 1006 and flaked rice of subheading 1104 19 91; germ of cereals, whole, rolled, flaked or ground
1106 20	Flour and meal of sago, roots or tubers of heading No 0714
ex 1108	Starches; inulin:
	— Starches:
1108 11 00	— — Wheat starch
1108 12 00	— — Maize (corn) starch
1108 13 00	— — Potato starch
1108 14 00	— — Manioc (cassava) starch
ex 1108 19	— — Other starches:
1108 19 90	— — Other
1109 00 00	Wheat gluten, whether or not dried
1702	Other sugars, including chemically pure lactose, maltose, glucose and fructose, in solid form; sugar syrups not containing added flavouring or colouring matter; artificial honey, whether or not mixed with natural honey; caramel:
ex 1702 30	— Glucose and glucose syrup, not containing fructose or containing in the dry state less than 20 % by weight of fructose:
	— — Other:
	— — Other:
1702 30 91	———— In the form of white crystalline powder, whether or not agglomerated
1702 30 99	Other
ex 1702 40	— Glucose and glucose syrup containing, in the dry state, at least 20 % but less than 50 % by weight of fructose, but excluding isoglucose of subheading 1702 40 10
ex 1702 90	— Other, including invert sugar:
1702 90 50	— — Maltodextrine and maltodextrine syrup:
	— — Caramel:
	— — Other:
1702 90 75	— — — In powder form whether or not agglomerated
1702 90 79	Other
2106	Food preparations not elsewhere specified or included:
ex 2106 90	— Other:
	— — Flavoured or coloured syrups:
	— Flavoured or coloured syrups: — — Other:
2106 90 55	— — — Glucose syrup and maltodextrine syrup

▼<u>B</u>

	CN code	Description
	ex 2302	Bran, sharps and other residues, whether or not in the form of pellets, derived from the sifting, milling or other working of cereals
	ex 2303	Residues of starch manufacture and similar residues, beetpulp, bagasse and other waste of sugar manufacture, brewing of distilling dregs and waste, whether or not inthe form of pellets:
	2303 10	Residues of starch manufacture and similar residues
	2303 30 00	— Brewing or distilling dregs and waste
▼ <u>M3</u>	2306	Oil-cake and other solid residues, whether or not ground or in the form of pellets, resulting form the extraction of vegetables fats or oils, other than those of headings 2304 and 2305:
	2306 90	— Other:
		— — Other:
	2306 90 91	— — Of germ of maize
▼ <u>B</u>	2308	Vegetable materials and vegetable waste, vegetable residues and by-products, whether or not in the form of pellets, of a kind used in animal feeding, not elsewhere specified or included:
	2308 10 00	— Acorns and horse-chestnuts
	ex 2308 90	— Other:
	2308 90 30	— — Pomace or marc of fruits, other than grapes
	2309	Preparations of a kind used in animal feeding:
	ex 2309 10	— Dog or cat food, put up for retail sale:
	2309 10 11 2309 10 13 2309 10 31 2309 10 33 2309 10 51 2309 10 53	— Containing starch, glucose, glucose syrup, maltodextrine or maltodextrine syrup falling within subheadings 1702 30 51to 1702 30 99, 1702 40 90, 1702 90 50 and 2106 90 55 or milkproducts (¹)except preparations and feedingstuffs containing 50 % or more by weight of milk products
	ex 2309 90	— Other:
	2309 90 31 2309 90 33 2309 90 41 2309 90 43 2309 90 51 2309 90 53	— Other, containing starch, glucose, glucose syrup, maltodextrine or maltodextrine syrup falling within subheadings 1702 30 51 to 1702 30 99, 1702 40 90, 1702 90 50 and 2106 90 55 or milkproducts (¹) except preparations and feeding-stuffs containing 50 % or more by weight of milk products

⁽ $^{\rm i}$) For the purposes of this subheading 'milk products' means products falling within heading Nos 0401 to 0406 as well as subheadings 1702 10 and 2106 90 51.

