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The attached notification concerning domestic support commitments (**Table DS:1** and the relevant Supporting Tables) for the **marketing year 1998/99** was received from the delegation of the **European Communities** on 14 March 2001.

DOMESTIC SUPPORT: European Communities**REPORTING PERIOD: Marketing year 1998/99***Current Total Aggregate Measurement of Support*

Total AMS commitment level for 1998 (from Section 1 of Part IV of the Schedule)	Currency (from Section 1 of Part IV of the Schedule)	Current Total AMS (from attached Supporting Tables)
1	2	3
71,765	Million EURO	46,683.0

DOMESTIC SUPPORT: European Communities**REPORTING PERIOD: Marketing year 1998/99***Measures exempt from the reduction commitment: "Green Box"*

Measure Type	Name and description of measure with reference to criteria in Annex 2	Monetary value (Mio EURO)	Data Source ¹	Comments
1	2	3	4	5
(a) General Services				
<i>Research (i)</i>	Improvement of production potential through animal and plant selection and of production techniques through e.g. testing of machinery; development of experimental centres; pilot projects and demonstration projects; salaries of personnel.	1,206.9		Council Regulations 154/75, 4256/88, 2075/92, 2085/93, Directive 94/805
<i>Pest and disease control (ii)</i>	Plant and animal health control and protection; supply of vaccines; salaries of personnel; launching aid for livestock health protection groups.	1,128.0		Commission Regulation 3868/92, Directive 90/424
<i>Training services (iii)</i>	Establishment of agricultural training centres; grants for course attendance; salaries of advisors.	96.1		Council Regulation 2085/93
<i>Extension and advisory services (iv)</i>	Establishment of inter-regional advisory centres; training and employment of advisors.	289.7		Council Regulation 2085/93
<i>Inspection services (v)</i>	Livestock inspection services; quality control; remunerating and training of inspectors.	198.8		Council Regulation 2085/93
<i>Marketing and promotion services (vi)</i>	Aid to encourage establishment of producer groups and ease administrative overheads; schemes to improve marketing network, quality and presentation of produce; certification; protection of geographical indications.	1,094.4		Council Regulations 1035/72, 867/90, 2200/96, 2202/96, 951/97
<i>Infrastructural services (vii)</i>	Arterial drainage; collective irrigation schemes; provision of electricity and water supply; farm roads; construction of reservoirs; flood protection.	594.9		Council Regulation 950/97
<i>Other farm services (viii)</i>	Launching services for mutual aid, farm relief, farm management, introduction of accounting on the farm.	409.0		Council Regulations 2085/93, 2801/95
(b) Public Stockholding for Food Security Purposes		19.1		
(c) Domestic Food Aid	Distribution of agricultural products to deprived persons, Schoolmilk, Consumption aid programmes.	275.7		Council Regulation 3730/87, 1842/83
(d) Decoupled Income Support	Agri-monetary aid.	128.6		Council Regulations 3813/92, 950/97

