

COMMISSION OF THE EUROPEAN COMMUNITIES

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Proposal for a
COUNCIL REGULATION (EEC)
amending for the fifth time Regulation (EEC) No 1876/74 concerning
the addition of alcohol to products in the wine sector

(submitted to the Council by the Commission)

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EXPLANATORY MEMORANDUM

In the absence of a common organization of the market in alcohol and in the absence also of provisions aligning the definitions of aromatized wines, the existing provisions concerning the addition of alcohol to products in the wine sector should be extended to apply for a further year. In the current situation no difficulties will arise in this connection.

No financial consequences.

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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) N° 816/70 of 28 April 1970
laying down additional provisions for the common organization of the market
in wine (1) as last amended by Regulation (EEC) N° 1861/78 (2), and in
particular Article 25 (2) thereof,

Having regard to the proposal from the Commission,

Whereas, pending the adoption of provisions supplementing or harmonizing
the definitions of semi-sparkling wines and of products falling within
heading N° 22.06 of the Common Customs Tariff, provision should be made to
extend the period of application of the provisions referred to in Article 4
of Council Regulation (EEC) N° 1876/74 (3), as last amended by Regulation
(EEC) No 2804/77 (4) ; whereas experience has shown that this can be done
without difficulty ; whereas Regulation (EEC) No 1876/74 should therefore
be amended by extending to 31 December 1979 the transitional period due
to expire on 31 December 1978,

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- (1) OJ N° L 99, 5.5.1970, p. 1
(2) OJ N° L 215, 4.8.1978, p. 1
(3) OJ N° L 198, 20.7.1974, p. 1
(4) OJ N° L 322, 17.12.1977, p. 2

HAS ADOPTED THIS REGULATION :

Article 1

In Article 4 of Regulation (EEC) N° 1876/74, "31 December 1978" shall be replaced by "31 December 1979".

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 Brussels,

For the Council
The President