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THE COMMISSION OF THE EUROPEAN COMMUNITIES,

Having regard to the Treaty establishing the European Economic Community,

Having regard to Council Regulation (EEC) No 3013/89 of 25 September 1989 on the common organization of the market in sheepmeat and goatmeat (¹), as last amended by Regulation (EEC) No 1741/91 (²), and in particular Article 5 (9) thereof.

Having regard to Council Regulation (EEC) No 3493/90 of 27 November 1990 laying down general rules for the grant of premiums to sheepmeat and goatmeat producers (3), and in particular Articles 1 and 2 (4),

Whereas Regulation (EEC) No 3493/90 establishes, in particular, the definitions of sheepmeat and/or goatmeat producer and producer group; whereas, furthermore, that Regulation lays down that the Commission, acting in accordance with the procedure laid down in Article 30 of Regulation (EEC) No 3013/89, is to lay down detailed rules for the application of those definitions and in particular special cases arising from contractual forms provided for in agricultural law or covered by national customs and practices under which the farmer, while assuming the risks and/or organization of the rearing, is not the owner of all or part of the flock, and detailed rules for the application of the limits provided for in Article 5 (7) of Regulation (EEC) No 3013/89 concerning producer groups;

Whereas, as regards the abovementioned contractual forms, provisions should be laid down in particular to cover cases of shared ownership, livestock lease and placing of ewes in agistment and certain situations where the shepherd of a flock is also owner of part of the latter; whereas, however, as regards livestock leases, special provisions must be laid down in the United Kingdom for the National Trust where it is the lessor in the Lake District area, since the said lessor imposes particularly strict conditions on lessees in order to ensure that the environment is protected;

Whereas the limits provided for in Article 5 (7) of Regulation (EEC) No 3013/89 may, in the case of producer groups, be applied correctly using a single premium declaration signed by all the members and by means of certain provisions on penalties intended to ensure that the group assumes liability for declarations submitted;

⁽¹⁾ OJ No L 289, 7. 10. 1989, p. 1.

⁽²⁾ OJ No L 163, 26. 6. 1991, p. 41.

^{(&}lt;sup>3</sup>) OJ No L 337, 4. 12. 1990, p. 7.

Whereas, for the purposes of applying the abovementioned limits, rules should also be laid down for apportioning live-stock in the case of groups where the animals belonging to each member cannot be identified; whereas the formula for apportionment applicable, in the case of disbanding, to the group's assets is suitable for the purpose;

Whereas, in order to prevent the limits in question from being circumvented, the concept of group should exclude any form of association featuring a lack of independence of or real participation by the members;

Whereas Regulation (EEC) No 3493/90 lays down the conditions under which farmers practising transhumance are to be considered producers in less-favoured areas; whereas that Regulation lays down in particular that, to that end, on farmers whose holdings are located in geographical areas to be determined according to certain criteria and in accordance with the procedure provided for in Article 30 of Regulation (EEC) No 3013/89 are to be taken into account; whereas those criteria lead to the determination of the areas given in the Annex hereto;

Whereas the Management Committee for Sheep and Goats has not delivered an opinion within the time limit set by its chairman,

HAS ADOPTED THIS REGULATION:

Article 1

1. Save as otherwise provided for in paragraph 4, in cases other than those referred to in Article 2 (1) where ownership of a flock of sheep and/or goats on the same farm is shared between two or more natural or legal persons, the producer within the meaning of point 1 of Article 1 (1) of Regulation (EEC) No 3439/90 shall be deemed to be the person who has the greatest share of the sale of products from the flock in question.

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2. Where the owner of a flock of sheep and/or goats places the flock in agistment, the farmer in question shall remain the producer within the meaning of point 1 of Article 1 (1) of Regulation (EEC) No 3493/90. He shall identify the agister's holding in his premium application.

3. Where a flock of ewes and/or she-goats is held, in part or in whole, under a livestock lease and the lessee receives the product of the sale of the livestock products, the lessee shall be deemed to be the producer, with regard to the part in question, within the meaning of point 1 of Article 1 (1) of Regulation (EEC) No 3493/90.

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4. Where the shepherd of a flock of sheep and/or goats is an employee of a producer within the meaning of point 1 of Article 1 (1) of Regulation (EEC) No 3493/90 and at the same time is himself a producer within the meaning of the same Article with regard to a part of the flock, the shepherd shall be jointly and severally liable with the other producer where the penalties provided for in Commission Regulation (EEC) No 3887/92 (4) are applied in the event of the two parts of the flock not being identified separately.

