COMMISSION OF THE EUROPEAN COMMUNITIES

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on the supply of skimmed-milk powder to the International Committee of the Red Cross under the 1975 programme as food aid for the Timor refugees

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derogating from Regulation (EEC) No 2750/75 in respect of the procedure for mobilizing food aid allocated to the International Committee of the Red Cross for distribution to the Timor refugees

(submitted to the Council by the Commission)

1. As a result of the inflow of refugees from Portuguese Timor into the Indonesian part of Timor, the mission of the Republic of Indonesia to the Communities presented a request to the Commission for emergency food aid consisting of:

2 000 t of rice
1 000 t of wheat flour
100 t of skimmed-milk powder.

These foodstuffs would be used to feed 40 000 people (the majority of whom are women and children).

2. The Commission considers that a favourable response should be given to this request but that it is preferable, in accordance with the normal procedure in this type of situation, to carry out this operation through an international organization.

Contacts have therefore been established with the International Committee of the Red Cross (ICRC), an organization specializing in the field of aid to areas of conflict. The ICRC has declared its readiness to serve as an intermediary but has pointed out that, since it does not have a delegate on the spot, the whole operation, which is to be carried out by the local authorities, would be supervised by the Indonesian Red Cross; the ICRC has also indicated that the skimmed-milk powder provided for in this operation could not be counted against the Agreement of 3 February 1975, since the ICRC has already programmed the allocation of the quantity still remaining 2.

The total quantity of cereals has already been allocated.

²A quantity of 780 t of skimmed-milk powder.

- 3. In view of the above considerations, the Commission proposes that food aid be supplied via the ICRC to the Timor refugees in the form of:
 - 2 000 t of cereals (consisting of 1 000 t of rice⁴ and 1 000 t of wheat⁵, subject to any changes requested by the Indonesian authorities);

100 t of skimmed-milk powder.

These quantities have been calculated on the basis of the criteria normally applied by the Community in operations of this type 6.

These quantities would be counted against the reserves provided for in the 1975 programmes 7.

The cost of this operation can be estimated at 487 190 u.a. and will be financed from the appropriations provided for in the 1975 budget.

⁴Husked rice to be supplied, in principle, in the form of 775 t of round-grained milled rice.

⁵Supplied, in principle, in the form of 662 t of wheat flour.

⁶⁵⁰⁰ g of cereals and 30 g of skimmed-milk powder per person per day for a period of three months.

^{711 089} t of cereals and 2 850 t of skimmed-milk powder are still available.

4. In conclusion, the Commission recommends that the Council approve the following arrangements to help the Timor refugees:

allocation of emergency food aid consisting of:

2 000 t of cereals
100 t of skimmed-milk powder,

to be forwarded through the International Committee of the Red Cross; these quantities would be delivered cif⁸ and would be counted against the reserves of the 1975 programmes.

The Commission therefore recommends that the Council adopt the accompanying acts.

Because of the urgency of the situation, the foodstuffs would be mobilized under the mutual agreement procedure.

Annex I

PROPOSAL FOR REGULATION (EEC) OF THE COUNCIL

on the supply of skimmed-milk powder to the International Committee of the Red Cross under the 1975 programme as food aid for the Timor refugees

THE COUNCIL OF THE EUROPEAN COMMUNITIES,

Having regard to the Treaty establishing the European Economic Community;

Having regard to Council Regulation (EEC) No 1347/75¹ of 26 May 1975 laying down general rules for the supply of skimmed-milk powder as food aid to certain developing countries and international organizations under the 1975 programme, and in particular Articles 3 and 7 thereof;

Having regard to the proposal from the Commission;

Whereas Regulation (EEC) No 1347/75 provides for the supply of 43 010 metric tons of skimmed-milk powder as food aid to certain developing countries and international organizations;

Whereas Council Regulation (EEC) No 1348/75² of 26 May 1975 on the supply of skimmed-milk powder as food aid to certain developing countries and international organizations under the 1975 programme provides for a reserve of 3 800 metric tons of skimmed-milk powder; whereas part of this quantity should be allocated to the International Committee of the Red Cross for distribution to the Timor refugees;

¹OJ No L 138, 29 May 1975, p. 1.