Measure Type	Name and description of measure with reference to criteria in Annex 2	Monetary value (Mio EURO)	Data Source ¹	Comments
1	2	3	4	5
(e) Income Insurance and Income Safety-net Programmes		0.0		Council Regulation 1527/95, Commission Regulation 2921/95
(f) Payments for Relief from Natural Disasters	Compensatory payments in respect of weather; restoration of agricultural production potential and natural disasters	182.6		Council Regulations 1654/86, 3606/86, 2052/88, 3222/88
(g) Structural Adjustment Assistance provided through Producer Retirement Programmes	Compensation payments to farmers at least 55 years old leaving agriculture; Aid for early retirement from farming.	708.5		Council Regulations 1096/88, 2079/92
(h) Structural Adjustment Assistance provided through Resource Retirement Programmes	Set-aside; at least 20 per cent cultivated land to be left fallow, wooded or used for non-agricultural purposes; compensation for grubbing up, leaving or suspending production.	428.3		Council Regulations 1442/88, 2328/91, 2066/92, 3950/92, 2187/93, 2505/95, 2727/95
(i) Structural Adjustment Assistance provided through Investment Aids	Construction of processing, packaging and storage centres and equipment; land improvement (levelling, fencing, etc.). Aid for farm modernization granted through subsidies or equivalent interest concessions; purchase of machinery and equipment, animals, buildings and plantations etc. Aid for young farmers.	5,401.3		Council Regulations 2328/91, 2085/93, 950/97, 951/97; Directives 89/687, 91/314, 91/315
(j) Environmental Programmes	Protection of environment and preservation of the countryside, control of soil erosion, extensification, aid for environmentally sensitive areas; support and protection of organic production by creating conditions of fair competition; aid for forestry measures in agriculture; conservation of genetic resources in agriculture.	4,965.1		Council Regulations 805/86, 2078/92, 2079/92, 2080/92
(k) Regional Assistance Programmes	Specific measures for the benefit of certain disadvantaged areas (French overseas departments, Azores, Madeira, Canary Islands, Aegean Islands) and other less-favoured areas (LFA) and mountainous areas.	2,041.0		Council Regulations 3763/91, 1600/92, 1601/92, 2019/93, 2081/93, 950/97
(l) Other		0		
TOTAL GREEN		19,168.0		

¹ FEOGA financial report 1998 and national sources.

DOMESTIC SUPPORT: European Communities**REPORTING PERIOD: Marketing year 1998/99***Measures exempt from the reduction commitment – Direct Payments under Production-Limiting Programmes – "Exempt Direct Payments"*

Measure type	Name and description of measure with reference to criteria in Article 6:5	Monetary value of measure in year in question (Mio EURO)	Data source ²
1	2	3	4
Payments based on fixed area and yields			
	Per hectare compensatory payments to producers of maize, based on regional base areas. ³	1,182.2	
	Per hectare compensatory payments for producers of cereals not subject of the base area for maize, based on regional base areas. ⁴	9,372.1	
	Per hectare compensatory payments for producers of soya beans, colza seed and sunflowerseed, based on regional base areas. ⁴	2,263.7	
	Per hectare compensatory payments for producers of peas, beans, field beans and sweet lupines, based on regional base areas. ⁴	647.2	
	Per hectare compensatory payments for producers of non-textile flax seed, based on regional base areas. ⁴	165.5	
	Compensation for set-aside requirement related to the per hectare aid, equivalent to the compensatory aid per hectare for cereals calculated on a regional level. ⁴	1,272.3	
	Supplements to per hectare compensatory payments for durum wheat producers. ⁴	993.2	
	Per hectare compensatory payments for producers of rice ⁴	81.3	
Payments based on 85 per cent or less of the base level of production		-	
Livestock payments made on a fixed number of head			
	Payments to producers keeping suckler cows, compensating for intervention price reduction, limited on the number of animals in accordance with reference years (suckler cow premiums). ⁵	1,669.4	
	Special premium for producers holding male bovine animals, within regional ceilings under a reference year (special premium beef and veal). ⁶	1,297.3	
	Additional premium to the special premium in order to deseasonalize slaughtering (deseasonalization premium). ⁶	23.7	
	Compensatory payments for ewes and goats, limited per producer in accordance with reference numbers (ewe and goat premium). ⁶	1,535.6	

² FEOGA financial report 1998.³ See Council Regulation 1765/92.⁴ See Council Regulation 3072/95.⁵ See Council Regulations 2066/92 and 1357/96.⁶ See Council Regulation 2069/92.