The premium application submitted by each producer must specify the employer-employee relationship and identify the other producer.

Article 2

1. Where a premium application is submitted by a producer group within the meaning of point 2 of Article 1 (1) of Regulation (EEC) No 3493/90, the producer group must submit a single premium application, which must be signed by all the producers within the meaning of point 1 of the said Article; such producers shall remain subject to the obligations imposed by Regulation (EEC) No 3007/84. The premium shall be paid directly to the group.

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⁽⁴⁾ OJ No L 391, 31. 12. 1992, p. 36.

The rules on penalties referred to in Article 10 of Regulation (EEC) No 3887/92 shall apply to the group as such. However, the penalty provided for in that Article in the event of a false declaration intentionally made shall apply to those members who, while remaining producers in the following year, no longer form part of the group.

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2. Premium applications must state the number of animals brought to the group by each producer.

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However, where the nature of the group is such that ownership of individual animals cannot be assigned to each producer, the articles of association or the rules of procedure of the group must necessarily give a formula for apportioning the sheep and/or goat flock between the various producers concerned within the meaning of point 1 of the first paragraph of Article 1 of Regulation (EEC) No 3493/90.

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That formula must correspond to the way the group's assets would be apportioned between the producer between the producer (SIC!) members were the group to be disbanded and shall be notified to the competent authority. This formula shall remain unaltered in subsequent marketing years unless the structure of the group which has been notified to the authority comptent for granting the premium undergoes a substantial change; such a change shall be the result of:

- new members joining or old members leaving, or
- a change of 10 % or more in the apportionment of the members' assets as a whole.

Annual premium applications must specify the number of ewes attributed to each producer on the basis of the said formula.

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Article 3

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- 1. The geographical areas referred to in the second indent of Article 2 (3) of Regulation (EEC) No 3493/90 shall be as set out in the Annex hereto.
- 2. Premium applications submitted by producers the registered addresses of whose farms are in one of the areas referred to in paragraph 1 and who wish to qualify under the provisions of Article 2 (3) of Regulation (EEC) No 3493/90 must indicate:
- the place or places where transhumance is to be carried out for the current marketing year,

 the period of at least 90 days referred to in the said paragraph and laid down for the current marketing year. 2385/91

Notwithstanding Article 1 of Regulation (EEC) No 2700/93, documents containing information and the documents referred to in paragraph 3 relating to applications for the 1995 marketing year shall be submitted by farmers in Austria by 30 November 1995.

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3. Premium applications from producers as referred to in paragraph 2 must be accompanied by documents certifying that transhumance has actually been carried out, except in cases of *force majeure* or duly justified natural circumstances, during two previous marketing years and in particular by an attestation from the local or regional authority at the place of transhumance certifying that the latter has actually taken place during at least 90 consecutive days.

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For the 1995 and 1996 marketing years, however, in the case of Austria, the attestation that transhumance took place during the previous two marketing years may be replaced by documents attesting that transhumance took place during the 1995 marketing year.

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Member States shall inform the Commission of the steps taken with regard to the designation or approval of the local authority competent to issue the attestations referred to in the first subparagraph.

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The attestations must state:

- the place of transhumance,
- the dates of the transhumant animals' 'arrival and departure.
- 4. In order to facilitate checks, the authority receiving the premium applications shall notify the authority responsible for verification of the place of transhumance.

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5. The Member States shall monitor the application of the provisions of this Article in accordance with the detailed rules laid down in Article 5 of Regulation (EEC) No 3007/84. In addition, when carrying out administrative checks on applications, they shall ensure that the place of transhumance specified in the premium application is actually within one of the areas defined in Article 3 (3), (4) and (5) of Council Directive 75/268/EEC (1).

⁽¹⁾ OJ No L 128, 19. 5. 1975, p. 1.

6. Member States shall notify the Commission of the premium applications as referred to in paragraph 2, received for the current marketing year, broken down according to the list of regions referred to in Article 3 (4) of Regulation (EEC) No 3007/84 at the same time as the communication required in that Article.

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Article 4

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Article 5

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This Regulation shall enter into force on the third day following its publication in the *Official Journal of the European Communities*.

