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ENLARGEMENT AND THE COMMON AGRICULTURAL POLICY

Point 7 of the Communiqué published after the meeting of the heads of states and governments at The Hague, on December 2, 1969, said that the basic principles of the common agricultural policy and the arrangements for financing it were not to be changed. However, it left open the possibility of adapting the policy by unanimous vote, in an enlarged Community.

For the supply of farm products, enlargement would change the situation of the Six slightly, in favor of traditional exporters of farm produce. The Community's current self-sufficiency rate of 90 per cent would drop to 85 per cent in an enlarged Community.

The most important changes in self-sufficiency for individual products would be the following, based on 1967-69 figures:

Decreases	Community of Six	Community of Ten
Wheat	112.5 %	97.6 %
Rice	100.8	85.9
Sugar	104.6	83.0
Fruit	89.9	81.6
Vegetables	102.5	98.9
Mutton	84.2	58.9
Butter	111.1	91.8
Cheese	102.7	99.9
Oil & Fats	41.8	40.1

Increases	Community of Six	Community of Ten	
Feed grain	78.6 %	79.6 %	
Beef & Veal	88.8	97.6	
Poultry	97.8	100.0	
Pork	100.0	103.9	