Support system for producers of certain arable crops: more flexible penalties (amend. Regul. 1765/92/EEC)

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The Committee (chaired by Christian JACOB, UPE, F) adopted the report by Mr D. HALLAM (PES, UK) on a support system for producers of certain arable crops (consultation). The report discusses two Commission proposals amending Council Regulation 1765/92, which recommend a system of more flexible penalties to be applied when the base area is exceeded if the overshoot has been caused by climatic conditions such as the recent drought in Spain. The Committee on Agriculture approved extension of the relaxation of penalties to the financial area in the year of the harvest. However, it is also thought there was a need to delete extraordinary set-aside and adopted an amendment to this effect. It also rejected the addition that had been inserted into the regulation on special conditions to apply in the case of Germany.