Commission Regulation (EC) No 1974/2006 of 15 December 2006 laying down detailed rules for the application of Council Regulation (EC) No 1698/2005 on support for rural development by the European Agricultural Fund for Rural Development (EAFRD) (repealed)

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This Regulation shall enter into force on the day following...

Signature

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- (2) http://www.mcpfe.org/mcpfe/resolutions/lisbon/resolution 12a2.pdf
- (3) OJ L 328, 23.12.2000, p. 2. Regulation as amended by Regulation (EC) No 2060/2004 (OJ L 357, 2.12.2004, p. 3).
- (4) OJ L 160, 26.6.1999, p. 80. Regulation as last amended by Regulation (EC) No 1698/2005.
- (5) OJ L 153, 30.4.2004, p. 30; corrected version (OJ L 231, 30.6.2004, p. 24). Regulation as amended by Regulation (EC) No 1360/2005 (OJ L 214, 19.8.2005, p. 55).