Honey: application of measures to improve the production and marketing

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OBJECTIVE: to improve the production and marketing of honey in the European Union. COMMUNITY MEASURE: Council Regulation (EC) No 1221/97 laying down general rules for the application of measures to improve the production and marketing of honey. SUBSTANCE: the Regulation lays down that Member States may establish annual national programmes to be co-financed by the Community, which will contribute 50% of the funding for measures relating to: - technical assistance to members of beekeepers' associations and honey houses, - the control of varroasis and related diseases, - improving conditions for the treatment of hives, - rationalization of transhumance, - support for laboratories to analyse honey, - applied research to improve the quality of honey. Every three years, the Commission is to submit to Parliament and the Council a report on the application of the Regulation, the first to be submitted no later than 31/12/2000.