Supporting Table DS:4

DOMESTIC SUPPORT: European Communities

REPORTING PERIOD: Marketing year 1998/99

Calculation of the Current Total Aggregate Measurement of Support

Description of basic products (including non-product-specific AMS)	Product-specific AMS (from Supporting Tables DS:5 to DS:7 below) (Mio EURO)	Product-specific equivalent measurements of support (from Supporting Table DS:8 below) (Mio EURO)	Current Total AMS (aggregate) (Mio EURO)
1	2	3	4
Common wheat	3,091.0		3,091.0
Durum wheat	-230.4		0.0
Common wheat, maize, barley, rye, triticale, grain sorghum	20.8		0.0 (<i>de minimis</i>)
Barley	2,685.6		2,685.6
Maize	952.2		952.2
Rye	330.2		330.2
Oats	11.9		11.9
Sorghum	20.9		20.9
Triticale	253.8		253.8
Rice	437.5		437.5
White sugar	5,811.4		5,811.4
Skimmed milk powder	1,508.3		1,508.3
Butter	4,209.7		4,209.7
Beef	13,375.2		13,375.2
Dried fodder	307.0		307.0
Chick-peas, lentils and vetches	70.5		70.5
Olive oil	1,798.3		1,798.3
Tobacco	909.8		909.8

Description of basic products (including non-product-specific AMS)	Product-specific AMS (from Supporting Tables DS:5 to DS:7 below) (Mio EURO)	Product-specific equivalent measurements of support (from Supporting Table DS:8 below) (Mio EURO)	Current Total AMS (aggregate) (Mio EURO)
1	2	3	4
Bananas	177.6		177.6
Apples		1,917.5	1,917.5
Pears		550.9	550.9
Apricots		101.6	101.6
Cherries		95.9	95.9
Peaches/nectarines		400.2	400.2
Table grapes		222.8	222.8
Plums		58.7	58.7
Lemons		290.7	290.7
Clementines		183.1	183.1
Mandarins		33.4	33.4
Satsumas		21.9	21.9
Oranges		277.3	277.3
Cucumbers		588.8	588.8
Courgettes		173.7	173.7
Artichokes		224.1	224.1
Tomatoes		2,104.7	2,104.7
Wine		1,828.2	1,828.2
Seed for sowing		108.1	108.1
Hemp		25.7	25.7
Flax fibre		97.9	97.9
Silkworms		0.4	0.4
Hops		12.6	12.6
Cotton		715.2	715.2

Description of basic products (including non-product-specific AMS)	Product-specific AMS (from Supporting Tables DS:5 to DS:7 below) (Mio EURO)	Product-specific equivalent measurements of support (from Supporting Table DS:8 below) (Mio EURO)	Current Total AMS (aggregate) (Mio EURO)
1	2	3	4
Cauliflower/aubergines (withdrawal)	10.3		0.0 (<i>de minimis</i>)
Tinned pineapple		6.3	6.3
Citrus fruit for processing	108.0		108.0
Lemons for processing	35.8		35.8
Peaches for processing		66.0	66.0
Plums for processing		33.3	33.3
Pears for processing		41.6	41.6
Figs for processing		6.0	6.0
Tomatoes for processing		401.7	401.7
Potatoes for processing to starch	145.6	-168.0	0.0 (<i>de minimis</i>)
Total Non-product-specific AMS (from Supporting Table DS:9 below)			0.0 (<i>de minimis</i>)
TOTAL: Current Total AMS			46,683.0

DOMESTIC SUPPORT: European Communities**REPORTING PERIOD: Marketing year 1998/99***Product-Specific Aggregate Measurements of Support: Market Price Support*

