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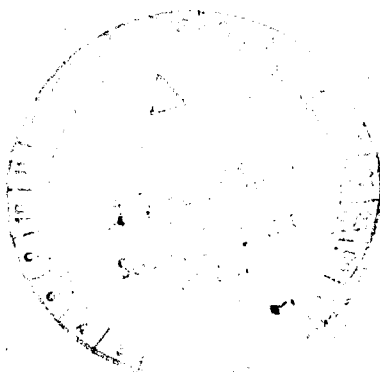
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PROPOSAL FOR A COUNCIL REGULATION (EEC)
OPENING, ALLOCATING AND PROVIDING FOR THE
ADMINISTRATION OF A COMMUNITY TARIFF QUOTA FOR FRESH OR
CHILLED TOMATOES FALLING WITHIN SUBHEADING
EX 07.01 M OF THE COMMON CUSTOMS TARIFF,
ORIGINATING IN THE AFRICAN, CARIBBEAN AND
PACIFIC-STATES AND IN THE OVERSEAS
COUNTRIES AND TERRITORIES (1979/80)

(submitted to the Council by the Commission)



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EXPLANATORY MEMORANDUM

1. On 28 February 1978, the Council defined in Regulation (EEC) n° 430/78 (OJ n° L 59 of 1.3.1978, p. 48) the tariff treatment applicable to fresh or chilled tomatoes falling within subheading ex 07.01 M of the CCT, originating in the ACP States and the OCT.

Article 1 of that Regulation provides for the opening of a Community tariff quota of 1.000 tonnes of the product in question at duties equal to 40% of the CCT duties, with a minimum charge of 2 u.a/100 kg, for the period from 15 November to 15 April. By this article, the applicability of this provision ends on 29 February 1980. Consequently for the volume of the quota to be fixed for the period of 15 November 1979 to 29 February 1980 the prorata temporis clause is applicable (= 7/10 of the quota).

It is therefore necessary to open a tariff quota of 700 tonnes for the period concerned, by means of the proposal in annex.

2. The Commission proposes the "grey hound system" as form of administration.

PROPOSAL FOR A
COUNCIL REGULATION (EEC)

opening, allocating and providing for the administration of a Community tariff quota for fresh or chilled tomatoes falling within subheading ex 07.01 M I of the Common Customs Tariff, originating in the African, Caribbean and Pacific States and in the overseas countries and territories (1979/80)

THE COUNCIL OF THE EUROPEAN
COMMUNITIES,

Having regard to the Treaty establishing the European Economic Community, and in particular Articles 43 and 113 thereof,

Having regard to the proposal from the Commission,

Having regard to the opinion of the European Parliament⁽¹⁾,

Whereas Article 1 of Council Regulation (EEC) No 430/78⁽²⁾ provides for the opening by the Community of a Community tariff quota of 1 000 tonnes of fresh or chilled tomatoes falling within subheading ex 07.01 M I of the Common Customs Tariff, originating in the African, Caribbean and Pacific States and in the overseas countries and territories; whereas the quota period runs from 15 November to 15 April; whereas the customs duty applicable to the quota is set at 4.4 %, with a minimum charge of two units of account per 100 kilograms net weight;

whereas this Regulation is valid only until 29 February 1980; whereas, therefore, the prorata temporis clause is applicable for the fixing of the quota volume for the period 15 November 1979 to 29 February 1980; whereas a Community tariff quota of 700 tonnes should therefore be opened for the period in question.

Whereas it is necessary in particular to ensure to all Community importers equal and uninterrupted access to the abovementioned quota, and uninterrupted application of the rates laid down for that quota to all imports of the products concerned into all Member States until the quota has been used up; whereas, however, since the tariff quota involved is of a relatively low volume and the period of application is very short, it seems possible to allocate the whole quota volume to the Community reserve and to provide for the possibility of those Member States in which needs might arise drawing appropriate quantities from that reserve; whereas the shares thus drawn from the reserve must be valid until the end of the quota period; whereas this

method of management requires close cooperation between the Member States and the Commission and the latter must in particular be able to monitor the rate at which the quota is used up and inform the Member States thereof;

Whereas, since the Kingdom of Belgium, the Kingdom of the Netherlands and the Grand Duchy of Luxembourg are united in and represented by the Benelux Economic Union, any operation relating to the administration of the shares allocated to that economic union may be carried out by any one of its members,

HAS ADOPTED THIS REGULATION:

Article 1

1. For the period 15 November 1979 to 15 February 1980, a Community tariff quota of 700 tonnes shall be opened in the Community for fresh or chilled tomatoes falling within subheading ex 07.01 M I of the Common Customs Tariff, originating in the African, Caribbean and Pacific States and in the overseas countries and territories.

Within this tariff quota the Common Customs Tariff duty applicable to the products shall be suspended at 4.4 % with a minimum charge of two units of account per 100 kilograms net weight.

2. The volume of the tariff quota referred to in paragraph 1 shall constitute a reserve.

3. If the need should arise for the products in question in a Member State, the latter shall draw an appropriate share from the reserve, providing that the size of the reserve so permits.

4. The shares drawn pursuant to paragraph 3 shall be valid until 29 February 1980.

Article 2

1. The Member States shall take all measures necessary to ensure that shares drawn pursuant to Article 1 are opened in such a way that changes may be made without interruption against their accumulated shares of the Community quota.

2. Member States shall ensure that importers of the said products established in their territory have free access to the shares allocated to them.

3. The Member States shall charge imports of the said goods against their shares as and when the goods are entered with customs authorities for home use.

4. The extent to which a Member State has used up its share shall be determined on the basis of the imports charged in accordance with paragraph 3.

Article 3

At the request of the Commission, Member States shall inform it of imports actually charged against their shares.

Article 4

The Member States and the Commission shall cooperate closely in order to ensure that this Regulation is complied with.

Article 5

The rules of origin applicable to the products imported under this Regulation shall be, respectively, those of Protocol 1 annexed to the ACP-EEC Convention of Lomé concerning the definition of the concept of 'originating products' and the methods of administrative cooperation, and those of Annex II to Council Decision 76/568/EEC of 29 June 1976 on the association of the overseas countries and territories with the European Economic Community (1).

Article 6

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

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

Done at

For the Council

The President

(1) OJ No L 176, 1. 7. 1976, p. 8.