

COMMISSION DECISION

of 23 December 1977

on the granting by the Guidance Section of the EAGGF to the French Republic of a payment on account in respect of expenditure incurred during 1976 on aids and premiums relating to the modernization of farms

(Only the French text is authentic)

(78/98/EEC)

THE COMMISSION OF THE EUROPEAN COMMUNITIES,

Having regard to the Treaty establishing the European Economic Community,

Having regard to Council Directive 72/159/EEC of 17 April 1972 on the modernization of farms⁽¹⁾, as last amended by Directive 77/390/EEC⁽²⁾, and in particular Article 21 (3) thereof,

Whereas the measures taken by the French Republic to implement Directive 72/159/EEC were the subject of a favourable Commission Decision pursuant to Article 18 of the said Directive;

Whereas Commission Decision 74/581/EEC of 16 October 1974 concerning applications for reimbursement in respect of aid granted by the Member States pursuant to Directives 72/159/EEC, 72/160/EEC and 72/161/EEC⁽³⁾, lays down in Article 4 (1) that the Commission, acting on the basis of particulars contained in the applications for reimbursement, shall make a payment on account of 75 % of the amount requested;

Whereas the application for reimbursement lodged by the French Republic in respect of aids granted during 1976 for the modernization of farms is complete and has been submitted in due form; whereas the total amount of expenditure for the year 1976 comes to FF 9 310 370.40 (1 676 278.70 u.a.) broken down as follows:

under Article 8		—
under Article 10		FF 1 050 866.20
under Article 11	Directive	FF 177 500.00
under Article 12	72/159/EEC	FF 8 082 004.20
under Article 13		— ;

Whereas the total amount of reimbursement requested comes to FF 2 327 592.60 (419 069.68 u.a.);

Whereas the making of a payment on account for the period in question does not prejudice the final decision on the contribution from the Fund for the said period; whereas the Guidance Section of the European Agricultural Guidance and Guarantee Fund should therefore make a payment on account of 75 % of the sum of FF 2 327 592.60 (419 069.68 u.a.) i.e. FF 1 745 694.45 (314 302.26 u.a.);

Whereas the EAGGF Committee has been consulted on the financial aspects and in particular as to the funds available,

HAS ADOPTED THIS DECISION:

Article 1

The payment on account by the Guidance Section of the European Agricultural Guidance and Guarantee Fund towards the expenditure incurred by the French Republic during 1976 in respect of aid and premiums relating to the modernization of farms shall be FF 1 745 694.45 (314 302.26 u.a.).

Article 2

This Decision is addressed to the French Republic.

Done at Brussels, 23 December 1977.

For the Commission

Finn GUNDELACH

Vice-President

⁽¹⁾ OJ No L 96, 23. 4. 1972, p. 1.

⁽²⁾ OJ No L 145, 13. 6. 1977, p. 43.

⁽³⁾ OJ No L 320, 29. 11. 1974, p. 1.