Description of basic products	Marketing year beginning ...	Measure type(s)	Applied administered price (EURO/t)	External reference price (EURO/t)	Eligible production (Mio t)	Associated fees/levies (Mio EURO)	Total market price support (Mio EURO)	Data source ⁷
1	2	3	4	5	6	7 ((4-5)*6)-7)	8	9
Common wheat	1 July 1998	price support	119.2	86.5	94.5		3,091.0	
Durum wheat	1 July 1998	price support	119.2	148.5	7.9		- 230.4	
Barley	1 July 1998	price support	119.2	67.3	51.7		2,685.6	
Maize	1 July 1998	price support	119.2	91.9	34.9		952.2	
Rye	1 July 1998	price support	119.2	67.3	6.4		330.2	
Oats	1 July 1998	price support	114.4	112.5	6.3		11.9	
Sorghum	1 July 1998	price support	119.2	85.7	0.6		20.9	
Triticale	1 July 1998	price support	119.2	67.3	4.9		253.8	
Rice	1 Sept. 1998	price support	315.9	143.3	2.5		437.5	
White sugar	1 Oct. 1998	price support	631.9	193.8	14.2	466.4	5,754.6	
Skimmed milk powder	1 July 1998	price support	2,055.2	684.7	1.1		1,507.6	
Butter	1 July 1998	price support	3,282.0	943.3	1.8		4,209.7	
Beef	1 Jan. 1998	price support	3,475.0	1,729.8	7.7		13,375.2	
Olive oil	1 Nov. 1998	price support	3,837.7	2,851.8	1.8		1,798.3	

⁷ Applied administered price: EC legislation; in market €.
 Production: EC estimates.
 Fees and levies: FEOGA financial report 1999.

Supporting Table DS:6

DOMESTIC SUPPORT: European Communities**REPORTING PERIOD: Marketing year 1998/99***Product-Specific Aggregate Measurements of Support: Non-Exempt Direct Payments*

Description of basic product	Marketing year beginning...	Measure type(s)	Applied administered price (EURO/t)	External reference price (EURO/t)	Eligible production (Mio t)	Total price-related direct payments (Mio EURO)	Other non-exempt direct payments (Mio EURO)	Associated fees/levies (Mio EURO)	Total direct payments (Mio EURO)	Data source ⁸
1	2	3	4	5	6	7 ((4-5)*6))	8	9	10	11
Sugar ⁹	1 July 1998	Direct aid Italy Direct aid Spain					47.6 9.2		47.6 9.2	
Dried fodder	1 April 1998	Processing aid					307.0		307.0	
Chick-peas, lentils and vetches	16 Oct. 1998	Hectare aid ¹⁰					70.5		70.5	
Bananas	16 Oct. 1998	Direct aid ¹¹					177.6		177.6	
Common wheat, maize, barley, rye, triticale, grain sorghum	16 Oct. 1998	Aid for Portuguese producers ¹²					20.8		20.8	
Skimmed milk powder	16 Oct. 1998	Aid for Portuguese producers ¹³					0.7		0.7	
Withdrawal measures cauliflower, aubergines ¹⁴	16 Oct. 1998	Compensatory payments					10.3		10.3	
Citrus fruit for processing	16 Oct. 1998	Production aid ¹⁵					108.0		108.0	
Lemons for processing	16 Oct. 1998	Production aid ¹⁵					35.8		35.8	
Tobacco	16 Oct. 1998	Premium					909.8		909.8	
Potatoes for processing to starch	16 Oct. 1998	Compensatory payments					145.6		145.6	

⁸ Applied administered price: EC legislation.
 Production: EC estimates.
 Payments, fees and levies: FEOGA financial report 1998; Member States figures.

⁹ Payments: National expenditures.

¹⁰ See Council Regulation 1577/96.

¹¹ See Council Regulation 404/93.

¹² See Council Regulation 3653/90.

¹³ See Council Regulation 739/93.

¹⁴ See Council Regulation 2200/96.

¹⁵ See Council Regulation 2202/96.

DOMESTIC SUPPORT: European Communities**REPORTING PERIOD: Marketing year 1998/99***Product-Specific Aggregate Measurements of Support: Other Product-Specific and Total Product-Specific AMS*

