COMMISSION OF THE EUROPEAN COMMUNITIES

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Proposal for a

COUNCIL REGULATION (EEC)

fixing the threshold prices for cereals for the 1976/1977 marketing year

(submitted to the Council by the Commission)



EXPLANATORY STATEMENT

The threshold prices for cereals are to be fixed according to the provisions of Article 5 of Council Regulation (EEC) No 2727/75 before 15 March each year for the following marketing year.

The threshold prices are calculated for Rotterdam by subtracting from the target price applicable at Duisburg the lowest transport cost from Rotterdam to Duisburg, the cost of trans-shipment at Rotterdam and a trading margin, so that the sale price of imported cereals on the Duisburg market will be at the level of the target price after taking into account quality differences.

As regards the threshold price for feed grains for which no target price is fixed (buckwheat, sorghum, millet and canary seed), those are calculated on the basis of the proportion 98.45 % as compared with the threshold price for barley = 100 %. The increase of 9.47 % in these threshold prices is in line with the increase of 9.48 % in the maize threshold price.

The threshold price for oats is calculated on the basis of 96.23 % of the barley threshold price. An increase of 9.24 % seems sufficient to protect the production of this cereal.

As a reminder, the threshold price percentages applied in 1975/1976 for these cereals were:

oats 95.97 % others 97.98 %

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COUNCIL REGULATION (EEC) No/76

of

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THE COUNCIL OF THE EUROPEAN COMMUNITIES.

Having regard to the Treaty establishing the European Economic Community, Having regard to Council Regulation (EEC) No 2727/75 of 29 October 1975 on the common organization of the market in cereals $^{(1)}$, as last amended by Regulation (EEC) No $^{(2)}$, and in particular Article 5 (5) (b) thereof,

Having regard to the proposal from the Commission,

Whereas Article 5 (1) of Regulation (EEC) No 2727/75 provides that the threshold price for the principal cereals must be fixed in such a way that the selling price for the imported product on the Duisburg market will be the same as the target price; whereas this is achieved by deducting from the target price the most advantageous transport costs between Rotterdam and Duisburg, transhipment charges at Rotterdam and a trading margin; whereas the target prices have been fixed for the 1976/1977 marketing year by Regulation (EEC) No /76 (3);

Whereas the threshold prices for other cereals for which no target price is fixed must, in accordance with Article 5 (2) of Regulation (EEC) No 2727/75, be so determined that the target price for the principal cereals in competition with these products may be reached on the Duisburg market,

HAS ADOPTED THIS REGULATION :

⁽¹⁾ OJ No L 281, 1.11.1975, p. 1

⁽²⁾ OJ No (3) OJ No

Sole Article

For the 1976/1977 marketing year, the threshold prices for cereals shall be as follows:

·	Units of account per metric ton
Common wheat and meslin	149,30
Rye	146,45
Barley	135,10
Maize	135,10
Durum wheat	216,10
Oats	130,—
Buckwheat	133,—
Sorghum	133,—
Millet	133,—
Canary seed	133,-

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

Done at

For the Council

The President