

Procedure file

Basic information		
CNS - Consultation procedure Regulation	1997/0092(CNS)	Procedure completed
Agricultural prices 1997/1998: aid for fibre flax and hemp, measures to promote the use of flax fiber		
Subject 3.10.06.05 Textile plants, cotton		

Key players			
European Parliament	Committee responsible	Rapporteur	Appointed
	AGRI Agriculture and Rural Development		28/01/1997
		PPE STURDY Robert	
	Committee for opinion	Rapporteur for opinion	Appointed
	BUDG Budgets		20/03/1997
		PSE KATIFORIS Giorgos	
	RELA External Economic Relations		
	ENVI Environment, Public Health and Consumer Protection		
	DEVE Development and Cooperation		
Council of the European Union	Council configuration	Meeting	Date
	Agriculture and Fisheries	2025	22/07/1997
	Agriculture and Fisheries	2018	23/06/1997
	Agriculture and Fisheries	2000	21/04/1997

Key events			
14/03/1997	Legislative proposal published	COM(1997)0089	Summary
07/04/1997	Committee referral announced in Parliament		
21/04/1997	Debate in Council	2000	
21/05/1997	Vote in committee		Summary
21/05/1997	Committee report tabled for plenary, 1st reading/single reading	A4-0173/1997	
10/06/1997	Debate in Parliament		
12/06/1997	Decision by Parliament	T4-0298/1997	Summary

22/07/1997	Act adopted by Council after consultation of Parliament		
22/07/1997	End of procedure in Parliament		
24/07/1997	Final act published in Official Journal		

Technical information

Procedure reference	1997/0092(CNS)
Procedure type	CNS - Consultation procedure
Procedure subtype	Legislation
Legislative instrument	Regulation
Legal basis	EC before Amsterdam E 000
Stage reached in procedure	Procedure completed

Documentation gateway

Legislative proposal	COM(1997)0089	14/03/1997	EC	Summary
Committee report tabled for plenary, 1st reading/single reading	A4-0173/1997 OJ C 200 30.06.1997, p. 0003	21/05/1997	EP	
Economic and Social Committee: opinion, report	CES0601/1997 OJ C 287 22.09.1997, p. 0066	28/05/1997	ESC	Summary
Text adopted by Parliament, 1st reading/single reading	T4-0298/1997 OJ C 200 30.06.1997, p. 0094-0115	12/06/1997	EP	Summary

Additional information

European Commission	EUR-Lex
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Final act

Regulation 1997/1415 OJ L 196 24.07.1997, p. 0006 Summary
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Agricultural prices 1997/1998: aid for fibre flax and hemp, measures to promote the use of flax fiber

Agricultural prices 1997/98 - flax and hemp - flax: in the scheme for flax the amount of aid actually reaching the beneficiary is reduced by a certain amount to be used to finance promotional activities for the use of flax fibre. For several years it has been apparent that following the expansion of areas the annual amount of the reduction has systematically exceeded the expenditure for promotional activities. The Commission has therefore proposed for the 1997/98 marketing year to cancel this amount. It is thus proposed to limit to its current level the amount paid to the beneficiary, i.e. to set the amount of aid at ECU 815.86 /ha, i.e. the current amount (ECU 865.48/ha) less the amount currently used for promotional activities (ECU 49.62/ha). - hemp: the Commission considers that the difference between the aid for flax and the aid for hemp should not be reduced so that the current trend to increase the area planted to hemp is not encouraged. The Commission therefore proposes a reduction of 7.5% in aid for hemp, which means that it will be set at ECU 716.63/ha (instead of ECU 774.74/ha for the previous marketing year). ?

Agricultural prices 1997/1998: aid for fibre flax and hemp, measures to promote the use of flax fiber

Agricultural prices 1997/1998 - Fibre flax and hemp Adopting the report by Mr Robert STURDY (PPE, UK), Parliament was in favour of maintaining aid to hemp (ECU 774.63 per hectare) although the Commission proposed a 7.5% reduction. The cost would be ECU 1 million. Pursuant to the Regulation on flax fibre, aid should be granted, from the 1998/1999 marketing year, only when there is a sales contract with a

recognized processor. ?

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Agricultural prices 1997/1998 - Fibre flax and hemp. The Council adopted Regulation (EC) No 1415/97. Flax: the amount withheld for promotional activities was set at zero and the current amount of net aid paid to producers was maintained, as proposed by the Commission. If it proves necessary to reintroduce a deduction for promotional activities for the use of fibre flax, the level of aid will be increased accordingly. Hemp: 7.5% reduction in aid, as proposed by the Commission. The Council called on the Commission to study the possibility of introducing obligatory contracts between hemp producers and the hemp processing industry.?