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REPORT

drawn up on behalf of the Committee on Agriculture

on the proposal from the Commission of the European Communities to the Council (Doc. 1-211/83 - COM(83) 92 final - part IV) for a regulation amending Regulation (EEC) No. 516/77 on the common organization of the market in products processed from fruit and vegetables

Rapporteur: Mr G. BARBAGLI

PE 85.241/fin.

By letter of 8 April 1983 the Council of the European Communities requested the European Parliament, pursuant to Rule 43 of the Rules of Procedure, to deliver an opinion on four proposals for regulations:

- amending Regulation (EEC) No. 516/77 on the common organization of the market in products processed from fruit and vegetables and Regulation (EEC) No. 950/68 on the Common Customs Tariff;
- adjusting certain rules in the 1979 Act of Accession in respect of products processed from fruit and vegetables;
- fixing guarantee thresholds for certain products processed from fruit and vegetables;
- amending Regulation (EEC) No. 516/77 on the common organization of the market in products processed from fruit and vegetables.

On 16 May 1983 the President of the European Parliament referred these proposals to the Committee on Agriculture, as the committee responsible, and to the Committee on Budgets and the Committee on External Economic Relations for their opinion.

On 20 April 1983 the Committee on Agriculture appointed Mr G. Barbagli rapporteur.

By telex of 4 June 1983 the Council of Ministers of the European Communities requested the application of the urgent procedure, pursuant to Rule 57 of the Rules of Procedure, for the proposal for a regulation mentioned in the fourth indent above, amending Regulation No. 516/77.

At its meeting of 7 June 1983 the Committee on Agriculture considered this proposal for a regulation and the draft report.

It decided to recommend that Parliament approve the Commission's proposal by 10 votes to 4.

The motion for a resolution was then adopted by 10 votes to 4.

The following took part in the vote: Mr Früh, vice-chairman and acting chairman; Mr Barbagli (deputizing for Mr Ligios), rapporteur; Mr Blaney, Mr Clinton, Mr Dalsass, Mr Eyraud, Mr Gautier, Mr Helms, Mrs Herklotz, Mr Hord, Mr Mertens, Mr Papaefstratiou (deputizing for Mr Kaloyannis), Mr Simmonds (deputizing for Mr Provan) and Mr Vgenopoulos.

This report was tabled on 7 June 1983.

The Committee on Budgets and the Committee on External Economic Relations will deliver their opinion on the Commission's proposals as a whole.

The Committee on Agriculture hereby submits to the European Parliament the following motion for a resolution

MOTION FOR A RESOLUTION

closing the procedure for consultation of the European Parliament on the proposal from the Commission of the European Communities to the Council for a regulation amending Regulation (EEC) No. 516/77 on the common organization of the market in products processed from fruit and vegetables.

The European Parliament,

- having regard to the proposal from the Commission of the European Communities to the Council,¹
 - having been consulted by the Council pursuant to Article 43 of the EEC Treaty (Doc. 1-211/83 - part IV),
 - having regard to the report of the Committee on Agriculture (Doc. 1-422/83);
 - having regard to the vote on the Commission proposal,
- A. whereas there are stocks of 55,000 tonnes of dried grapes and 3,500 tonnes of dried figs from the 1981 harvest in Greece at the present time,
- B. whereas the storage costs for this fruit amount to approximately 1 m ECU per month,
- C. whereas the gradual deterioration of produce during long periods of storage makes it increasingly difficult to sell it on the market,
- D. whereas the distillation measures proposed, in addition to avoiding further storage costs, will help restore balance to the market in these products.
1. Approves the Commission's proposal;
 2. Instructs its President to forward to the Council and Commission, as Parliament's opinion, the Commission's proposal as voted by Parliament and the corresponding resolution.

¹COM(83) 92 final - part IV
OJ No. C 94, 8.4.1983, p. 10

