

COMMISSION OF THE EUROPEAN COMMUNITIES

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Proposal for a
COUNCIL REGULATION (EEC)

amending Regulation (EEC) No 2915/86 laying down
socio-structural provisions applicable to agriculture
in the Canary Islands

(presented by the Commission)

Explanatory Memorandum

Under the 1985 Act of Accession (Article 25 (3)) the instruments of the institutions of the European Communities, in the context of the common agricultural policy, do not apply to the Canary Islands. However, the Council, acting by a qualified majority on a proposal from the Commission, lays down the socio-structural provisions which apply to agriculture in the Canary Islands, whilst ensuring that such provisions are compatible with the general objectives of the common agricultural policy.

On the basis of Article 25 of the Act of Accession, the Council, by means of Regulation (EEC) No 2915/86 of 16 September 1986, has made applicable to the Canary Islands the horizontal common measures introduced by:

- Regulation (EEC) No 797/85 on improving the efficiency of agricultural structures,
- Regulation (EEC) No 355/77 on common measures to improve the conditions under which agricultural and fishery products are processed and marketed,
- Regulation (EEC) No 1360/78 on producer groups and associations thereof.

In view of the particularly adverse production conditions and the inadequate production structures, the Commission takes the view that the following measures should also be made applicable to the Canary Islands:

- the Community scheme to encourage the cessation of farming adopted by Council Regulation (EEC) No 1096/88, and
- the Community system of aids to encourage the formation and facilitate the operation of producers' organizations in the fruit and vegetables sector provided for by Council Regulation (EEC) No 1035/72.

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THE COUNCIL OF THE EUROPEAN COMMUNITIES,

Having regard to the Treaty establishing the European Economic Community,

Having regard to the Act of Accession of Spain and Portugal, and in particular
Article 25(3) thereof,

Having regard to the proposal from the Commission (1),

Whereas Council Regulation (EEC) No 2915/87 (2) extended to
the Canary Islands, with a view to contributing towards the
development of their agricultural structures, a number of socio-structural
measures applicable to all the regions of the Community;

Whereas, on account of their particularly inadequate agricultural structures,
the following measures should also be made applicable to the Canary Islands:
the scheme to encourage the cessation of farming adopted by Council Regulation
(EEC) No 1096/88 (3) and the system of aids to encourage the
formation and facilitate the operation of producers' organizations in the
fruit and vegetables sector, provided for by Council Regulation (EEC)
No 1035/72 (4), as last amended by Regulation (EEC) No 2238/88 (5),

(1) OJ No C

(2) OJ No L 272, 24.09.1986, p. 4.

(3) OJ No L 110, 29.04.1988, p. 1.

(4) OJ No L 118, 20.05.1972, p. 1.

(5) OJ No L 198, 26.7.1988, p. 1.

Whereas the application to the Canary Islands of the abovementioned socio-
-structural measures is compatible with the general objectives of the common
agricultural policy,

HAS ADOPTED THIS REGULATION:

Article 1

Article 1(1) of Regulation (EEC) No 2915/86 is hereby replaced by the following:

"1. The common measures introduced by:

- Council Regulation (EEC) No 797/85 of 12 March 1985 on improving the efficiency of agricultural structures (3),
- Regulation (EEC) No 355/77,
- Council Regulation (EEC) No 1360/78 of 19 June 1978 on producer groups and associations thereof (4),
- Council Regulation (EEC) No 1096/88 of 25 April 1988 establishing a Community scheme to encourage the cessation of farming (5),
- and Articles 13, 14 and 36 of Council Regulation (EEC) No 1035/72 (6) introducing a Community system of aid to encourage the formation and facilitate the operation of producers' organizations,

shall apply to the Canary Islands.

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- (3) OJ No L 93, 30.03.1985, p. 1.
(4) OJ No L 166, 23.06.1978, p. 1.
(5) OJ No L 110, 29.04.1988, p. 1.
(6) OJ No L 118, 20.05.1972, p. 1."

Article 2

This Regulation shall enter into force on the third day following its publication in the Official Journal of the European Communities.

This Regulation shall be binding in its entirety and directly applicable in all Member States.

Done at ,

For the Council
The President

FINANCIAL STATEMENT concerning : a proposal for a Council Regulation (EEC) No 2915/86 laying down socio-structural provisions applicable to agriculture in the Canary Islands.

1. Budget heading : III B Item : 311 Title : - Cessation of farming,
330 "prèpension" and extensification
- Producers' organizations.

2. Legal basis : Article 25(3) of the Act of Accession of Spain and Portugal.

3. Classification : Compulsory expenditure/~~non-compulsory expenditure~~

4. Purpose/description of the measure : Extension of the Community schemes to encourage the cessation of farming and the formation of producers' organizations for fruit and vegetables as a result of the inadequate production structures in the islands.

5. Method of calculation

5.1 Form of expenditure : Reimbursement of eligible national expenditure.

5.2 Community contribution : 50% of eligible expenditure.

5.3 Calculation : (1)

6. Financial implication as regards operating appropriations

6.1 Schedule of commitment appropriations and payment appropriations (in ECU)

<u>Year</u>	<u>C.A.</u>	<u>P.A. (1)</u>
1989	p.m.	
1990	p.m.	
1991	p.m.	
1992	p.m.	
1993	p.m.	
following years	<u>p.m.</u>	_____
Total	<u>p.m.</u>	_____

6.2 Financing during current year : --

7. Observations :

(1) In view of the marginal nature of the agricultural sector as compared with that of EUR 12, the expenditure already earmarked for each of these two measures during the period of their application could, according to the estimates, also cover the expenditure which could result from their application to the Canary Islands.