

COMMISSION DECISION

of 12 October 1988

approving an integrated Mediterranean programme for the Sicilia region

(Only the Italian text is authentic)

(88/539/EEC)

THE COMMISSION OF THE EUROPEAN COMMUNITIES,

Having regard to the Treaty establishing the European Economic Community,

Having regard to Council Regulation (EEC) No 2088/85 of 23 July 1985 concerning the integrated Mediterranean programmes⁽¹⁾, and in particular Article 7 thereof,

Whereas Italy has presented to the Commission an integrated Mediterranean programme for the Sicilia region, hereinafter Sicilia IMP;

Whereas, in accordance with Article 7 of Regulation (EEC) No 2088/85, the Sicilia IMP has been submitted in amended form to the Advisory Committee for Integrated Mediterranean Programmes, which has given a favourable opinion;

Whereas the Sicilia IMP, including its financial plan, may therefore be approved by the Commission;

Whereas the Sicilia IMP relates to the period from 1 January 1988 to 31 December 1992 inclusive;

Whereas the Sicilia IMP contains measures which constitute a specific programme of action eligible for assistance from the European Agricultural Guidance and Guarantee Fund (EAGGF), Guidance Section, by virtue of the second paragraph of Article 12 (1) of Regulation (EEC) No 2088/85;

Whereas in order to ensure its effectiveness the Sicilia IMP will be carried out in successive phases and will be subject to later decisions when the conditions for the granting of Community contributions have been met;

Whereas the expenditure on the measures constituting the Sicilia IMP is estimated at 231 141 000 ECU;

Whereas the Community contribution from the special budget heading referred to in Article 11 (2) of Regulation (EEC) No 2088/85 is estimated at 37 470 000 ECU,

HAS ADOPTED THIS DECISION:

Article 1

The Sicilia IMP in the version submitted to the Commission on 18 December 1986, as subsequently

modified after examination by the Commission and following consultation of the Advisory Committee for Integrated Mediterranean Programmes, is hereby approved. The estimates of total expenditure and the estimated contributions from each Community budgetary source are shown in the financial plan of the Sicilia IMP.

In so far as the measures are carried out in accordance with the Sicilia IMP, within the limits of the overall expenditure estimates and in compliance with the rules and procedures relating to each source of Community financing, the Commission shall pay the Community contributions specified in the Sicilia IMP.

Article 2

The contribution from the special budget heading referred to in Article 11 (2) of Regulation (EEC) No 2088/85 shall not exceed 37 470 000 ECU in respect of the expenditure to be incurred in the period from 1 January 1988 to 31 December 1992 on measures to be financed in the context of the Sicilia IMP, estimated at 231 141 000 ECU.

Article 3

Pursuant to Article 15 (2) of Regulation (EEC) No 2088/85, a first instalment from the special budget heading referred to in Article 11 (2) of that Regulation amounting to 3 151 000 ECU is hereby committed in accordance with the financial plan of the Sicilia IMP.

Article 4

This Decision is addressed to the Italian Republic.

Done at Brussels, 12 October 1988.

For the Commission

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⁽¹⁾ OJ No L 197, 27. 7. 1985, p. 1.