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THE EUROPEAN PARLIAMENT AND THE COUNCIL OF THE EUROPEAN UNION,

Having regard to the Treaty establishing the European Community, and in particular Article 285(1) thereof,

Having regard to the Act of Accession of Bulgaria and Romania, and in particular Article 56 thereof,

Having regard to the proposal from the Commission,

Acting in accordance with the procedure laid down in Article 251 of the Treaty[(1)],

Whereas:

(1) Council Regulation (EEC) No 571/88[(2)] provides for the Member States to be reimbursed up to a maximum amount per survey, as a contribution to expenses incurred.

(2) In order to carry out the surveys on the structure of agricultural holdings, considerable funding will be required from the Member States and from the Community to meet the information requirements of the Community institutions.

(3) With a view to the accession of Bulgaria and Romania and to conducting surveys on the structure of agricultural holdings in these new Member States in 2007, it is appropriate to provide for a maximum Community contribution per survey; this adaptation is needed by reason of accession and has not been provided for in the Act of Accession.

(4) This Regulation lays down, for the remainder of the programme, a financial envelope constituting the prime reference for the budgetary authority during the annual budgetary procedure, within the meaning of point 37 of the Interinstitutional Agreement of 17 May 2006 between the European Parliament, the Council and the Commission on budgetary discipline and sound financial management[(3)],

HAVE ADOPTED THIS REGULATION:

Changes to legislation: *There are currently no known outstanding effects for the Regulation (EC) No 1928/2006 of the European Parliament and of the Council. (See end of Document for details)*

Article 1

Article 14 of Regulation (EEC) No 571/88 is amended as follows:

1) the following indents are added to the first subparagraph:
   — EUR 2 000 000 for Bulgaria,
   — EUR 2 000 000 for Romania.;

2) the third, fourth and fifth subparagraphs of paragraph 1 are replaced by the following:

   The financial envelope for the implementation of this programme, including the appropriations necessary for the management of the Eurofarm project, shall be set at EUR 20 400 000 for the period 2007-2009.

   The annual appropriations shall be authorised by the budgetary authority within the limits of the financial framework..

Article 2

This Regulation shall enter into force on the twentieth day following its publication in the Official Journal of the European Union.

Article 1(1) shall apply as from 1 January 2007.

This Regulation shall be binding in its entirety and directly applicable in all Member States.

Done at Brussels, 20 December 2006.

For the European Parliament

The President

J. BORRELL FONTELLES

For the Council

The President

J. KERKEAOJA