Agricultural products: measures for the benefit of French overseas departments (amend. Regul. 3763/91/EEC)

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- OBJECTIVE: On the basis of the Commission's 1992/1993 assessment report on the progress made in implementing the Poseidon programme, on the problems encountered in the implementation of agricultural measures and on the new applications submitted to the Commission by France, to amend Regulation (EEC) No 3763/91 concerning specific measures in respect of certain agricultural products for the benefit of the French overseas departments. - SUBSTANCE: Council Regulation (EC) No 2598/95 introduces the following modifications: - to extend the specific supply system, which is designed to relieve the additional costs engendered by the remoteness and insularity of the French overseas departments, to other products in order to meet the needs of the processing industries which are located in these highly peripheral regions so as to respond to the demands of local consumption; - to extend the period of application of measures intended to meet the needs of French Guiana in respect of composite animal feedstuffs until facilities for the manufacture of such products can operate effectively in this department; - to increase the volume of rice production in Guiana benefitting from aid for disposal and marketing in Guadeloupe and Martinique; - to introduce measures which seek to strengthen the effectiveness of existing provisions for the development of local cattle-breeding and milk-production industries. These measures concern, firstly, the replacement of aid for the consumption of fresh milk products by aid for production, and, secondly, the introduction of derogations for certain measures which apply to common market organisations which are affected by the restriction to production; - to modify the system of support for production in the fruit, vegetable and flower growing sectors, which involves replacing aid for production (which does not differentiate between products) by a mechanism designed to promote the local marketing of quality products within the framework of annual marketing contracts; this modification also includes support for the processing and marketing of tropical fruit and vegetables which are harvested and processed in the French overseas departments. - ENTRY INTO FORCE: 12.11.1995.