

COMMISSION DECISION

of 17 December 1980

approving a programme for the improvement of wholesale marketing conditions and for the intermediate distribution of fresh fruit and vegetables in the Netherlands, pursuant to Council Regulation (EEC) No 355/77

(Only the Dutch text is authentic)

(80/1338/EEC)

THE COMMISSION OF THE EUROPEAN COMMUNITIES,

Having regard to the Treaty establishing the European Economic Community,

Having regard to Council Regulation (EEC) No 355/77 of 15 February 1977 on common measures to improve the conditions under which agricultural products are processed and marketed ⁽¹⁾, and in particular Article 5 thereof,

Whereas, on 11 September 1980, the Dutch Government forwarded a programme for the improvement of wholesale marketing conditions of fruit and vegetables and their intermediate distribution;

Whereas this programme relates to the concentration, rationalization, modernization and equipping of wholesale markets and intermediate distribution for fresh fruit and vegetables, to bring about a better balance of supply and demand, an improvement of prices, a lowering of costs and to stabilize horticultural growers' incomes; whereas it is therefore a programme within the meaning of Article 2 of Regulation (EEC) No 355/77;

Whereas the programme contains the details required under Article 3 of Regulation (EEC) No 355/77, showing that the objectives laid down in Article 1 thereof can be achieved in the fresh fruit and vegetables sector; whereas the schedule for implementation of the programme does not exceed the time limit laid down in Article 3 (1) (g) of the said Regulation;

Whereas the measures provided for in this Decision are in accordance with the opinion of the Standing Committee on Agricultural Structure,

HAS ADOPTED THIS DECISION:

Article 1

The programme for the improvement of wholesale marketing conditions and the intermediate distribution of fresh fruit and vegetables, submitted by the Dutch Government pursuant to Regulation (EEC) No 355/77 on 11 September 1980, is hereby approved.

Article 2

This Decision is addressed to the Kingdom of the Netherlands.

Done at Brussels, 17 December 1980.

For the Commission

Finn GUNDELACH

Vice-President

⁽¹⁾ OJ No L 51, 23. 2. 1977, p. 1.