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COUNCIL DIRECTIVE

of 28 April 1975

concerning the Community list of less-favoured farming areas within the meaning of Directive No 75/268/EEC

(Italy)

(75/273/EEC)

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►**M3**	Council Directive 84/167/EEC of 28 February 1984	L 82	1	26.3.1984
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THE COUNCIL OF THE EUROPEAN COMMUNITIES

Having regard to the Treaty establishing the European Economic Community;

Having regard to Council Directive No 75/268/EEC [1] of 28 April 1975 on mountain and hill farming and farming in certain less-favoured areas, and in particular Article 2 (2) thereof;

Having regard to the Proposal from the Commission;

Having regard to the Opinion of the European Parliament;

Having regard to the Opinion of the Economic and Social Committee [2];

Whereas the Government of the Italian Republic communicated to the Commission, in accordance with Article 2 (1) of Directive No 75/268/EEC, 45 areas suitable for inclusion in the Community list of less-favoured farming areas and information concerning the characteristics of these areas;

Whereas a minimum average altitude of 700 m for each commune in the northern and central regions of Italy and of 800 m for each commune in southern Italy was chosen as an index of very difficult climatic conditions referred to in the first indent of Article 3 (3) of Directive No 75/268/EEC;

Whereas the steep slopes referred to in the second indent of Article 3 (3) of Directive No 75/268/EEC are defined as having a gradient of more than 20%;

Whereas where there is a combination of the two abovementioned factors, a minimum altitude of 600 m in the northern and central regions of Italy and of 700 m in the southern regions of Italy, and at the same time, a slope of more than 15% were selected;

Whereas the communication from the Italian Government stated that a very limited number of communes, or parts thereof, on the fringes of the notified mountain areas do not fully comply with the required conditions, but that they nevertheless comply with those of Article 3 (4) of Directive No 75/268/EEC; whereas their economies being closely bound up with that of bordering communes, they can nevertheless be classed as mountain areas;

Whereas the following indices relating to the presence of land of limited potential, referred to in Article 3 (4) (a) of the said Directive, have been utilized: wheat yields not more than 16·5 q/ha, while the national average is 25 q/ha, or rough grazing occupying more than 50% of the utilizable forage area, with hay yields below 20 q/ha;

Whereas the economic results of farming, being considerably lower than the average, as referred to in Article 3 (4) (b) of Directive No 75/268/EEC, are calculated using indices relating to a livestock density below 0·65 livestock units per forage hectare (national average: 0·98);

Whereas the following indices have been utilized in respect of the low or dwindling population as referred to in Article 3 (4) (c) of Directive No 75/268/EEC: density not greater than 75 inhabitants per square kilometre (the national average and the Community average are 181

[1] See page 1 of this Official Journal.
[2] OJ No C 62, 15. 3. 1975, p. 19.

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and 168 respectively) or an annual decline greater than 0·8%, and a minimum proportion of 15% of the working population engaged in agriculture as a percentage of the total working population;

Whereas for the delimination of areas affected by specific handicaps, which can be considered as less-favoured within the meaning of Article 3 (5) of Directive No 75/268/EEC, account was taken on the one hand, of the existence of unfavourable natural production conditions: unstable water table, excessive levels of salinity and the presence of ground liable to periodic flooding and, on the other hand, of handicaps resulting from constraints imposed by laws aimed at the preservation of the countryside; whereas, moreover, the combined extent of these areas does not exceed 2·5% of the area of the Member State concerned;

Whereas the nature and level of the abovementioned indices, used by the Government of the Italian Republic to define the three classes of area communicated to the Commission correspond, respectively, to the characteristics of the mountain areas, the less-favoured areas and the areas affected by specific handicaps, referred to in Article 3 (3), (4) and (5) of Directive No 75/268/EEC.

Whereas the communication by the Member State concerned does not describe the present situation of the amenities of these areas, referred to in Article 3 (2) of Directive No 75/268/EEC; whereas it appears that these amenities are inadequate, particularly in the southern region of Italy; whereas the information submitted concerning current or envisaged programmes does not enable an assessment to be made of the time necessary for a substantial improvement in this situation; whereas it nevertheless seems expedient to include the areas in question in the Community list of less-favoured farming areas, on the understanding that the Government of the Italian Republic will shortly submit to the Commission a detailed communication on this subject,

HAS ADOPTED THIS DIRECTIVE:

Article 1

The areas of the Italian Republic which appear in the Annex shall form part of the Community list of less-favoured farming areas, within the meaning of Article 3 (3), (4) and (5) of Directive No 75/268/EEC.

Article 2

The Member State concerned shall forward to the Commission, by the end of 1975 at the latest, a detailed communication indicating the time by which measures for the substantial improvement of the amenities will be effective in the areas referred to in Article 1.

Article 3

This Directive is addressed to the Italian Republic.

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ANNEX — BILAG — ANHANG — ANNEXE — ALLEGATO — BIJLAGE

ZONE SVANTAGGIATE AI SENSI DELL'ARTICOLO 3, PARAGRAFO 3, DELLA DIRETTIVA 75/268/CEE

REGIONE: PIEMONTE

PROVINCIA DI ALESSANDRIA

1. **Comuni totalmente delimitati**

N.	Comuni	Superficie territoriale (ettari)	Note
1	Albera Ligure	2 134	
2	Borghetto di Borbera	3 961	
3	Bosio	6 702	
4	Brignano Frascata	1 742	
5	Cabella Ligure	4 678	
6	Cantalupo Ligure	2 406	
7	Carrega Ligure	5 548	
8	Casaleggio Boiro	1 221	
9	Cassinelle	2 381	
10	Dernice	1 831	
11	Fabbrica Curone	5 364	
12	Fraconalto	1 585	
13	Gremiasco	►M1 1 736 ◄	
14	Grondona	►M1 2 579 ◄	
15	Malvicino	867	
16	Molare	3 277	
17	►M1 Mongiardino Ligure ◄	2 915	
18	Montacuto	►M1 2 376 ◄	
19	Morbello	►M1 2 328 ◄	
20	Pareto	►M1 4 091 ◄	
21	Ponzone	6 942	
22	Roccaforte Ligure	►M1 2 073 ◄	
23	Rocchetta Ligure	1 009	
24	S. Sebastiano Curone	395	
25	Vignole Barrera	849	
26	Voltaggio	5 149	

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1	Avolasca	1 229	
2	Carrosio	724	
3	Cartosio	1 666	
4	Casasco	903	
5	Castellania	769	
6	Castelletto d'Erro	471	
7	Cavatore	1 043	
8	Costa Vescovato	774	
9	Denice	745	
10	Garbagna	2 070	
11	Lerma	1 455	
12	Merana	933	
13	Momperone	860	
14	Monleale	961	
15	Montechiaro D'Acqui	1 751	
16	Montegioco	544	
17	Montemarzino	980	
18	Mornese	1 130	
19	Pozzol Groppo	1 386	
20	Spigno Monferrato	5 496	

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N.	Comuni	Superficie territoriale (ettari)	Note
21	Stazzano	1 783	
22	Tagliolo Monferrato	2 591	
	Sommano	106 403	

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2. **Comuni parzialmente delimitati**

N.	Comuni	Superficie territoriale (ettari)	Superficie delimitata (ettari)	
1	Arquata Scrivia	2 336	1 349	
9	Serravalle Scrivia	1 602	126	
	Sommano	3 938	1 475	

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