Agricultural products: specific measures for the Azores, Madeira and the Canary islands

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OBJECTIVE: extending for one year the application of the specific aid measures laid down by Regulations (EEC) Nos 1600/92 and 1601/92, in order to avoid any sudden interruption in the application of these measures detrimental to trade flows between the Azores and Madeira (outermost regions) and the rest of the Community. COMMUNITY MEASURE: Council Regulation (EC) No 2348/96 amending Regulations (EEC) Nos 1600/92 and 1601/92 concerning specific measures for the Azores and Madeira, and the Canary Islands respectively with regard to certain agricultural products.. SUBSTANCE: Regulations (EEC) Nos 1600/92 and 1601/92 lay down measures exempting from import duties and granting aid for certain agricultural products imported by the very remote regions concerned from the rest of the Community. These arrangements were to have been applicable from the 1992-93 marketing year to the 1995-96 marketing year. However, since there have been certain administrative difficulties in the introduction of these arrangements, it is proposed that their application be extended for a further year, i.e. up to and including the 1996-97 marketing year. The measures concerned are intended as aid enabling these regions to be supplied with cereals and other agricultural products, feedingstuffs, and processed meat products, at a cost affordable for those regions. For the same reasons application of the specific supply arrangements for seed potatoes should also be extended in the case of Madeira. ENTRY INTO FORCE: 11 December 1996. It is applicable with retroactive effect from 1 July 1996.