ANNEX B

CN code	Description	
ex 0403	Buttermilk, curdled milk and cream, yoghurt, kephir and other fermented or acidified milk and cream, containing added fruit, nuts or cocoa, whether or not concentrated or containing added or other sweetening matter:	
0403 10	- Yoghurt:	
0403 10 51 to 0403 10 99	Flavoured or containing added fruit, nuts or cocoa	
0403 90	- Other:	
0403 90 71 to 0403 90 99	Flavoured or containing added fruit, nuts or cocoa	
ex 0710	Vegetables (uncooked or cooked by steaming or boiling in water), frozen:	
0710 40 00	- Sweet corn	
ex 0711	Vegetables provisionally preserved (for example, by sulphur dioxide gas, in brine, in sulphur water or in other preservative solutions), but unsuitable in that state for immediate consumption:	
0711 90 30	- Sweet corn	
ex 1704	Sugar confectionery (including white chocolate), not containing cocoa, except liquorice extract of subheading 1704 90 10	
1806	Chocolate and other food preparations containing cocoa	
ex 1901	Malt extract; food preparations of flour, meal, starch or malt extract, not containing cocoa or containing less than 40 % by weight of cocoa calculated on a totally defatted basis, not elsewhere specified or included; food preparations of goods of headings Nos 0401 to 0404, not containing cocoa or containing less than 5 % by weight of cocoa calculated on a totally defatted basis, not elsewhere specified or included:	
1901 10 00	- Preparations for infant use, put up for retail sale	
1901 20 00	- Mixes and doughs for the preparation of bakers' wares of heading No 1905	
1901 90	- Other:	
1901 90 11 to 1901 90 19	Malt extract	
	- Other:	
1901 90 99	Other	
ex 1902	Pasta, whether or not cooked or stuffed (with meat or other substances) or otherwise prepared, such as spaghetti, macaroni, noodles, lasagne, gnocchi, ravioli, cannelloni; couscous, whether or not prepared:	
	- Uncooked pasta, not stuffed or otherwise prepared:	
1902 11 00	Containing eggs	
1902 19	Other	
ex 1902 20	- Stuffed pasta (whether or not cooked or otherwise prepared):	
	- Other:	
1902 20 91	Cooked	
1902 20 99	Other	
1902 30	– Other pasta	
1902 40	- Couscous	
1903 00 00	Tapioca and substitutes therefor prepared from starch, in the form of flakes, grains, pearls, sittings or similar forms	
1904	Prepared foods obtained by the swelling or roasting of cereals or cereal products (for example, corn flakes); cereals (other than maize(corn)) in grain form, precooked or otherwise prepared	
ex 1905	Bread, pastry, cakes, biscuits and other bakers' wares, whether or not containing cocoa; communion wafers, empty cachets of a kind suitable for pharmaceutical use, sealing wafers, rice paper and similar products	
ex 2001	Vegetables, fruit, nuts and other edible parts of plants, prepared or preserved by vinegar or acetic acid:	
	- Other:	

