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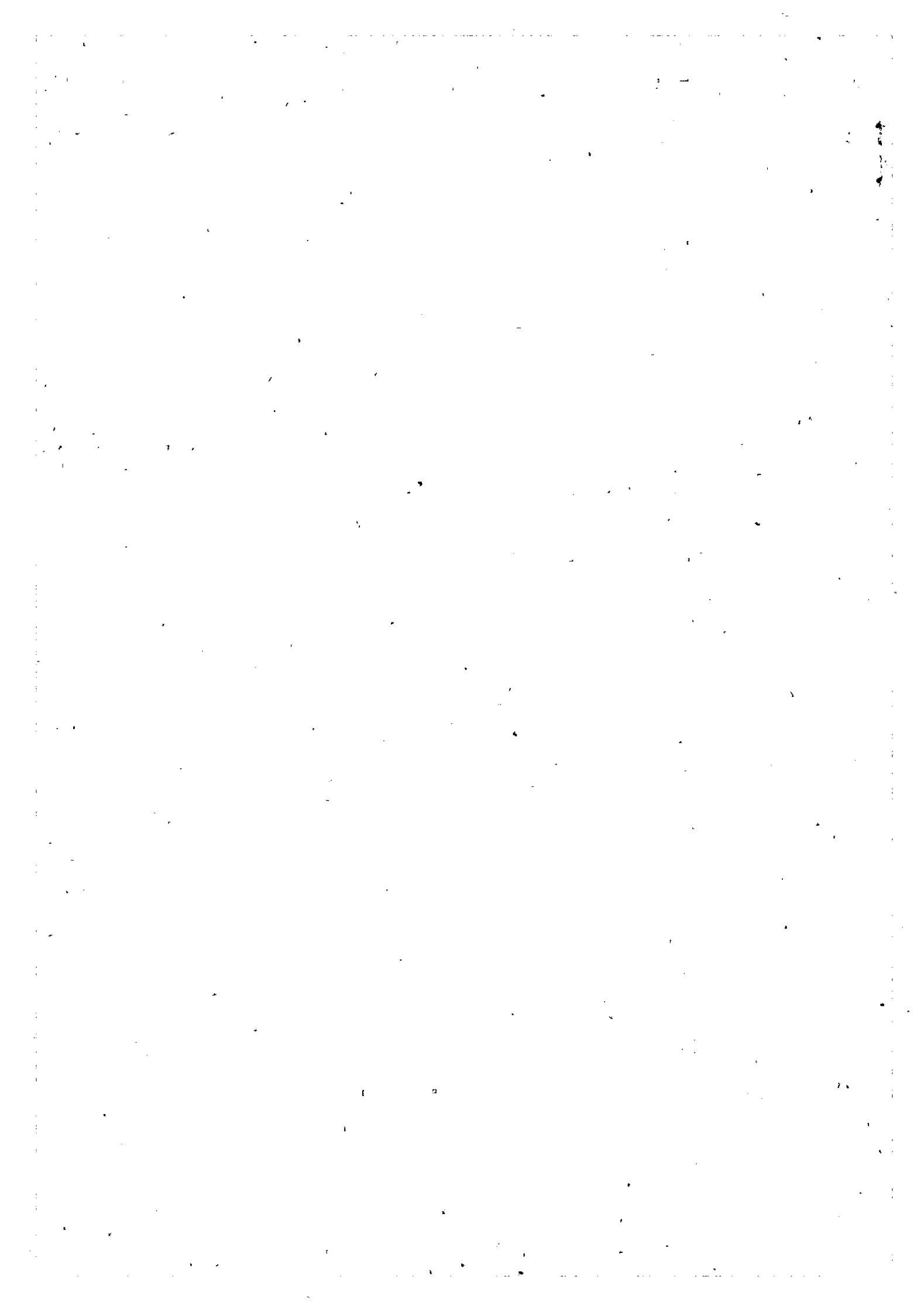
Bruxelles, den 24. July 1975

Proposal for a

REGULATION (EEC) OF THE COUNCIL

on special measures for soya beans for the
1975/1976 marketing year

(submitted to the Council by the Commission)



EXPLANATORY MEMORANDUM

Council Regulation (EEC) No 1900/74 of 15 July 1974 laying down special measures for soya beans makes provision for the Council to adopt criteria for determining the average world market price of soya beans, as well as general rules for granting the subsidy and for checking eligibility for the subsidy.

