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**UPDATED AD HOC REPORT ON COVID-19 MEASURES TAKEN BY THE EU  
(INCLUDING BY ITS MEMBER STATES) IN THE AGRICULTURAL SECTOR –  
(DOCUMENT G/AG/GEN/159, G/AG/GEN/159/ADD.1,  
G/AG/GEN/159/ADD.2 AND G/AG/GEN/159/ADD.3)**

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*Addendum*

1.1. This document updates the EU ad hoc reports on Covid-19 measures *in document G/AG/GEN/159, document G/AG/GEN/159/Add.1, document G/AG/GEN/159/Add.2 and document G/AG/GEN/159/Add.3*. It covers measures adopted by the EU and its member States **after** 10 November 2020 until 10 March 2021.

1.2. It includes a list of the additional measures that have been approved by the European Commission since the submission of the document G/AG/GEN/159 and its subsequent updates, and EU member States' subsidies under EU state aid rules (see the European Union Guidelines for state aid in the agricultural and forestry sectors and in rural areas 2014 to 2020<sup>1</sup>) as well as those approved under the Temporary Framework to support the economy in the context of the coronavirus outbreak<sup>2</sup>. They do not include those granted under Commission Regulation (EU) No 702/2014<sup>3</sup> and those considered as *de minimis* aid under Commission Regulation (EU) No 1408/2013<sup>4</sup>, for which there is no ex ante requirement for notification by EU member States to the European Commission. General schemes available to all sectors of the economy are not included in the attached list.

1.3. This document also includes an update of the quantities contracted under the private storage schemes as well as the quantities in store on 31 December 2020 for these schemes. The private storage schemes have now been terminated and products are no longer in storage.

1.4. Several of the schemes in the ad hoc reports are open to all economic sectors in a country or many different sectors. Actors active in agriculture may benefit together with those from the rest of the economy to such schemes. For these schemes, the amounts indicated in this document as well in previous versions indicate the overall total amount for available and **not** the specific amount for the agricultural sector. This is the case for the two Slovenian schemes included in the top of this report unless otherwise indicated. It should also be underlined that the amounts indicated are the maximum budgeted, and actual execution can be less.

1.5. Measures in this and previous ad hoc reports that constitute domestic support will be included in the EU DS:1 notification covering the relevant year. For example, expenditure related to budget year 2020 will be included in the EU DS:1 notification for the 2019/20 marketing year.

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<sup>1</sup> For the latest consolidated version, see:

[https://eur-lex.europa.eu/legal-content/EN/TXT/?uri=CELEX:02014XC0701\(01\)-20181109](https://eur-lex.europa.eu/legal-content/EN/TXT/?uri=CELEX:02014XC0701(01)-20181109).

<sup>2</sup> For detailed explanations on covid-19 related state aid see:

[https://ec.europa.eu/competition/state\\_aid/what\\_is\\_new/covid\\_19.html](https://ec.europa.eu/competition/state_aid/what_is_new/covid_19.html).

<sup>3</sup> For the latest consolidated version, see:

<https://eur-lex.europa.eu/legal-content/EN/TXT/?uri=CELEX:02014R0702-20190312>.

<sup>4</sup> For the latest consolidated version, see:

<https://eur-lex.europa.eu/legal-content/EN/TXT/?uri=CELEX:02013R1408-20190314>.

### UPDATE TO EU AD-HOC REPORT ON COVID-19 MEASURES

The information below is additional to the information included in document G/AG/GEN/159, G/AG/GEN/159/Add.1, G/AG/GEN/159/Add.2 and G/AG/GEN/159/Add.3

Name	EU/ MS	Legal reference	Short description	Amount
<b>DOMESTIC SUPPORT</b>		<b>EU or National measure</b>		
<b>Private Storage</b> Cheese	<b>EU</b>	Regulation (EU) 2020/591	Allowing for private storage – 100,000 tonnes. Scheme closed for applications on 30 June 2020. Total Quantity offered 47,711 tonnes. Contracted as per 31 October 43,669 tonnes. <b>In store per 31/12: 0 tonnes</b>	Less than EUR 30 million
<b>Private Storage</b> butter	<b>EU</b>	Regulation (EU) 2020/597	Allowing for private storage - 140,000 tonnes. Scheme closed for applications on 30 June 2020. Total Quantity offered 67,694 tonnes. Contracted as per 31 October 65,004 tonnes. <b>In store per 31/12: 0 tonnes</b>	
<b>Private Storage</b> SMP	<b>EU</b>	Regulation (EU) 2020/598	Allowing for private storage 90,000 tonnes. Scheme closed for applications on 30 June 2020. Total Quantity offered 20,138 tonnes. Contracted as per 31 October 18,300 tonnes. <b>In store per 31/12: 0 tonnes</b>	
<b>Private Storage</b> Sheep meat	<b>EU</b>	Regulation (EU) 2020/595	Allowing for private storage. Closing day for applications 17 July 2020. Total Quantity offered 140 tonnes. Contracted as per 31 October 15 tonnes. <b>In store per 31/12: 0 tonnes.</b>	
<b>Private Storage</b> Beef meat	<b>EU</b>	Regulation (EU) 2020/596	Allowing for private storage. Closing day for applications 17 July 2020. Total Quantity offered 2,215 tonnes. Contracted as per 31 October 1,959 tonnes. <b>In store per 31/12: 0 tonnes.</b>	