CN code	Description
2001 90 30	Sweet corn (Zea mays var. saccharata)
2001 90 40	Yams, sweet potatoes and similar edible parts of plants containing 5 % or moby weight of starch
ex 2004	Other vegetables prepared or preserved otherwise than by vinegar or acetic actifrozen, other than products of heading No 2006:
	- Potatoes:
	Other:
2004 10 91	In the form of flour, meal or flakes
	- Other vegetables and mixtures of vegetables:
2004 90 10	Sweet corn (Zea mays var. saccharata)
ex 2005	Other vegetables prepared or preserved otherwise than by vinegar or acetic act not frozen, other than products of heading No 2006:
	- Potatoes:
2005 20 10	- In the form of flour, meal or flakes
2005 80 00	- Sweet corn (Zea mays var. saccharata)
ex 2008	Fruit, nuts and other edible parts of plants, otherwise prepared or preserve whether or not containing added sugar or other sweetening matter or spirit, relsewhere specified or included:
	- Nuts, ground-nuts and other seeds, whether or not mixed together:
	- Other:
	Not containing added spirit:
	Not containing added sugar:
2008 99 85	Maize (corn), other than sweet corn (Zea mays var. saccharata)
2008 99 91	Yams, sweet potatoes and similar edible parts of plants, containing 5 % more by weight of starch
ex 2101	Extracts, essences and concentrates of coffee, tea or maté and preparations with basis of these products or with a basis of coffee, tea or maté; roasted chicory a other roasted coffee substitutes, and extracts, essences and concentrates thereof:
	 Preparations with a basis of these extracts, essences or concentrates or with basis of coffee:
2101 12 98	Other
2101 20	 Extracts, essences and concentrates, of tea or maté, and preparations with a basis of these extracts, essences or concentrates, or with a basis of tea or maté:
2101 20 98	Other
2101 30	 Roasted chicory and other roasted coffee substitutes, and extracts, essences a concentrates thereof:
	Roasted chicory and other roasted coffee substitutes:
2101 30 19	Other
	 – Extracts, essences and concentrates of roasted chicory and other roasted coff substitutes:
2101 30 99	Other
ex 2102	Yeasts (active or inactive); other single-cell micro-organisms, dead (but r including vaccines of heading No 3002); prepared baking powders:
	- Active yeasts
2102 10 31 and 2102 10 39	Bakers' yeast
2105 00	Ice cream and other edible ice, whether or not containing cocoa
ex 2106	Food preparations not elsewhere specified or included:
	- Other:
2106 90 10	Cheese fondues
	Other:
2106 90 92	Containing no milk fats, sucrose, isoglucose, glucose or starch or containing by weight, less than 1,5 % milk fat, 5 % sucrose or isoglucose, 5 % glucose starch

CN code	Description
2106 90 98	Other
2202	Waters, including mineral waters and aerated water, containing added sugar or other sweetening matter or flavoured, and other non-alcoholic beverages, not including fruit or vegetable juices of heading No 2009
2205	Vermouth and other wine or fresh grapes flavoured with plants or aromatic substances
ex 2208	Undenatured ethyl alcohol of an alcoholic strength by volume of less than 80 % vol; spirits, liqueurs and other spirituous beverages:
	- Whiskies:
2208 30 32 to 2208 30 88	Other than Bourbon whiskey
2208 50	- Gin and Geneva
2208 60	- Vodka
2208 70	- Liqueurs and cordials
	- Other:
	- Other spirits and other spirituous beverages, in containers holding:
	2 litres or less:
2208 90 41	Ouzo
	Other:
	Spirits (excluding liqueurs):
	Other:
2208 90 52	Korn
2208 90 57	Other
2208 90 69	Other spirituous beverages
	More than 2 litres:
	Spirits (excluding liqueurs):
2208 90 74	Other
2208 90 78	Other spirituous beverages
2905 43 00	Mannitol
2905 44	D-glucitol (sorbitol)
ex 3302	Mixtures of odoriferous substances and mixtures (including alcoholic solutions) with a basis of one or more of these substances, of a kind used as raw materials in industry; other preparations based on odoriferous substances, of a kind used for the manufacture of beverages:
	- Of a kind used in the food or drink industries:
	Of a kind used in the drink industries:
	Preparations containing all flavouring agents characterising a beverage:
	Other (of an actual alcoholic strength by volume not exceeding 0,5 %):
3302 10 29	Other
ex Chapter 35	Albuminoidal substances; modified starches, glues; enzymes:
3505	Dextrins and other modified starches (for example, pregelatinised or esterified starchs); glues based on starches, or on dextrins or other modified starches
ex 3809	Finishing agents, dye carriers to accelerate dyeing or fixing of dyestuffs and other products and preparations (for example, dressings and mordants), of a kind used in the textile, paper, leather or like industries, not elsewhere specified or included:
3809 10	- With a basis of amylaceous substances
3824 60	Sorbitol other than that of subheading 2905 44

ANNEX C

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