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NOTIFICATION

The attached notification in the context of actions taken within the framework of the Decision on Measures Concerning the Possible Negative Effects of the Reform programme on Least-Developed and Net-Food Importing Developing Countries for the calendar years **1996** and **1997 (Table NF:1)** was received from the delegation of **the European Communities** on 10 November 1999.

In accordance with notification requirements within the framework of the Decision on Measures Concerning the Possible Negative Effects of the Reform Programme on Least-Developed and Net Food-Importing Countries (**Table NF:1**), the following provides details of the European Communities' programmes in respect of the Decision.

Table NF:1

**Notification under Article 16:2 of the Agreement:
Monitoring of the Follow-Up to the Decision on
Measures Concerning the Possible Negative Effects of
the Reform Programme on Least Developed and Net
Food-Importing Developing Countries: European Communities**

REPORTING PERIOD: calendar years 1996 and 1997

(1) Quantity of food aid provided to least-developed and net food-importing developing countries:

In 1996 payments for food aid and food security operations reached a level of 413 million ECU of which 273 million ECU were spent on food and financial allocations, and 140 million ECU on logistics and other support measures. In 1997 payments for food aid and support operations arrived at 409.5 million ECU, 285.5 million ECU for food aid and financial allocations and 124 million ECU for transport, distribution and other support measures. Concerning food aid provided by the European Communities, please refer to the annex.

(2) Indication of the proportion in fully grant form or appropriate concessional terms:

The food aid is provided on fully grant terms

(3) Technical and financial assistance under paragraph 3 (iii) of the Decision:

The ACP countries

The co-operation which the EU extends to the ACP countries in the field of agriculture and rural development has been, and is still carried out in the context of the Lomé Convention. The broad objective is to raise ACP countries economic level and reduce poverty. The main objectives are not only to intensify resource use while taking into consideration their renewal in order to raise farmers' productive capacity and income but also to organise production and marketing more efficiently.

With the attempt to improve and to adapt continuously its contribution to development, the EU has diversified its instruments and methods of intervention. This co-operation has therefore evolved significantly in the last few years. Focus has been transferred from the traditional-type intervention in specific areas to centralised action at the macro-economic level.

EU agricultural and rural co-operation in ACP countries is thus carried out through a combination of a large number of activities:

- Programmable aids-rural development projects;
- Structural Adjustment Facilities (SAF) including the General Import Programmes (GIP) and Sectoral Import Programmes (SIP);
- Non-programmable aids-Food Aid;

- Stabilisation of Export Earnings from the Agricultural Commodities system (STABEX);
- Projects financed via NGO's;
- Regional co-operation.

The latest orientations of this co-operation attaches more importance to instruments offering greater and direct links with sustainable agricultural policies, as compared with isolated forms of intervention like projects.

The bulk of EU aid to ACP countries is carried out within the context of the European Development Fund (EDF). Payments out of the EDF for agriculture amounted in 1996 to 180 million ECU and in 1997 to 156 million ECU.

Development projects with other countries

The European Communities have a number of pluriannual development projects concerning the agricultural sector. In the calendar year 1996 and/or 1997 the following projects financed by the European Union were executed :

Country	Projects	Expenditures (*) (Mio ECU)
Bangladesh	Agricultural Project (CARE NOPEST) (1995-2000)	6.0
	National Minor Irrigation Development Project (NMIDP) (1991-2000)	17.6
	South Asia Rinderpest Eradication Campaign Support Project	7.7
	Improvement of Local food Grain Storage (1990-1998)	15.0
	Rehabilitation of Food Grain Storage (1994-1998)	2.9
	Agro-Forestry and Block Plantation-Brack (1997-1999)	1.5
	Forestry and Poverty Alleviation Programme-Proshika (1997-1999)	1.7
	Food and Locally Intensified Farming Enterprises-Care (1997-2001)	1.7
	Promotion of Household-Food Security (1997-2000)	1.5
	River Survey Project ((1991-1998)	12.6
	Jamuna/Dhaleshwari Left Bank Studies ((1995-1998)	4.0
	Coastal Embankment Rehabilitation Project (1996-2004)	15.0
	Rehabilitation Projects (SRP) (1990-1999)	14.4
	Rangpur Region Rural Development Project (RRRDP) ((1987-1999)	32.7
	Proshika : Poverty Alleviation Phase IV (1995-1999)	30.0
	BRAC Development (51997-2003)	33.0
Buthan	Cultivation of Medical Plants for Traditional Medicine (1993-2000)	4.1
	Integrated Pest Management Project (1993-1999)	2.6
	Strengthening of Veterinary Services for Livestock	5.0
	Disease Control (1992-1999)	