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<b>MEMBER STATE MEASURES</b>				
Intervention measures to mitigate the effects of the COVID-19 epidemic on the economy.	<b>SL</b>		The agricultural part of a <b>general scheme</b> for all sector of the economy. In total EUR 2 billion. Several sub-measures including direct grants, tax advantages, guarantees and wage subsidies, Various sections under the Temporary Framework	Of which Agriculture EUR 14.7 million
Support for self-employed in form of monthly basic income and partial compensation for the lost income due to quarantine	<b>SL</b>		Farmers eligible for a <b>general scheme</b> open for self-employed in all sectors except financial services. The measure consists of two schemes. (a) Scheme 1: Monthly basic income and; (b) Scheme 2: Reimbursement of a part of the lost income due to quarantine.	Total EUR 378 million
Aid for primary agricultural producers	<b>HR</b>		The aid scheme is designed to provide financial assistance to farmers. Aid under this scheme can be granted to the following sectors: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Cow, calf, cattle and sow breeding;</li> </ul> Production of apples, mandarins and potatoes	EUR 9.3 million (HRK 70 million)
Grants for producers of fattening pigs	<b>HR</b>		Financial support for producers of fattening pigs	EUR 0.4 million (HRK 3 million)
Support for producer groups and organisations active in distribution of agric. products	<b>CY</b>		Direct grants. Eligible for aid are organised producer groups and/or producer organisations	EUR 0.56 million
COVID-19 aid to agricultural primary production and to food and feed production	<b>CZ</b>		Direct grants as laid down in the program AGRICOVID. The aid is designed to preserve the viability of enterprises where these measures have directly affected the demand and supply chain and the agricultural and food production and thereby limited the activities of the enterprises concerned	EUR 110 million (CZK 3 billion)
Aid to farmers in the sectors of buffalo breeding, outdoor watermelon production, greenhouse crops production and summer and autumn potatoes production	<b>EL</b>		Direct grants to compensate for the loss of income in the sectors concerned during the COVID 19 pandemic	EUR 26 million
Temporary State Aid to Fur Animal Keepers facing economic difficulties caused by the outbreak of Covid-19	<b>LIT</b>		Alleviate the difficulties faced by fur animal keepers (specifically, mink keepers), who were not able to sell their production because of the mandatory closure of fur auctions, due to the COVID-19 pandemic	EUR 5 million
Direct grant scheme for beef, pork, goat and sheep meat sectors	<b>LUX</b>		Support producers who have suffered severely reduced incomes due to measures taken to limit the spread of the COVID-19, especially in the period during March to May 2020	EUR 1.5 million
Direct grants for the seed sector	<b>LUX</b>		Support producers who have suffered severely reduced incomes due to measures taken to limit the spread of the COVID-19, especially in the period during March to May 2020	EUR 0.5 million
Direct grants for the wine sector	<b>LUX</b>		Support producers who have suffered severely reduced incomes due to measures taken to limit the spread of the COVID-19, especially in the period during March to May 2020	EUR 0.1 million

<b>Name</b>	<b>EU/ MS</b>	<b>Legal reference</b>	<b>Short description</b>	<b>Amount</b>
Aid for producers of ornamental plants (chrysanthemums) threatened by a loss of liquidity due to restrictions on the agricultural market caused by the COVID-19 epidemic	<b>PL</b>		Direct grant to producers of ornamental plants	EUR 40 million (PLN 180 million)
Support for pig breeding farmers	<b>PL</b>		The measure is to address the risk of losing financial liquidity of pig breeding undertakings, affected by the economic repercussions of the COVID-19 outbreak.	EUR 39.2 million (PLN 175 million)
Aid to wine grape producers	<b>RO</b>		Direct grant to wine producers	EUR 12.4 million (RON 59.5 million)