Council Regulation (EC) No 73/2009 of 19 January 2009 establishing common rules for direct support schemes for farmers under the common agricultural policy and establishing certain support schemes for farmers, amending Regulations (EC) No 1290/2005, (EC) No 247/2006, (EC) No 378/2007 and repealing Regulation (EC) No 1782/2003 (repealed)

TITLE IV

OTHER AID SCHEMES

CHAPTER 1

Community aid schemes

Section 1

Crop specific payment for rice

Article 73

Scope

For 2009, 2010 and 2011, aid shall be granted to farmers producing rice falling within CN code 1006 10 under the conditions laid down in this Section ('crop specific payment for rice').

Article 74

Conditions and amount of the aid

1 The crop specific payment for rice shall be granted per hectare of land sown under rice and where the crop is maintained until at least the beginning of flowering under normal growth conditions.

However, crops grown on areas which are fully sown and which are cultivated in accordance with local standards, but which do not attain the stage of flowering as a result of exceptional weather conditions recognised by the Member State concerned, shall remain eligible for aid provided that the areas in question are not used for any other purpose up to this growing stage.

2 The amount of the crop specific payment for rice shall be as follows, according to the yields in the Member States concerned:

Member State	EUR/ha
Bulgaria	345,255
Greece	561,00

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Spain	476,25	
France		
— metropolitan territory	411,75	
— French Guyana	563,25	
Italy	453,00	
Hungary	232,50	
Portugal	453,75	
Romania	126,075	

Article 75

Areas

The following base areas are hereby established for each producing Member State:

Member State	base areas(ha)	
Bulgaria	4 166	
Greece	20 333	
Spain	104 973	
France		
— metropolitan territory	19 050	
— for 2009 only, French Guyana	4 190	
Italy	219 588	
Hungary	3 222	
Portugal	24 667	
Romania	500	

A Member State may divide its base area or areas into sub-base areas in accordance with objective and non-discriminatory criteria.

Article 76

Overrun of the areas

1 Where, in a Member State, the area given over to rice in a given year exceeds the base area established in Article 75, the area per farmer for which the crop specific payment for rice is claimed shall be reduced proportionately in that year.

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2 Where a Member State divides its base area or areas into sub-base areas, the reduction provided for in paragraph 1 shall apply only to the farmers in sub-base areas where the subbase area limit has been exceeded. This reduction shall be made when, in the Member State concerned, the areas in the sub-base areas which have not reached their sub-base area limit have been redistributed to the sub-base areas in which the sub-base area limits have been exceeded.