





Basic information	
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Support for pre-accession measures for agriculture and rural development in the applicant countries of Central and Eastern Europe in the pre-accession period Amending Regulation (EC) No 1268/1999 1998/0100(CNS) Subject 6.40.02 Relations with central and eastern Europe 8.20.02 Enlargement 2004: new Member States 8.20.04 Pre-accession and partnership 8.20.12 Enlargement's agricultural point of view	

Key players				
European Parliament	Committee responsible		Rapporteur	Appointed
	 Agriculture and Rural Development		MAYER Xaver (PPE-DE)	05/11/2002
	Committee for opinion		Rapporteur for opinion	Appointed
	 Budgets		BÖGE Reimer (PPE-DE)	08/10/2002
Council of the European Union	Council configuration	Meetings	Date	
	General Affairs	2501	2003-04-14	
European Commission	Commission DG		Commissioner	
	Agriculture and Rural Development			

Key events			
Date	Event	Reference	Summary
18/09/2002	Legislative proposal published	COM(2002)0519 	Summary
21/10/2002	Committee referral announced in Parliament		
17/02/2003	Vote in committee		Summary
17/02/2003	Committee report tabled for plenary, 1st reading/single reading	A5-0028/2003	

11/03/2003	Decision by Parliament	T5-0075/2003	Summary
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14/04/2003	End of procedure in Parliament		
17/04/2003	Final act published in Official Journal		

Technical information	
Procedure reference	2002/0227(CNS)
Procedure type	CNS - Consultation procedure
Procedure subtype	Legislation
Legislative instrument	Regulation
Amendments and repeals	Amending Regulation (EC) No 1268/1999 1998/0100(CNS)
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Stage reached in procedure	Procedure completed
Committee dossier	AGRI/5/16866

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Other institutions and bodies				
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Regulation 2003/0696
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2002/0227(CNS) - 11/03/2003 - Text adopted by Parliament, 1st reading/single reading

The European Parliament adopted a resolution drafted by Xaver MAYER (EPP-ED, Germany) and made some amendments to the Commission's proposal. (Please refer to the document dated 17/02/03).

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2002/0227(CNS) - 14/04/2003 - Final act

PURPOSE : to enable the Community to help restore rural areas following exceptional natural disasters in the applicant states. **COMMUNITY MEASURE** : Council Regulation 696/2003/EC amending Regulation 1268/1999/EC on Community support for pre-accession measures for agriculture and rural development in the applicant countries of Central and Eastern Europe in the pre-accession period. **CONTENT** : in mid-August 2002 considerable damage was caused in various candidate countries by floods in their rural areas. This Regulation will enable the Community to respond appropriately to such exceptional natural disasters whenever they occur in candidate countries, using the SAPARD instrument set up under Council Regulation 1268/1999/EC. No special provision is included in that Regulation for actions to help restore rural areas following exceptional natural disasters. Appropriate action by the Community in the wake of such disasters is needed. These events place a considerable economic burden on the affected parties both in the public and private sectors and coincide with the preparation for accession. This Regulation provides for increases both in the rate of Community assistance and in the normal ceilings on aid intensities: - for relevant projects following exceptional natural disasters the Community contribution may amount to up to 85 % of the total eligible public expenditure; - for revenue generating investments, public aid may amount up to 75 % of the total eligible cost of which the Community contribution may amount to up to 85 % of the public aid. **ENTRY INTO FORCE** : 20/04/03.

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2002/0227(CNS) - 18/09/2002 - Legislative proposal

PURPOSE : to present a proposal which aims to amend Regulation 1268/1999/EC on Community support for pre-accession measures for agriculture and rural development in the applicant countries of Central and Eastern Europe in the pre-accession period. **CONTENT** : in mid August 2002 considerable damage was caused inter alia in various candidate countries by floods. The Czech Republic and Slovakia in particular were badly affected. The Community needs to be able to respond appropriately to such exceptional natural disasters whenever they occur in candidate countries through various instruments including the pre-accession SAPARD instrument set up under Council Regulation 1268/1999/EC. The scope of the SAPARD instrument does not however have any specific provisions relating to actions taken in the wake of natural disasters. However, the Commission considers that actions to help to restore rural areas following exceptional natural disasters can be considered as falling within the scope of SAPARD and that consequently specific provisions should be made for such an action within Regulation 1268/1999/EC. In view of the Commission, the appropriate action is to increase the ceiling on public aid from 50% to 75%, and the Community contribution from 75% to 85% of public aid, for relevant projects in areas affected by exceptional natural disasters.