	Renewable Natural Resources- Extension Support Project (1997-2003)	6.2
	Wang Watershed Management Project (1997-2005)	9.2
Cambodia	Rehabilitation and Support Programme for the Agricultural Sector (1994-1998)	36.8
Egypt	Kafr El Sheik Soil Improvement	8.0
	Agricultural Sector Development Programme (1995-2000)	75.0
	Veterinary Support Programme (1995-2000)	20.0
	Bustan Agricultural Development Project	15.0
	Potato Brown Rot Disease	0.6
	Bardawil Lagoon Development Project	3.0
	Nile Valley Regional Programme	5.0
Honduras	Programme to Support Small and Medium Sized farms in the Olancho Area (1996-2000)	9.86
	Programme for Agricultural Development and Land Conservation (1998-2004)	6.9
Laos	Irrigation Project (1991-1996)	1.0
	Micro projects in Luang Prahang (1996-2002)	12.8
	Rural Development in the Province of Luang Namtha (1994-1999)	8.0
	Strengthening of Livestock Services (1997-2002)	5.7
	Phong Sali Forest Conservation and Rural Development (1998-2003)	9.5
Morocco	Programme for Integrated Rural Development	28.4
Nepal	Programme on Land use and Management (1995-1997)	5.4
	Programme for Strengthening of Veterinary Services For Livestock Disease Control (1996-2001)	8.7
	Rural Development Programme in Gulmi and Arghankhanchi (1996-2001)	14.7
	Bagmati Integrated Watershed Management (1997-2001)	12.2
	Irrigation Development in Mid-Western Regions (1997-2003)	8.1
Peru	Rural Micro-Projects	21.4
	Rural Development Project in the Region Renom-Inka	10.0
	Rural Development Project (Majes II)	11.0
	Project for Women in the Rural Areas	5.0
	Poverty Alleviation in Rural Areas of the Chavin	16.0
	Management of a Credit Fund in the Area of Tumbes	0.9
	Project for Integrated Rural Development in the Region of Libertad-Cajamarca	8.5
Sri Lanka	National Irrigation Rehabilitation Programme	3.3
	Moneragala Irrigation and Community Development	5.7
	Mahalawi Consolidation Project (Irrigation)	10.4
	Dry Zone Agricultural Development	5.1

Tunisia	Programme for Integrated rural Development and Management of Natural Resources	50.0
Yemen	Fisheries Development Project (1993-1998)	13.0

* or committed total EC contributions

(4) Other relevant information with respect to actions taken within the framework of the Decision :

None.

Annex 1

Food Aid Provided by the European Communities*

Country	Product	Quantity (tonnes)
Afghanistan	Wheat	45,078
	Beans	1,448
	Wheat Flour	18,367
	Rice	2,386
Angola	Broken Rice	7,500
	Rice	337
	Maize	66,447
	Maize Meal	8,285
	Maize Flour	5,488
	Beans	2,351
Bangladesh	Wheat	228,452
	Lentils	125
Bhutan	Maize Meal	345
	Beans	135
	Rice	1,485
Bolivia	Wheat	4,200
	Wheat Flour	10,100
	Rice	210
	Pasta	210
Burkina Faso	Sorgho	2,240
	Rice	605
	Beans	40
Burundi	Maize	940
	Rice	1,500
	Beans	3,651
Cambodia	Rice	10,227
Cap Verde	Maize	13,250
	Wheat	8,000
Central African Republic	Maize Meal	262
Djibouti	Peas	315
	Wheat	5,000
	Wheat Flour	1,249