This draft Regulation lays down provisions concerning such criteria and general rules. As soya bean prices on the world market were higher than the guide price fixed for soyabeans of Community origin during the representative period referred to in Article 2 of Regulation (EEC) No 1900/74, the Regulation set up for the 1974/75 marketing year was not able to have its full effect.

In view of the lack of experience gained, it is proposed that the provisions set up for the 1974/75 marketing year be extended to that for 1975/76 with the exception of those introducing a deadline for fixing the average world market price and the indicative yield both of which have to be fixed taking into account of the progress of the Community soya crop, of its sale and the evolution of the world market. A deadline therefore does not allow these elements to be taken into account.

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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 No 136/66/EEC⁽¹⁾ of 22 September 1966 on the establishment of a common organization of the market in oils and fats, as last amended by Regulation (EEC) No 1707/73⁽²⁾, and in particular Article 36 thereof;

Having regard to Council Regulation (EEC) No 1900/74⁽³⁾ of 15 July 1974 laying down special measures for soya beans, and in particular Article 2 (3) thereof;

Having regard to the proposal from the Commission;

Whereas pursuant to Article 2 (3) of Regulation (EEC) No 1900/74, criteria for determining the average world market price, together with general rules for granting the subsidy and for the control of beans harvested within the Community, should be laid down;

Whereas the said average world market price must be determined on the basis of the most favourable purchasing terms available on that market;

Whereas the figures to be taken into consideration should be those recorded over the marketing period for Community beans in respect of offers on the world market and prices quoted on the major international exchanges; whereas, however, offers not considered representative of the true trend of the market should be ignored;

Whereas under Article 2 (1) of Regulation (EEC) No 1900/74 the average price must be recorded for a Community frontier crossing point; whereas in fixing this point account should be taken of the extent to which it is representative for imports of soya beans and the point selected should accordingly be the port of Rotterdam; whereas offers and quotations must be adjusted if they relate to a different frontier crossing point;

Whereas such adjustment should also be made in the event of any variation from the presentation and quality specified for the purpose of fixing the guide price;

Whereas the producer Member States should be required to set up the control arrangements necessary to ensure the proper functioning of the subsidy system;

(1) OJ No L72, 30.9.1966, p. 3025/66

(2) OJ No L 175, 29.6.1973, p. 5

(3) OJ No L 201, 23.7.1974, p. 5

Whereas under Article 2 (2) of the aforementioned Regulation the subsidy is to be granted for production obtained by applying an indicative yield to the surface areas sown and harvested; whereas, in order to ensure the proper application of the subsidy system, the indicative yield should be determined by reference to yields recorded in the principal production areas;

Whereas the period of validity of the foregoing rules should be limited to that necessary to enable their effectiveness to be assessed;

HAS ADOPTED THIS REGULATION :

Article 1

1. The average world market price for soya beans as referred to in Article 2 of Regulation (EEC) No 1900/74 shall be determined taking into account the figures recorded over a period most representative of the trade in beans originating in the Community in respect of offers on the world market and of prices quoted on the major international exchanges.
2. The average world market price shall be determined on the basis of the average of the most favourable offers and quotations recorded during the period referred to in paragraph 1, but excluding offers and quotations which cannot be regarded as representative of the true trend of the market.

Article 2

The average world market price shall be determined for loose beans of a standard quality delivered at Rotterdam.

The necessary adjustments shall be made where offers and quotations do not satisfy the requirements referred to in the first paragraph.

Article 3

Producer Member States shall set up a control system whereby, in the case of each soya bean grower to whom aid is granted under Article 2 (1) of Regulation (EEC) No 1900/74, it may be verified that the crop area in respect of which a subsidy has been applied corresponds to the area on which soya has actually been sown and harvested.

Article 4

1. A standard Community indicative yield for soya beans shall be determined for beans of a standard quality.
2. The indicative yield shall be determined by reference primarily to the yields per hectare ascertained by random sampling in the main production areas of the Community.

Article 5

This Regulation shall enter into force on the day of its publication in the Official Journal of the European Communities.

It shall apply from 1 November 1975 to 31 October 1976.

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

Done at

For the Council

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