#### Procedure file

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Key events			
25/07/1997	Legislative proposal published	COM(1997)0412	Summary
19/09/1997	Committee referral announced in Parliament		
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28/10/1997	Committee report tabled for plenary, 1st reading/single reading	A4-0330/1997	
18/11/1997	Decision by Parliament	T4-0542/1997	Summary
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Procedure type	CNS - Consultation procedure

Procedure subtype	Legislation
Legislative instrument	Regulation
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Additional information	
European Commission	<u>EUR-Lex</u>

#### Final act

Regulation 1997/2613
OJ L 353 24.12.1997, p. 0003 Summary

#### Sugar beet: authorisation for Portugal to grant aid to sugar beet producers to 2001/2002 marketing year

OBJECTIVE: the proposal has two objectives: 1) to authorize Portugal to grant national aid to its sugar beet producers in the marketing years from 1998/99 and 2000/2001; 2) to abolish all such aid in the sugar sector from the 2001/2002 marketing year. CONTENT: the proposal has two distinct elements: 1) authorization for Portugal to grant its sugar beet producers temporary adjustment aid, reducing gradually over a period of 4 marketing years from 1997/98 to 2000/2001 (sugar beet farming in Portugal is hampered by production difficulties, especially during the start-up stage); 2) abolition of all aid to sugar producers as from the 2001/2002 marketing year (aid referred to in Article 46 of Regulation (EEC) No 1785/81). This refers in particular to the following aid: - aid for sugar beet and sugar in the southern region of Italy; - aid for cane sugar produced in Spain; - aid for preferential cane sugar refining in the United Kingdom.?

# Sugar beet: authorisation for Portugal to grant aid to sugar beet producers to 2001/2002 marketing year

The rapporteur, Mr Juan Luis COLINO SALAMANCA, approved the Commission proposal authorizing Portugal to grant national aid, reducing gradually, to its sugar beet producers over a period of four marketing years from 1997/98 to 2000/2001, with maximum aid of ECU 2.5 million for the next marketing year. However, he considered the Commission proposal to abolish all national aid authorized for Portugal unjustified. According to the rapporteur, it is inappropriate to introduce at this stage a negative provision which risks blocking any negotiation within the Council of Ministers on the level of national quotas. In addition, any common organization of the markets in the sugar sector will need to be re-examined by the year 2001. Consequently, the rapporteur calls on the Commission to transmit to the Council and Parliament a report on the operation of the national aid system by the end of the 2001/2002 marketing year and, in the light of the outcome, for the granting of such aid to be extended if necessary.?

## Sugar beet: authorisation for Portugal to grant aid to sugar beet producers to 2001/2002 marketing year

In adopting the report by Mr Juan Luis COLINO SALAMANCA (PSE, E), the European Parliament has approved the proposal. It calls on the Commission to transmit to the Council and Parliament a report on the operation of the national aids system by the end of the 2001/2002 marketing year and, in the light of the outcome, for the granting of such aid to be extended if necessary. ?

# Sugar beet: authorisation for Portugal to grant aid to sugar beet producers to 2001/2002 marketing year

OBJECTIVE: the Regulation has two objectives: 1) to authorize Portugal to grant national aid to its sugar beet producers in the marketing years from 1998/99 to 2000/2001; 2) to abolish all such aid in the sugar sector from the 2001/2002 marketing year. COMMUNITY MEASURE: Council Regulation (EC) No 2613/97 authorizing Portugal to grant aid to sugar beet producers and abolishing all such aid from the 2001/02 marketing year. SUBSTANCE: The Regulation comprises two distinct elements: 1) authorization for Portugal to grant temporary adjustment aid, reducing gradually, to sugar beet producers in its continental territory over the three marketing years from 1998/99 to 2000/2001 (aid ranging from ECU 6.21/100 kg of white sugar for 1998/99 to ECU 3.11 in 2000/2001); 2) abolition of all aid to sugar producers as from the 2001/2002 marketing year (aid referred to in Article 46 of Regulation (EEC) No 1785/81). ENTRY INTO FORCE: the Regulation enters into force on 27.12.1997.?