ANNEX | 2385/91

LIST OF GEOGRAPHICAL AREAS REFERRED TO IN THE SECOND INDENT OF ARTICLE 3 OF REGULATION (EEC) No 3493/90

I. SPAIN

Comunidad autónoma	Provincia	Comarcas	
Andalucía	Almería	Nº 7: Campos Dalias	
		Nº 8: Campos Níjar y Bajo Andárax	
	Cádiz	_	
	Córdoba	Nº 3: Campiña Baja	
	Jaén	Nº 6: Campiña Sur	
	Granada	Nº 1: De la Vega	
	Huelva	Nº 3 Andevalo Oriental	
	Málaga	Nº 1: Nortes o Antequera	
		Nº 3: Centro o Guadalarce	
	Sevilla	Nº 2: La Vega	
		Nº 5: La Campina	
Aragón	Huesca	Nº 4: Hoya de Huesca	
		Nº 6: Los Monegros	
		Nº 7: La Litera	
		Nº 8: Bajo Cinca	
	Teruel	_	
	Zaragoza	Nº 1: Egea de los Caballeros	
		Nº 2: Borja	
		Nº 5: Zaragoza	
Asturias	Asturias	_	
Baleares	Baleares	-	
Cantabria	Cantabria	_	
Castilla y León	Ávila	_	
	Burgos	_	
	León	Nº 6: Tierras de León	
	Palencia	No 2: Campos	
	Salamanca	Nº 3: Salamanca	
	Segovia	_	
	Soria	_	
	Valladolid	Nº 2: Centro	
	Zamora	Nº 4: Campos-Pan	
Castilla-La Mancha	Albacete	Nº 4: Centro	
	Ciudad Real	Nº 2: Campos de Calatrava	
		No 5: Pastos	
	Cuenca	_	
	Guadalajara	_	
	Toledo	Nº 1: Talavera	
Cataluña	Barcelona	Nº 6: Anoia	
		Nº 7: Bages	
		Nº 11: Baix Llobregat	

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Comunidad autónoma	Provincia	Comarcas	2385/91
		Nº 17: Garraf	I 2564/92
		Nº 21: Maresme	
		Nº 24: Osona	
		Nº 40: Vallès Occidental	
		Nº 41: Vallès Oriental	
	Girona	Nº 2: Alt Empordà	
		Nº 10: Baix Empordà	
		Nº 34: La Selva	
	Lleida	Nº 23: Noguera	
		Nº 27: Pla d'Urgell	
		Nº 33: Segrià	
		Nº 38: Urgell	
	Tarragona	No 1: Alt Camp	
		Nº 9: Baix Ebre	
		Nº 12: Baix Penedès	
		Nº 29: Priorat	
		Nº 36: Tarragonès	! :
Extremadura	Badajoz	Nº 3: Don Benito	2385/91
		Nº 6: Badajoz	
	Cáceres	_	
Galicia		_	
Madrid	Madrid	_	
Murcia	Murcia	Nº 4: Río Segura	
		Nº 5: Suroeste y Valle de Guadalentín	
Navarra	Navarra	Nº 5: La Ribera	
La Rioja	La Rioja	_	
Valenciana	Alicante	_	2564/92
	Castellón	Comarca Nº 2 — Bajo Maestrazgo	
	Valencia	Comarca Nº 3 — Campos de Liria	
		Comarca Nº 6 - Sagunto	
		Comarca Nº 8 — Riberas del Júcar	
País Vasco		_	2385/91

II. FRANCE

Provence-Alps-Côte d'Azur

 $The \ non-less-favoured \ areas \ in \ the \ departments \ of \ Alpes-de-Haute-Provence, \ Alpes \ Maritimes, \ Var \ and \ Vaucluse, \ and \ the \ whole \ of \ the \ department \ of \ Bouches-du-Rhône.$

Rhône-Alps

 $The \ non-less-favoured \ areas \ in \ the \ departments \ of \ Ain, \ Ard\`{e}che, \ Dr\^{o}me, \ Is\`{e}re, \ Loire, \ Rh\^{o}ne, \ Savoie \ and \ Haute-Savoie.$

Midi-Pyrénées

The non-less-favoured areas in the departments of Haute-Garonne, Hautes-Pyrénées and Tarn-et-Garonne.

Aquitaine

The non-less-favoured areas in the department of Pyrénées-Atlantiques.

Alsace | 2385/91

The non-less-favoured areas in the departments of Bas-Rhin and Haut-Rhin.

Lorraine

The non-less-favoured areas in the departments of Meurthe-et-Moselle, Moselle and the whole of the department of Meuse.