²0J No L 138, 29 May 1975, p.3.

Whereas it is necessary for the Community to bear the delivery costs of the food aid up to the cif stage,

HAS ADOPTED THIS REGULATION:

Article 1

Of the 3 800 metric tons of skimmed-milk powder provided for as a reserve by Regulation (EEC) No 1348/75, 100 metric tons shall be allocated to the International Committee of the Red Cross for distribution to the Timor refugees.

Article 2

Community financing for the operation described in Article 1 shall cover the cost of delivering the product cif.

Article 3

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 Brussels,

For the Council
The President

Annex II

PROPOSAL FOR A COUNCIL DECISION

on the Community financing of certain costs in respect of the food aid allocated to the International Committee of the Red Cross under the 1974/75 programme for distribution to the Timor refugees

THE COUNCIL OF THE EUROPEAN COMMUNITIES,

Having regard to the Treaty establishing the European Economic Community;

Having regard to Council Regulation No 1703/72¹ of 3 August 1972 amending Regulation (EEC) No 2052/69 as regards the Community financing of expenditure resulting from the implementation of the 1967 Food Aid Convention and laying down rules for the Community financing of expenditure resulting from the implementation of the 1971 Food Aid Convention, and in particular Articles 8(1) and 10(1) thereof;

Having regard to the proposal from the Commission;

Whereas the International Committee of the Red Cross would have difficulty in meeting the cost of forwarding from the fob stage the food aid in the form of cereals allocated for the Timor refugees under the 1974/75 programme; whereas these costs should therefore be borne by the Community;

¹0J L 180, 8 August 1972, p. 1.

HAS DECIDED AS FOLLOWS:

Sole Article

Community financing in respect of the allocation by the Community of food aid to the International Committee of the Red Cross under the 1974/75 programme for distribution to the Timor refugees shall cover the costs incurred between the fob stage and the cif stage.

Done at Brussels,

For the Council The President

Annex III

PROPOSAL FOR REGULATION (EEC) OF THE COUNCIL

derogating from Regulation (EEC) No 2750/75 in respect of the procedure for mobilizing food aid allocated to the International Committee of the Red Cross for distribution to the Timor refugees

THE COUNCIL OF THE EUROPEAN COMMUNITIES.

Having regard to the Treaty establishing the European Economic Community;

Having regard to Council Regulation (EEC) No 2727/75¹ of 29 October 1975 on the common organization of the market in cereals, and in particular Article 28 thereof;

Having regard to Council Regulation No $359/67/\text{EEC}^2$ of 25 July 1967 on the common organization of the market in rice, as last amended by Regulation (EEC) No $668/75^3$, and in particular Article 23a thereof;

Having regard to the proposal from the Commission;

Whereas, in view of the urgent needs of the Timor refugees, the mobilization of the cereals allocated as food aid to the International Committee of the Red Cross should be carried out by a sufficiently flexible and rapid procedure;

Whereas the tender procedure provided for in Article 4 of Council Regulation (EEC) No 2750/75⁴ of 29 October 1975 fixing criteria for the mobilization of cereals intended as food aid does not always guarantee the necessary flexibility and rapidity; whereas it is therefore necessary to provide for that a different procedure may be used;

¹OJ No L 281, 1 November 1975, p. 1. ²OJ No L 174, 31 July 1967, p. 1.

³OJ No L 72, 20 March 1975, p. 18. ⁴OJ No L 281, 1 November 1975, p. 89.

HAS ADOPTED THIS REGULATION:

Article 1

By way of derogation from Article 4 of Regulation (EEC) No 2750/75, it shall be permitted to use a procedure other than invitation to tender for the supply cif of the cereals and rice allocated as food aid to the International Committee of the Red Cross under the 1974/75 programme for distribution to the Timor refugees.

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 , 1975.

For the Council The President