Country	Product	Quantity (tonnes)
Egypt	Wheat	100,960
	Wheat Flour	50,457
Ethiopia	Wheat	63,869
	Wheat Flour	200
	Sorgho	58,587
	Maize	35,230
	Fafa	3,050
	Beans	220
Gambia	Corn Soya	30
Guinea	Rice	530
Guinea Bissau	Rice	1,500
Haiti	Rice	10,776
	Beans	2,940
	Wheat Flour	2,200
	Wheat	537
	Flaked Oats	204
	Beans	1,932
Honduras	Maize	4,000
Ivory Coast	Rice	1,642
	Beans	1,503
	Maize Flour	9,080
	Maize	8,195
	Wheat	8,045
Jamaica	Rice	84
Kenya	Maize	15,796
	Beans	5,635
	Sorgho	1,085
	Corn Soya Beans	719
Laos	Rice	14,866
Lesotho	Maize Meal	108
	Peas	420
Liberia	Corn Soya Beans	2,830
	Beans	1,920
	Wheat Flour	2,190
	Maize Meal	2,040

Country	Product	Quantity (tonnes)
Madagascar	Rice	2,070
	Broken Rice	324
	Wheat Flour	3,260
	Beans	165
	Flaked Oats	24
Malawi	Maize	34,900
	Maize Meal	4,800
	Beans	368
Mali	Rice Seeds	300
	Broken Rice	80
	Sorgho	240
	Wheat Flour	1,460
Mauritania	Sorgho	1,100
	Rice	970
	Wheat	16,355
	Wheat Flour	1,460
Mozambique	Rice	3,342
	Broken Rice	7,166
	Wheat	3,000
	Maize	4,380
	Beans	280
Nepal	Rice	10,135
	Wheat	4,000
	Wheat Soya Beans	2,528
Niger	Sorgho	17,958
	Barley	3,500
	Rice	1,000
	Beans	181
Uganda	Maize Flour	4,275
	Maize	20,416
	Beans	1,799
	Rice	4,660
Peru	Flaked Oats	96
	Wheat	31,120
	Rice	4,282
	Beans	190
	Wheat Flour	160
	Beans	190

Country	Product	Quantity (tonnes)
Peru (cont.)	Lentils	200
	Pulses	606
	Pasta	900
	Rolled Oat	264
Rwanda	Rice	3,076
	Maize Meal	2,905
	Maize	44,061
	Beans	9,677
	Maize Flour	811
	Corn Soya Beans	3,389
	Pulses	135
	Sorgho	952
Sao Tomé and Princ.	Rice	1,000
	Beans	90
	Wheat Flour	730
Sierra Leone	Rice	2,880
	Wheat Flour	3,650
	Maize Meal	6,777
	Corn Soya Beans	3,117
Somalia	Sorgho	2,000
Sudan	Sorgho	14,362
	Wheat	2,000
	Wheat Flour	11,400
	Pulses	30
	Peas	1,008
	Maize	3,145
Sri Lanka	Peas	1,260
	Wheat Flour	730
Tanzania	Wheat Flour	4,650
	Maize	13,424
	Beans	431
Tchad	Sorgho	1,975
	Rice	2,300
Yemen	Rice	989
	Wheat	10,239
	Sorgho	1,537
	Wheat Flour	6,140

Country	Product	Quantities (tonnes)
Zaire	Maize Flour	5,615
	Maize Seeds	200
	Sorgho	1,537
	Broken Rice	120
	Maize Meal	500
	Wheat Flour	2,500
	Wheat	2,500
	Beans	975
	Maize	1,197
Zambia	Beans	215
	Maize	20,000
	Maize Meal	3,479

* Marketing year 1996/97