Auvergne

The non-less-favoured areas in the departments of Allier and Puy-de-Dôme.

Languedoc-Roussillon

The non-less-favoured areas in the departments of Aude, Gard, Hérault and Eastern Pyrénées.

III. GREECE

Lowland areas from which animals are (by tradition) moved every year to mountain, hill and less-favoured areas, as specified in Articles 3 (3), 4 and 5 of Directive 75/268/EEC.

Νομός	Επαρχία
1. Νομός Λακωνίας	Λακεδαίμονος, Επιδαύρου, Λιμήρας
2 Νομός Ιωαννίνων	Ιωαννίνων
3. Νομός Φωκίδος	Παρνασσίδος, Δωρίδος
4. Νομός Ποέβεζας	Νιχοπόλεως
5. Νομός Κιλκίς	Κιλχίς
6. Νομός Αττικής	Μεγαρίδος, Αττικής, Πειραιώς
7. Νομός Αχαΐας	Πατρών, Αιγιαλείας
8. Νομός Αργολίδας	Άργους, Ναυπλίου
9. Νομός Βοιωτίας	Λιβαδειάς, Θήβας
10. Νομός Αρκαδίας	Κοινουρίας, Μαντινείας
11. Νομός Ημαθίας	Νάουσας, Βέροιας
12. Νομός Ηλείας	Ηλείας, Ολυμπίας
13. Νομός Μαγνησίας	Βόλου, Αλμυφού
14. Νομός Κορινθίας	Κορινθίας
15. Νομός Ροδόπης	Κομοτινής
16. Νομός Πέλλας	Έδεσσας, Αλμωπίας, Γιαννιτσών
17. Νομός Φθιώτιδας	Φθιώτιδος, Δομοκού, Λοκρίδος
18. Νομός Χανίων	Κυδωνίας, Κισάμου, Αποκορώνου
19. Νομός Ευβοίας	Χαλκίδας, Καριστίας, Ιστιαίας
20. Νομός Αιτωλοαχαονανίας	Μεσολογγίου, Τοιχωνίδας, Βάλτου, Ξηφομέφου, Ναυπάκτου
21. Νομός Μεσσηνίας	Τοιφυλίας, Μεσσήνης, Πυλίας
22. Νομός Τοικάλων	Τοικάλων
23. Νομός Ρεθύμνης	Ρεθύμνης
24. Νομός Πιερίας	Πιερίας
25. Νομός Δοάμας	Δράμας
26. Νομός Άφτας	Άρτας
27. Νομός Θεσσαλονίκης	Θεσσαλονίκης, Λαγκαδά
28. Νομός Θεσπρωτίας	Θιάμιδος
29. Νομός Καρδίτσας	Καρδίτσας, Σοφάδων, Παλαμά, Μουζακίου
30. Νομός Καβάλας	Καβάλας, Παγγαίου
31Νομός Λάρισας	Λάρισας, Φαρσάλων, Αγιάς, Ελασσώνας, Τυρνάβου

IV. GERMANY | 3676/91

Baden-Württemberg (in the following urban and rural districts):

Stuttgart (town)Neckar-Odenwald-KreisBöblingenPforzheim (town)EsslingenEnzkreisGöppingenCalw

Ludwigsburg Freudenstadt

Rems-Murr-Kreis Freiburg im Breisgau (town) Heilbronn (town) Breisgau Hochschwarzwald

Heilbronn Emmendingen Hohenlohekreis Ortenaukreis Schwäbisch Hall Konstanz Main-Tauber-Kreis Lörrach Waldshut Heidenheim Ostalbkreis Reutlingen Baden-Baden (town) Tübingen Rastatt Zollernalbkreis Karlsruhe (town) Ulm (town) Karlsruhe Alb-Donau-Kreis Heidelberg (town) Biberach Mannheim (town) Bodenseekreis Sigmaringen Ravensburg

Rhein-Neckar-Kreis

Bavaria (in the following urban and rural districts):

Alchach-Friedberg Lindau (west)
Altötting Main-Spessart (south)
Ansbach (zone north-west) Miesbach (zone north)

Aschaffenburg Miltenberg
Augsburg Mühldorf
Bad Tölz-Wolfratshausen (zone north) Munich

Berchtesgadener Land (zone north)

Neuburg-Schrobenhausen

Dachau Neustadt/Aisch — Bad Windsheim (west)

Deggendorf Neu Ulm

DilligenNürnberger Land (west)Dingolfing-LandauOstallgäu (zone north)Donau-RiesPassau (zone south-west)

