


# Procedure file

Basic information		
CNS - Consultation procedure Regulation	1996/0212(CNS)	Procedure lapsed or withdrawn
Support system for producers of certain arable corps		
Subject 3.10.14 Support for producers and premiums		

Key players			
European Parliament	Committee responsible	Rapporteur	Appointed
	<b>AGRI</b> Agriculture and Rural Development		03/09/1996
		PPE <a href="#">FUNK Honor</a>	
	Committee for opinion	Rapporteur for opinion	Appointed
	<b>BUDG</b> Budgets		20/03/1997
		PSE <a href="#">KATIFORIS Giorgos</a>	
Council of the European Union	Council configuration	Meeting	Date
	<a href="#">Agriculture and Fisheries</a>	<a href="#">1959</a>	28/10/1996
	<a href="#">Agriculture and Fisheries</a>	<a href="#">1946</a>	17/09/1996

Key events			
30/07/1996	Legislative proposal published	COM(1996)0422	Summary
04/09/1996	Committee referral announced in Parliament		
17/09/1996	Debate in Council	<a href="#">1946</a>	Summary
28/10/1996	Debate in Council	<a href="#">1959</a>	
29/01/1997	Modified legislative proposal published	COM(1997)0022	Summary
21/05/1997	Vote in committee		Summary
21/05/1997	Committee report tabled for plenary, 1st reading/single reading	<a href="#">A4-0176/1997</a>	
10/06/1997	Debate in Parliament		
12/06/1997	Decision by Parliament	T4-0309/1997	Summary
17/12/1998	End of procedure in Parliament		
17/12/1998	Additional information		Summary

Technical information	
Procedure reference	1996/0212(CNS)
Procedure type	CNS - Consultation procedure
Procedure subtype	Legislation
Legislative instrument	Regulation
Legal basis	Rules of Procedure EP 163; EC before Amsterdam E 043
Stage reached in procedure	Procedure lapsed or withdrawn

Documentation gateway					
Legislative proposal		COM(1996)0422	30/07/1996	EC	Summary
Modified legislative proposal		COM(1997)0022 <a href="#">OJ C 095 24.03.1997, p. 0063</a>	29/01/1997	EC	Summary
Committee report tabled for plenary, 1st reading/single reading		<a href="#">A4-0176/1997</a> <a href="#">OJ C 200 30.06.1997, p. 0003</a>	21/05/1997	EP	
Text adopted by Parliament, 1st reading/single reading		T4-0309/1997 <a href="#">OJ C 200 30.06.1997, p. 0094-0125</a>	12/06/1997	EP	Summary

Additional information	
European Commission	<a href="#">EUR-Lex</a>

## Support system for producers of certain arable crops

OBJECTIVE: making savings within the EAGGF Guarantee Section by adjusting compensatory payments for arable crops in order to tackle the problems in the beef sector. SUBSTANCE: the amendments to Regulation (EEC) No 1765/92 proposed by the Commission are aimed at: - reducing aid per hectare (cereals and silage crops; set-aside; oilseeds; non-fibre flax; additional aid for durum wheat); - maintaining compensatory payments for protein plants at their current level; - postponing advances for oilseeds by setting the date from which they may be paid at 16 October; - aligning compensation for set-aside on that for cereals. ?

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While awaiting Parliament's opinion, the Council held an initial debate on the matter in question on the basis of preparatory work undertaken by the Special Committee on Agriculture. The Council debates served to highlight the wide range of views held on each of the Commission's proposals. However, it was also possible to identify areas of agreement and a number of convergent positions. In this respect: - there was agreement on the need for raising the intervention limits as a short-term measure; - there was also broad support for the proposal on intervention for grazing animals; - several delegations were concerned about the Commission's proposal on the reduction of aid for arable crops and took the view that in any case such a reduction should be subject to a time limit, since the budget problem was too; - several Member States were of the opinion that the Commission's proposal, which sought to delay payments to the oilseed sector, would be an appropriate measure; - there was also broad support for introducing measures aimed at promoting beef consumption.

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Without prejudice to the opinion of the European Parliament, the amended proposal acts on the Council's request for a proposal seeking to increase the maximum advance payment for oilseeds to 65% (instead of 50%). The European Parliament supported such a modification of Regulation 1765/92/EEC at its sitting of 3 December 1996. ?

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By adopting the report by Mr Honor FUNK (PPE, D) by 247 votes to 137, with 10 abstentions, the European Parliament rejected the Commission's proposals for a reduction in the compensatory payments for arable crops, and especially oilseeds. As regards the deferment of

the advance payment (the maximum having been increased to 65% for oilseeds), it called for only the part of the advance payments which could not be covered by the 1997 budget to be paid from 16 October 1997 if the appropriations available for financing the advance prove insufficient. ?

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This proposal was withdrawn by the Commission because it was no longer considered to be of relevance. ?