COMMISSION OF THE EUROPEAN COMMUNITIES

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Proposal for a

COUNCIL DECISION

on the extension of the International Agreement on Olive Oil and Table Olives, 1986

(presented by the Commission)

EXPLANATORY MEMORANDUM

- 1. The International Agreement on Olive Oil and Table Olives of 1986 entered into force on 1 July 1986. It has been amended and extended in 1993 until 1998. Its two-year period of extension decided in 1998 is due to expire on 31 December 2000.
- 2. At the meeting of the International Olive Oil Council on 9 June 2000 following Council instruction declared its intention to agree to an extension of the Agreement for a further two-year period until 31 December 2002, under the provisions of Article 7 of the Agreement.
- 3. The European Community's contribution to the administrative budget of the International Olive Oil Council, shown under item B7-8210 of the European Union budget, will not be affected by the proposed decision.
- 4. The purpose of this proposal is to authorise the Commission to vote in favour of the extension of the Agreement on behalf of the Community.

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THE COUNCIL OF THE EUROPEAN UNION,

Having regard to the Treaty establishing the European Community, and in particular Article 133 in conjunction with Article 300, especially the first subparagraph of Article 300 thereof,

Having regard to the proposal from the Commission¹,

Whereas:

The International Agreement on Olive Oil and Table Olives, 1986, has been concluded by the Community by Council Decision 87/401/EEC², and amended and extended in 1993 by Council Decision 93/622/EC³ until 1998. It has been extended thereafter for an additional period of two years it remains in force until 31 December 2000 unless it is extended beyond that date by decision of the International Olive Oil Council for a period of no more than two years. The extension of that agreement is in the interest of the Community. The Commission which represents the Community in the International Olive Oil Council should therefore be authorised to vote in favour of such extension,

HAS DECIDED AS FOLLOWS:

Sole Article

- 1. The European Community is hereby in favour of the extension of the International Agreement on Olive Oil and Table Olives for a further two-year period.
- 2. The Commission is hereby authorised to express this position within the International Olive Oil Council.

Done at Brussels.

For the Council The President

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² OJ L 214, 4.8.1987, p. 1.

³ OJ L 298, 3.12.1993, p. 36.

FINANCIAL STATEMENT

1. TITLE OF OPERATION

Proposal for a Council Decision on the extension of the International Agreement on Olive Oil and Table Olives, 1986.

2. BUDGET HEADING(S) INVOLVED

B7-8210 APPROPRIATIONS: EUR 4.752 million (2000)

3. LEGAL BASIS

Article 133 of the Treaty

4. **DESCRIPTION OF OPERATION**

Authorise the Commission to vote in favour of a two-year extension of the said Agreement.

4.1 General objective

Maintain active Community membership in the International Olive Oil Council.

4.2 Period covered and arrangements for renewal

2000 to 2002

The administrative budget of the International Olive Oil Council is agreed by the Council of the International Agreement on Olive Oil and Table Olives, which consists of all members of the Agreement. The European Community is represented in the Council of the Agreement by the Commission. Each member pays a contribution to the IOOC which is directly proportionate to its voting rights, the calculation of which is determined by the Agreement. The Commission is responsible for the payment of the EC contribution.

5. CLASSIFICATION OF EXPENDITURE OR REVENUE

5.1 Compulsory/Non-compulsory expenditure

Compulsory

5.2 Differentiated/Non-differentiated appropriations

Differentiated

5.3 Type of revenue involved

None

6. Type of expenditure or revenue

- 100% subsidy: **yes**

- Subsidy for joint financing with other sources in the public and/or private sector:
 no
- Interest subsidy: no
- Other: Contribution to the International Agreement on Olive Oil and Table Olives, 1986 of which the EC is a signatory
- Should the operation prove an economic success, is there provision for all or part of the Community contribution to be reimbursed?
- Will the proposed operation cause any change in the level of revenue? If so, what sort of change and what type of revenue is involved? No

7. FINANCIAL IMPACT

7.1 Method of calculating total cost of operation (relation between individual and total costs)

Contribution adjusted to cover anticipated increases in the administrative budget of the International Olive Oil Council

7.2 Itemised breakdown of cost

Commitment appropriations EUR million (at current prices)

Breakdown	year n 2000	n+1 2001	n+2 2002	n+3	n+4	n+5 and subs. years	
	3.680	3.853	3.853				
Total	3.680	3.853	3.853				

7.3 Schedule of commitment and payment appropriations

EUR million

	year n 2000	n+1 2001	n+2 2002	n+3	n+4	n+5 and subs. years	Total
Commitment appropriations	3.680	3.853	3.853				
Payment appropriations							
Year n 2000 n+1 2001 n+2 2002 n+3 n+4 n+5 and subs. years	3.680	3.853	3.853				
Total	3.680	3.853	3.853				

8. FRAUD PREVENTION MEASURES

- Specific control measures not envisaged.