Description of basic product	Marketing year beginning...	Measurement type(s)	Other product-specific budgetary outlays	Other product specific support	Associated fees/levies	Total other product-specific support (Mio EURO)	Market price support (Supporting Table DS:5) (Mio EURO)	Non-exempt direct payments (Supporting Table DS:6) (Mio EURO)	Total AMS (Mio EURO)	Data source
1	2	3	4	5	6	7 (4+5-6)	8	9	10 (7+8-9)	11
Common wheat	1 July 1998	Price support					3,091.0		3,091.0	
Durum wheat	1 July 1998	Price support					- 230.4		- 230.4	
Barley	1 July 1998	Price support					2,685.6		2,685.6	
Maize	1 July 1998	Price support					952.2		952.2	
Rye	1 July 1998	Price support					330.2		330.2	
Oats	1 July 1998	Price support					11.9		11.9	
Sorghum	1 July 1998	Price support					20.9		20.9	
Triticale	1 July 1998	Price support					253.8		253.8	
Rice	1 Sept. 1998	Price support					437.5		437.5	
Common wheat, maize, barley, rye, triticale, grain sorghum	16 Oct. 1998	Aid for Portuguese producers						20.8	20.8	
Dried fodder	1 April 1998	Processing aid						307.0	307.0	
Chick-peas, lentils and vetches	16 Oct. 1998	Hectare aid						70.5	70.5	

Description of basic product	Marketing year beginning...	Measurement type(s)	Other product-specific budgetary outlays	Other product specific support	Associated fees/levies	Total other product-specific support (Mio EURO)	Market price support (Supporting Table DS:5) (Mio EURO)	Non-exempt direct payments (Supporting Table DS:6) (Mio EURO)	Total AMS (Mio EURO)	Data source
1	2	3	4	5	6	7 (4+5-6)	8	9	10 (7+8-9)	11
Sugar	1 Oct. 1998 1 July 1998	Price support white sugar National aid					5,754.6	56.8	5,811.4	
Olive oil	1 Nov. 1998	Price support					1,798.3		1,798.3	
Bananas	16 Oct. 1998	Direct aid						177.6	177.6	
Skimmed milk powder	1 July 1998 16 Oct. 1998	Price support Aid for Portuguese producers					1,507.6	0.7	1,508.3	
Butter	1 July 1998	Price support					4,209.7		4,209.7	
Beef	1 Jan. 1998	Price support					13,375.2		13,375.2	
Withdrawal measures cauliflower, aubergines	16 Oct. 1998	Compensatory payments						10.3	10.3	
Citrus fruit for processing	16 Oct. 1998	Production aid						108.0	108.0	
Lemons for processing	16 Oct. 1998	Production aid						35.8	35.8	
Tobacco	16 October 1998	Premium						909.8	909.8	
Potatoes for processing to starch	16 Oct. 1998	Compensatory payments						145.6	145.6	

DOMESTIC SUPPORT: European Communities**REPORTING PERIOD: Marketing year 1998/99***Product-Specific Equivalent Measurements of Support*

Description of basic products	Marketing year beginning...	Measure type(s)	Applied administered price (EURO/t)	Production eligible to receive the applied administered price (000 t)	Market price support budgetary outlays (Mio EURO)	Equivalent measurement of support (Mio EURO)	Non-exempt direct payments (Mio EURO)	Other product-specific support (Mio EURO)	Associated fees/levees (Mio EURO)	Total monetary value of equivalent commitment (Mio EURO)	Data source ¹⁷
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11 (7+8+9-10)	12
Apples	1 July 1998	Price support ¹⁶	588	7,432		1,917.5				1,917.5	
Pears	1 June 1998	Price support	530	2,141		550.9				550.9	
Apricots	1 May 1998	Price support	1,090	412		101.6				101.6	
Cherries	1 April 1998	Price support	1,517	323		95.9				95.9	
Peaches/ nectarines	1 May 1998	Price support	894	2,838		400.2				400.2	
Table grapes	1 May 1998	Price support	550	2,235		222.8				222.8	
Plums	1 June 1998	Price support	705	526		58.7				58.7	
Lemons	1 June 1998	Price support	579	1,052		290.7				290.7	
Clementines	1 Oct. 1998	Price support	658	1,596		183.1				183.1	
Mandarins	1 Oct. 1998	Price support	295	290		33.4				33.4	
Satsumas	1 Oct. 1998	Price support	295	190		21.9				21.9	
Oranges	1 Oct. 1998	Price support	360	3,601		277.3				277.3	
Cucumbers	1 Jan. 1998	Price support	1,137	1,435		588.8				588.8	

