


# Procedure file

Basic information		
CNS - Consultation procedure Regulation	1996/0063(CNS)	Procedure lapsed or withdrawn
Agricultural prices 1996/1997: flax and hemp, common organisation of the market COM		
Subject 3.10.06.05 Textile plants, cotton		

Key players			
European Parliament	Committee responsible	Rapporteur	Appointed
	<b>AGRI</b> Agriculture and Rural Development		31/10/1995
		UPE <a href="#">SANTINI Giacomo</a>	
	Committee for opinion	Rapporteur for opinion	Appointed
	<b>BUDG</b> Budgets		19/03/1996
Council of the European Union		UPE <a href="#">GIANILY Jean-Antoine</a>	
	<b>RELA</b> External Economic Relations		
	<b>ENVI</b> Environment, Public Health and Consumer Protection		
Council of the European Union	Council configuration	Meeting	Date
	<a href="#">Agriculture and Fisheries</a>	<a href="#">1944</a>	24/07/1996

Key events			
14/02/1996	Legislative proposal published	COM(1996)0044	Summary
15/04/1996	Committee referral announced in Parliament		
23/04/1996	Vote in committee		Summary
23/04/1996	Committee report tabled for plenary, 1st reading/single reading	<a href="#">A4-0117/1996</a>	
22/05/1996	Debate in Parliament		
23/05/1996	Decision by Parliament	T4-0258/1996	Summary
10/06/1996	Vote in committee		Summary
24/07/1996	Debate in Council	<a href="#">1944</a>	
09/06/2000	End of procedure in Parliament		

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09/01/2004	Additional information		Summary

### Technical information

Procedure reference	1996/0063(CNS)
Procedure type	CNS - Consultation procedure
Procedure subtype	Legislation
Legislative instrument	Regulation
Legal basis	EC Treaty (after Amsterdam) EC 037
Stage reached in procedure	Procedure lapsed or withdrawn

### Documentation gateway

Legislative proposal		COM(1996)0044	14/02/1996	EC	Summary
Committee report tabled for plenary, 1st reading/single reading		<a href="#">A4-0117/1996</a> <a href="#">OJ C 152 27.05.1996, p. 0003</a>	23/04/1996	EP	
Text adopted by Parliament, 1st reading/single reading		T4-0258/1996 <a href="#">OJ C 166 10.06.1996, p. 0130-0155</a>	23/05/1996	EP	Summary

### Additional information

European Commission	<a href="#">EUR-Lex</a>
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## Agricultural prices 1996/1997: flax and hemp, common organisation of the market COM

Agricultural prices and related measures 1996/97 - Fibre flax. Because of the desirability of more stability in the flax market and in the areas sown, the Commission proposes a regime providing for a Community maximum guaranteed area (MGA) based on average area cultivated over the last three years (81 500 ha) to be applied from the 1997/98 marketing year. In case of overshoot, a reduction in the aid (1% for an overrun of each 1% of the MGA) for the marketing year concerned will apply. In order to avoid the effect of the MGA bearing disproportionately on producers practising traditional production techniques, it is proposed to introduce, as of the 1997/98 marketing year, an aid abatement to be applied to the aid paid to those producers who harvest their crops by cutting rather than grubbing up their crops. The level of the abatement, to be set by the Commission (management committee procedure), will take account of the variable costs and values of output of the two systems as well as the need to avoid encouraging the non-traditional producers to invest in the traditional intensive production techniques. This new abatement would replace the existing abatements based on yields of seed. The new system will be reviewed after three years to verify whether it has allowed the objective of maintaining a balance between the traditional and less intensive techniques to be attained. ?

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In adopting the report by Mr Giacomo SANTINI (UPE, I), the European Parliament called for measures to encourage the use of agricultural products for non-food purposes since fibre plants were especially suitable for this purpose. Moreover, it proposed increasing the maximum guaranteed area from 81 500 hectares (Commission proposal) to 103 000 hectares and modifying the system for reducing aid where the MGA was exceeded by applying additional reductions in the Member States concerned. ?

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As announced in Official Journal C 5 of 9 January 2004, the Commission decided to withdraw this proposal, which had become obsolete.