

**SUMMARY REPORT**  
**of the 89th meeting of the**  
**Management Committee for Direct Payments**  
**18 March 2009**

Chairman: Mr Herman Versteijlen

All delegations were present, but Finland, Latvia, Lithuania and Romania had to leave the meeting before the Committee delivered its opinion.

For the delivering of the opinion of the Committee, Finland was represented by Sweden, Latvia was represented by Cyprus and Romania was represented by Italy. Lithuania was not represented.

1. **POSEI, Spain:** Exchange of views and vote on a draft Decision authorising modifications to the overall programme- **DS/2009/8**

The point was withdrawn from the agenda.

2. **Smaller Aegean Islands:** Exchange of views and vote on a draft Decision authorising modifications to the overall programme- **DS/2009/9**

The Commission services presented the draft Decision.

*The Committee delivered a favourable opinion: 338 votes in favour.*

3. **POSEI:** Exchange of views and vote on a draft Regulation modifying Regulation (EC) n° 793/2006- **DS/2009/10**

The Commission services presented the draft Regulation.

*The Committee delivered a favourable opinion: 270 votes in favour, 12 against, 56 abstentions.*

4. **Smaller Aegean Islands:** Exchange of views and vote on a draft Regulation modifying Regulation (EC) n° 1914/2006- **DS/2009/11**

The Commission services presented the draft Regulation.

*The Committee delivered a favourable opinion: 338 votes in favour.*

5. **Health Check implementation, Single Payment Scheme:** Exchange of views and vote on a draft Regulation amending Regulation (EC) No 795/2004 for the implementation of the results of the Health Check with regard to the Single Payment Scheme and the integration of wine in the SPS - **DS/2009/1-rev 2**

The Commission presented the modifications introduced in the draft Regulation being circulated (DS/2009/1/rev 3) in comparison to the working document discussed during the last meeting. The exchange of views with the delegations focused on the issue of land eligibility in relation to the criteria "used predominantly for agricultural activities".

Some modifications were agreed:

- Article 1(6): "Unused entitlements shall ~~revert~~ **be deemed to have reverted** to the national reserve ...."

- Annex: All references to Greece and Portugal are deleted, the exact spelling for Spain areas is to be checked

*The Committee delivered a favourable opinion: 338 votes in favour.*

6. **Health Check implementation, other direct payments:** Exchange of views and vote on a draft Regulation amending Regulation (EC) No 1973/2004 for the implementation of the results of the Health Check with regard to direct payments other than the Single Payment Scheme- **DS/2009/3-rev 2**

The Commission presented the adjustments introduced in the draft Regulation in comparison to the working document discussed during the last meeting. The exchange of views with the delegations focused on the harmonisation of the rules for reductions between the SAPS and the other area payments.

*The Committee delivered a favourable opinion: 280 votes in favour, 47 against, 11 abstentions.*

7. **Health Check implementation, IACS:** Exchange of views and vote on a draft Regulation amending Regulation (EC) No 796/2004 for the implementation of the results of the Health Check with regard to the IACS - **DS/2009/2-rev 2**

The Commission presented the adjustments introduced in the draft Regulation in comparison to the working document discussed during the last meeting. The exchange of views with the delegations focused on the harmonisation of the rules for reductions between the SAPS and the other area payments, and on the sequence for the calculation of modulation amounts.

*The Committee delivered a favourable opinion: 270 votes in favour, 27 against, 41 abstentions.*

8. **Aid for sugarbeet producers in Spain:** Exchange of views and vote on a draft Decision modifying the Commission Decision authorising Spain to extend the period of payment of the Community aid for sugarbeet produces – **DS/2009/12**

The Commission services presented the draft Decision.

*The Committee delivered a favourable opinion: 338 votes in favour.*

9. **Tobacco quality requirements in France:** Exchange of views and vote on a draft Decision derogating to some quality requirements for payments in respect of the year 2008 in France– **DS/2009/13**

The Commission services presented the draft Decision.

*The Committee delivered a favourable opinion: 338 votes in favour.*

10. **Notifications to the Commission:** Presentation and exchange of views on a working document on horizontal rules to be applied for the management of notifications to the Commission provided for notably within the framework of Regulations (EC) n° 72/2009 and 73/2009– **DS/2009/14**

The Commission services presented the working document.

11. **Other business.**

The Commission services confirmed that Article 71 b (1) of R. 796/2004 allows Member States to apply the modulation reductions to the different payments to farmers for the support schemes listed in Annex I to Regulation (EC) No 73/2009s as gradual procedure during the paying period provided for in Article 29 (2) of that Regulation as long as for each individual farmer the final modulation reduction is equal to the result of the application of Article 7 (and 10) to the sum of direct payment from the different support.

**Next DPMC meetings are scheduled on 23 April, 13 May and 17 June 2009.**

Mr Herman Versteijlen  
Director



MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE FOR DIRECT PAYMENTS

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DE	BMELV – MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE OF SAXONY – BMELV – REF.616	3
EE	MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE – AGRICULTURAL REGISTERS AND INFORMATION BOARD	2
IE	DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE, FISHERIES AND FOOD - IDEM	2
EL	MIN. OF RURAL DEVELOPMENT	1
ES	PAIS VASCO – FEAGA – DGRAG-MARM – CANARIAS - MAPA	5
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CY	DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE	1
LT		ABSENT
LV	MOA	1
LU	SERVICE D'ECONOMIE RURALE (MINISTÈRE DE L'AGRICULTURE)	1
HU	MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE AND RURAL DEVELOPMENT, BUDAPEST – MARD, BUDAPEST - ARDA, BUDAPEST.	3
MT	PAYING AGENCY MRAE	1

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AT	<b>BMLFUW – IDEM - AMA</b>	3
PL	<b>MARD WARSAW – MARD WARSAW</b>	2
PT	<b>INGA – MINISTERIO AGRICULTURA-GPPAA - IDEM</b>	3
RO	<b>DEPARTMENT FOR EU AFFAIRES</b>	1
SI	<b>MAFF – AGENCY FOR AGRI, MARKETS AND RURAL DEVELOPMENT</b>	2
SK	<b>PERM. REP. OF THE SK</b>	1
FI	<b>MAF - MAVI (FINNISH PAYING AGENCY)</b>	2
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