Ebersberg Pfaffenhofen
Eichstätt (south) Regensburg

Erding Rosenheim (zone north)

Erlangen (south) Rottal-Inn
Freising Starnberg
Fürstenfeldbruck Straubing-Bogen
Fürth Schweinfurt

Günzburg Traunstein (zone north)

Kelheim Unterallgäu Kitzingen Würzburg

Landsberg/Lech
Landshut

Brandenburg (in the following urban and rural districts):

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Prignitz Oder-Spree Uckermark Oberhavel Märkisch-Oderland Ostprignitz Elbe-Elster Spree-Neiße

Dahme-Spreewald Potsdam-Mittelmark Teltow-Fläming Oberspreewald-Lausitz

Hesse (in the following urban and rural districts):

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Wetteraukreis Fulda Gießen Kassel

Marburg-Biedenkopf Limburg-Weilburg

Lower Saxony (in the following urban and rural districts):

Gifhorn Hamelin Göttingen Nienburg Peine Schaumburg Hanover Uelzen Hildesheim Verden Holzminden Lüneburg

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Mecklenburg-Western Pomerania (in the following urban and rural districts):

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Bad Doberan Demmin Güstrow Ludwigslust

Mecklenburg-Strelitz Nordvorpommern Nordwestmecklenburg Ostvorpommern Parchim

Uecker-Randow

Rhineland-Palatinate (in the following rural districts and towns):

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Koblenz Ludwigshafen (town and rural district)

Ahrweiler Mainz

Bad Kreuznach Neustadt a.d.W.

Cochem-Zell Speyer Mayen-Koblenz Worms Neuwied Zweibrücken Rhein-Lahn-Kreis Alzey-Worms Trier Bad-Dürkheim Bernkastel-Wittlich Germersheim Trier-Saarburg Südliche Weinstraße Frankenthal Mainz-Bingen Kaiserslautern (town and rural district) Pirmasens Landau i.d. Pfalz Donnersbergkreis

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Saxony (in the following urban and rural districts):

Torgau-Oschatz

Delitzsch

Muldentalkreis

Riesa-Großenhain

Meißen-Radebeul

Sächsische Schweiz

Bautzen

Löbau-Zittau

Niederschlesischer Oberlausitzkreis

Freiberg

Chemnitzer Land

Zwickauer Land

Kamenz

Saxony-Anhalt (in the following urban and rural districts):

Anhalt-Zerbst

Sangerhausen

Weißenfels

Ohrekreis

Jerichower Land

Halberstadt

Stendal

Salzwedel

Thuringia (in the following urban and rural districts):

Nordhausen

Kyffhäuser Kreis

Unstrut-Hainich-Kreis

Sömmerda

Wartburg Kreis

Gotha

Weimar-Land

Ilm-Kreis

Holzlandkreis

Altenburg

Erfurt Weimar

V. ITALY

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Non-less-favoured areas of the regions

Tuscany Abbruzzo (SIC! Abruzzo)

UmbriaMoliseMarcheCampaniaSicilyBasilicataSardiniaPugliaLazioCalabria

Non-less-favoured areas of the provinces

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CuneoPaviaVercelliParmaBergamoReggio EmiliaBresciaModenaTrevisoBologna
Forlì

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Non-less-favoured areas in Gemeinde or parts of Gemeinde in the following Bezirke:

Bundesland Vorarlberg:

Feldkirch Dornbirn Bregenz

Bundesland Kärnten:

Klagenfurt Klagenfurt-Land Wolfsberg

Bundesland Salzburg:

Salzburg

Salzburg-Umgebung

Bundesland Steiermark:

Graz

Graz-Umgebung

Leibnitz

Radkersburg

Weiz

Feldbach

Fürstenfeld

Hartberg

Bundesland Oberösterreich:

Braunau am Inn

Ried im Innkreis

Schärding

Vöcklabruck

Gieskirchen

Eferding

Wels-Land

Gmunden

Urfahr-Umgebung

Kirchdorf an der Krems

Steyr-Land

Linz und Perg

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Amstetten

Melk

Scheibbs

St. Pölten-Land

Wien-Umgebung

Krems an der Donau

Krems-Land

Horn

Mödling

Baden

Neunkirchen

Wiener Neustadt-Land

Bundesland Burgenland:

Neusiedl am See

Eisenstadt-Land

Mattersburg

Oberpullendorf

Oberwart

Güssing