Description of basic products	Marketing year beginning...	Measure type(s)	Applied administered price (EURO/t)	Production eligible to receive the applied administered price (000 t)	Market price support budgetary outlays (Mio EURO)	Equivalent measurement of support (Mio EURO)	Non-exempt direct payments (Mio EURO)	Other product-specific support (Mio EURO)	Associated fees/levees (Mio EURO)	Total monetary value of equivalent commitment (Mio EURO)	Data source ¹⁷
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11 (7+8+9-10)	12
Courgettes	1 Jan. 1998	Price support	705	1,053		173.7				173.7	
Artichokes	1 Oct. 1998	Price support	962	901		224.1				224.1	
Tomatoes	1 Jan. 1998	Price support	1,151	6,516		2,104.7				2,104.7	
Wine ¹⁷	1 Sept. 1998	Guide price	38.3	90,369		1,828.2				1,828.2	
Seed for sowing	16 Oct. 1998	Production aid					108.1			108.1	
Cotton	1 Sept. 1998	Guide price ¹⁸	873.8 771.7	338 1,211		182.9 532.3				715.2	
Hemp	1 Aug. 1998	Hectare aid ¹⁹					25.7			25.7	
Flax fibre	1 Aug. 1998	Hectare aid					97.9			97.9	
Silkworms	16 Oct. 1998	Production aid					0.4			0.4	
Hops	16 Oct. 1998	Hectare aid					12.6			12.6	
Tinned pineapple	1 June 1998	Minimum price	376.5	15		6.3				6.3	
Peaches for processing	1 July 1998	Minimum price	307.6	416		66.0				66.0	
Plums for processing	1 Sept. 1998	Minimum price	1,935.2	47		33.3				33.3	
Pears for processing	1 July 1998	Minimum price	392.6	149		41.6				41.6	
Figs for processing	1 July 1998	Minimum price	805.0	14		6.0				6.0	

Description of basic products	Marketing year beginning...	Measure type(s)	Applied administered price (EURO/t)	Production eligible to receive the applied administered price (000 t)	Market price support budgetary outlays (Mio EURO)	Equivalent measurement of support (Mio EURO)	Non-exempt direct payments (Mio EURO)	Other product-specific support (Mio EURO)	Associated fees/levees (Mio EURO)	Total monetary value of equivalent commitment (Mio EURO)	Data source ¹⁷
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11 (7+8+9-10)	12
Tomatoes for processing	1 July 1998	Minimum price	93.6	7,924		401.7				401.7	
Potatoes for processing to starch	1 July 1998	Minimum price	209.8	1,660		- 168.0				-168.0	

¹⁶ Highest entry prices during the year taken as applied administered price

¹⁷ Prices given in EURO/hl, production given in 000 hl.

¹⁸ Calculations are split up between EC-14 and Greece: Greece has a reduced guide price due to exceeding the maximum guaranteed quantity.

¹⁹ Support is calculated as aid multiplied by number of hectares receiving the aid.

Supporting Table DS:9

DOMESTIC SUPPORT: European Communities**REPORTING PERIOD: Marketing year 1998/99***Non-Product-Specific AMS*

Measure type(s)	Marketing year beginning...	Non-product- specific budgetary outlays (Mio EURO)	Other non-product specific support (include calculation details)	Associated fees/levies	Total non-product- specific support (Mio EURO) ²⁰	Data sources
1	2	3	4	5	6 (3+4-5)	7
Insurance subsidies		35.3			35.3	
Interest concessions		312.5			312.5	
Total non-product specific					347.8 <i>(de minimis)</i>	

²⁰ *De minimis* levels, value of total agricultural production 217.8 billion EURO.