COMMISSION DECISION

of 29 November 1973

authorizing the Republic of France to allow the marketing of seeds of white clover subject to reduced requirements up to and including 30 June 1974

(Only the French text is authentic)

(73/436/EEC)

THE COMMISSION OF THE EUROPEAN COMMUNITIES,

Having regard to the Treaty establishing the European Economic Community;

Having regard to the Council Directive of 14 June 1966 (¹) concerning the marketing of fodder-plant seeds, as last amended by the Council Directive of 6 December 1972 (²) and in particular Article 17 thereof;

Having regard to the request from the Republic of France:

Whereas the production of seeds of the category 'certified seed' of the sub-specie *Trifolium repens* L. var. *giganteum* is too low and is therefore insufficient to meet the provisioning needs of the Republic of France;

Whereas it is impossible to supply these needs satisfactorily from certified seed in other Member States;

Whereas it is consequently appropriate to authorize the Republic of France to allow the marketing of seeds of the sub-specie *Trifolium repens* L. var. *giganteum* subject to reduced requirements up to and including 30 June 1974;

Whereas the measures provided for in this Decision are in accordance with the Opinion of the Permanent Committee for Agricultural, Horticultural and Forestry Plants,

HAS ADOPTED THIS DECISION:

Article 1

The Republic of France is authorized to allow the marketing on its territory of a maximum of 450 tons

of non certified seed of the sub-specie *Trifolium re*pens L. var. giganteum up to and including 30 June 1974, under the following conditions;

- (a) the seeds comply with the conditions fixed in Annex II of the Council Directive of 14 June 1966 concerning the marketing of fodder-plant seeds;
- (b) the packaging of the seeds in question is provided with an official label, coloured brown, bearing at least the following information:
 - an indication that the seeds have not been officially certified,
 - controlling authority,
 - the specie,
 - the reference number of the lot,
 - the declared net or gross weight.

Article 2

The Republic of France will report to the Commission before 1 October 1974 the quantities of seed subject to reduced requirements, which have been allowed to be marketed on its territory under the authority of the present Decision. The Commission will inform the other Member States of these quantities.

Article 3

This Decision is addressed to the Republic of France.

Done at Brussels, 29 November 1973.

For the Commission

The President

François-Xavier ORTOLI

⁽¹⁾ OJ No 125, 11. 7. 1966, p. 2298/66.

⁽²⁾ OJ No L 287, 26. 12. 1972, p. 22.