

Procedure file

Basic information	
SYN - Cooperation procedure (historic)	1994/0147(SYN)
Special system of assistance to traditional ACP suppliers of bananas Amended by 1996/0028(SYN)	Procedure completed
Subject 3.10.06.01 Fruit, citrus fruits 6.30.02 Financial and technical cooperation and assistance 6.40.06 Relations with ACP countries, conventions and generalities	
Geographical area ACP countries	

Key players			
European Parliament	Committee responsible	Rapporteur	Appointed
	DEVE Development and Cooperation	ARE CASTAGNÈDE Bernard	26/07/1994
Council of the European Union	Council configuration	Meeting	Date
	General Affairs	1796	31/10/1994
	Economic and Financial Affairs ECOFIN	1777	11/07/1994
	Justice and Home Affairs (JHA)	1771	20/06/1994

Key events			
11/11/1992	Legislative proposal published	COM(1992)0465	Summary
22/01/1993	Committee referral announced in Parliament		
09/02/1993	Vote in committee		
09/02/1993	Committee report tabled for plenary, 1st reading/single reading	A3-0049/1993	
11/03/1993	Debate in Parliament		Summary
12/03/1993	Decision by Parliament	T3-0185/1993	Summary
20/06/1994	Modified legislative proposal published	COM(1994)0249	Summary
11/07/1994	Council position published	06834/2/1994	Summary
22/07/1994	Committee referral announced in Parliament, 2nd reading		
13/09/1994	Vote in committee, 2nd reading		

13/09/1994	Committee recommendation tabled for plenary, 2nd reading	A4-0005/1994	
27/09/1994	Debate in Parliament		
28/09/1994	Decision by Parliament, 2nd reading	T4-0018/1994	Summary
31/10/1994	Act adopted by Council after consultation of Parliament		
31/10/1994	End of procedure in Parliament		
05/11/1994	Final act published in Official Journal		

Technical information

Procedure reference	1994/0147(SYN)
Procedure type	SYN - Cooperation procedure (historic)
Procedure subtype	Legislation
	Amended by 1996/0028(SYN)
Legal basis	EC before Amsterdam E 130W; Rules of Procedure EP 163
Stage reached in procedure	Procedure completed
Committee dossier	DEVE/3/05672

Documentation gateway

Legislative proposal	COM(1992)0465 OJ C 344 29.12.1992, p. 0009	11/11/1992	EC	Summary
Committee report tabled for plenary, 1st reading/single reading	A3-0049/1993 OJ C 115 26.04.1993, p. 0006	09/02/1993	EP	
Economic and Social Committee: opinion, report	CES0216/1993 OJ C 108 19.04.1993, p. 0039	25/02/1993	ESC	Summary
Text adopted by Parliament, 1st reading/single reading	T3-0185/1993 OJ C 115 26.04.1993, p. 0208-0266	12/03/1993	EP	Summary
Modified legislative proposal	COM(1994)0249 OJ C 206 26.07.1994, p. 0014	20/06/1994	EC	Summary
Council position	06834/2/1994 OJ C 232 20.08.1994, p. 0051	11/07/1994	CSL	Summary
Commission communication on Council's position	SEC(1994)1186	17/07/1994	EC	
Committee recommendation tabled for plenary, 2nd reading	A4-0005/1994 OJ C 305 31.10.1994, p. 0004	13/09/1994	EP	
Text adopted by Parliament, 2nd reading	T4-0018/1994 OJ C 305 31.10.1994, p. 0040-0050	28/09/1994	EP	Summary

Additional information

European Commission	EUR-Lex
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Final act

[Regulation 1994/2686](#)

Special system of assistance to traditional ACP suppliers of bananas

The purpose of this proposal for a regulation was to establish a special system of assistance for banana suppliers from the ACP countries with a view to helping them to adapt to the conditions created by the establishment of a common organisation of the market in bananas and thus to compensate for their loss of income. The assistance was to take the form of technical and financial support and/or of support in the event of fluctuations in export earnings. The technical and financial support was intended to promote the implementation of certain programmes with aims such as improvement of the quality of products and infrastructure, adaptation of production and marketing methods or promotion of training, while the support for fluctuations in export earnings would be subject to the proviso that a loss of earnings in the ACP countries must be directly linked to the conditions imposed by the new common organisation of the market. For each supplier, the support would be calculated on the basis of quantities exported to the Community and the difference between the reference price and the actual price. The commitments made in the framework of financial and technical support would be added to the resources that had already been earmarked under the fourth Lomé Convention, while those intended as compensation for loss of earnings should supplement the funds allocated in the Stabex framework. ?

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Parliament approved the Commission's proposal without any amendments. ?

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This proposal for a regulation, which was formerly based on Article 113 of the Treaty, has been amended by the Commission following the entry into force of the Maastricht Treaty, Article 130w of which is more suited to this proposal, and the outcome of discussions in the Council, which felt that the technical procedures for granting income support should be more detailed. The Commission also stipulates that support should be used to increase the economic viability of production. This regulation will apply retroactively from 1 July 1993 until 28 February 1996. ?

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The Council adopted a common position on this proposal for a regulation which is identical to the Commission's amended proposal with just one amendment: the Council has extended the list of countries which can benefit from this system by adding Madagascar. This common position was adopted by a qualified majority with one vote against by the Belgian, German and Dutch delegations. ?

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The European Parliament approved the Council's common position without amendment. ?

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OBJECTIVE: to establish a special system of assistance to traditional ACP suppliers of bananas in order to help them adjust to the conditions created by the COM in bananas and compensate them for lost earnings. **COMMUNITY MEASURE:** Regulation (EC) No 2686/94 establishing a special system of assistance to traditional ACP suppliers of bananas. **CONTENT:** assistance will take the form of technical and financial support and/or export income support. The purpose of technical and financial support is to implement a number of programmes (e.g. to improve the quality of products and infrastructures, to adapt production and marketing methods, to promote training etc.), while export income support will only be granted where the fall in ACP income is directly linked to the conditions of the new organisation of the market. This support is calculated for each supplier on the basis of quantities exported in the Community and the gap between the reference price and the actual price. The financial commitments given within the framework of financial assistance are in addition to the resources already provided under the fourth Lomé Convention and the commitments given in connection with income support are in addition to the income allocated under STABEX. The countries which will receive assistance are: Belize, Cameroon, Cape Verde, Ivory Coast, Dominique, Grenada, Jamaica, Madagascar,

Saint Lucia, Saint Vincent and the Grenadines, Somalia and Surinam. Entry into force: 5 November 1994. Applicable: retroactively from 1 July 1993. Expiry: 28 February 1996.?