-COMMISSION OF THE EUROPEAN COMMUNITIES

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Amendment of the proposal of a

COUNCIL REGULATION (EFC)

completing Regulation No 1009/67/FEC on the common organization of the market in sugar (doc.COM(74) 30 final, part X)

(Presented by the Commission to the Council pursuant to the second paragraph of Article 149 of the ZEC Treaty)

Explanatory memorandum

At the same time as the agricultural prices applicable during the 1974/75 sugar marketing year were discussed, the Council investigated the beet price level to be applicable in Italy on account of maintaining this culture, in particular, taking into account the production conditions in this country for the sugar beet and for other agricultural speculations. It turns out to be justifiable under the present conditions to authorize Italy to increase the supplementary payment from 1,80 unit of account per metric tons of beets to 4,00 unit of account.

During this discussion, the Commission agreed with this result of the aid investigations and consequently proposes to amend Article 34 paragraphe 2 of Regulation No 1009/67/CEE.

Amendment (by application of Article 149 of the Treaty) of the proposal of a Council Regulation (EEC) completing Regulation No 1009/67/EEC on the common organization of the market in sugar (doc.COM (74) 30 final, part X).

1. add as the last consideration:

"whereas Italy has been authorized to grant temporary aids; whereas a new valuation of production conditions and in particular the present competetive situation as to the production of maize, justifies an increase of the maximum amount from 1,80 to 4,00 unit of account what the granted aid per metric ton of beets concerns;"

2. Article 2 a should be added as follows:

" Article 2 a.

In Article 34 paragraphe 2 of Regulation No 1009/67/EEC the amount of "1,80 unit of account" is replaced by the amount of "4,00 unit of account"."