

Rice: reform of the common organisation of the market COM

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In adopting the report by Mr FILIPPI (PPE, I), the European Parliament approved this proposal for a regulation with the following amendments : - the EP calls for the starting date for the reform to be the 1996 /97 marketing year, but proposes intervention prices below those recommended by the Commission for paddy rice for the first three years; - compensatory payments must be determined on the basis of average yield in the Member States in the years 1993, 1994 and 1995 (instead of 1992, 1993 and 1994 as proposed by the Commission); - regarding maximum guaranteed areas, the EP proposes the same reference period (1993-95) as the Commission, but would like account to be taken of the particular situations in Spain and Portugal (because of drought) and Guyana (to take account of the consequences of the POSEIDOM programme). In this case, the areas to be taken into consideration will be established on the basis of the periods 1990-92 and 1989-91, raised by the average percentage increase in areas recorded in the other producing countries in the period 1993-95 ; - in the event of an overrun of the NMGA, the EP calls for a reduction equal to the percentage overrun of the NMGA, and not equal to six times the overrun as proposed by the Commission.