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Decision

of the Representatives of the Governments of the Member States of the European Coal and Steel Community, meeting within the Council, opening, allocating and providing for the administration of tariff quotas for certain steel products originating in developing countries

Brussels, 28 November 1977

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DECISION(1)

OF THE REPRESENTATIVES OF THE GOVERNMENTS OF THE MEMBER STATES OF THE EUROPEAN COAL AND STEEL COMMUNITY MEETING WITHIN THE COUNCIL, OPENING, ALLOCATING AND PROVIDING FOR THE ADMINISTRATION OF TARIFF QUOTAS FOR CERTAIN STEEL PRODUCTS ORIGINATING IN DEVELOPING COUNTRIES

The Representatives of the Governments of the Member States of the European Coal and Steel Community, meeting within the Council,

In agreement with the Commission,

Have decided as follows:

ARTICLE 1

- 1. From 1 January to 31 December 1978 the duties applicable in all customs areas of the Community to the products listed in Annex A shall be completely suspended within the framework of the Community tariff quotas of amounts which shall be expressed in units of account and which shall be indicated against each product in column 3 of that Annex.
- 2. These tariff quotas shall be enjoyed solely by products originating in the countries and territories listed in Annex B. However, those imports which already enjoy exemption from customs duties under other preferential tariff arrangements granted by the nine Member States of the Community may not be charged against these tariff quotas. For the purposes of the application of this Decision, the concept of originating products shall be determined in accordance with the procedure laid down in Article 14 of Council Regulation (EEC) No. 802/68 of 27 June 1968 on the common definition of the concept of the origin of goods(2).
- 3. The amount to be charged in respect of each country or territory referred to in paragraph 2 against each of the tariff quota amounts indicated in column 5 of Annex A shall be limited to the maximum amount given as a percentage in column 4 of Annex A against each category of products.
- 4. Any amendment to Annex B, in particular by the addition of new countries or territories enjoying tariff preferences, may entail a corresponding adjustment to the maximum amounts expressed as percentages laid down in column 4 of Annex A and to the tariff ceilings and quotas laid down respectively in columns 3 and 5 of Annex A.

⁽¹⁾ For texts in Danish, Dutch, French, German and Italian see Official Journal of the European Communities No. L.324 of 19 December 1977, available through Agency Section, Her Majesty's Stationery Office, PO Box 569, London SE1 9NY—Tel. 01-928 6977, ext. 410.

⁽²⁾ Official Journal No. L.148 of 28 June 1968, p.1.

ARTICLE 2

- 1. The Member States shall administer their tariff quotas in accordance with their own provisions in this respect.
- 2. The extent to which a Member State has used up its share shall be determined on the basis of imports of the said goods which have been entered for home use, on the basis of the customs value of the said goods, and which are accompanied by a certificate of origin in accordance with the rules referred to in Article 1 (2).
- 3. Goods may be imported under the tariff quota only if the certificate of origin mentioned in paragraph 2 is presented before the date on which customs duties are re-introduced.

ARTICLE 3

Each Member State shall re-introduce the levying of duties which have been suspended in respect of a country or territory mentioned in Annex B as soon as it records that the charges against its national quota of the products concerned originating in such country or territory have reached the maximum amount laid down in column 4 of Annex A.

Such re-introduction shall be notified immediately to the Commission, which shall inform the other Member States forthwith. At the request of a Member State or of the Commission, the possible consequences of such a situation (with regard to the aggregate appearing in column 3 of Annex A) shall be jointly examined immediately.

ARTICLE 4

Member States shall inform the Commission at least monthly of imports of the products in question charged against their quotas.

ARTICLE 5

Member States, in close co-operation with the Commission, shall take all necessary measures to ensure that the above provisions are applied.

ARTICLE 6

The Member States shall take all measures necessary for the implimentation of this Decision.

Done at Brussels, 28 November 1977

The President

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ANNEX A

List of products subject to zero-duty tariff ceilings under the generalized tariff preferences granted to developing countries and territories

CCT heading No.	Description	Aggregate of column 5 (in UA)	Maximum amount per country and territory (%)	Volume of shares allocated to Member States (in UA)
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)
73.08	Iron or steel coils for re-rolling	12,091,800	40	Germany 3,325,245 Benelux 1,269,640 France 2,297,440 Italy 1,813,770 Denmark 604,590 Ireland 120,920 United 2,660,195
73.10	Bars and rods (including wire rod), of iron or steel, hot-rolled, forged, extruded, cold-formed or cold-finished (including precision-made); hollow mining drill steel: A. Not further worked than hot-rolled or extruded D. Clad or surface-worked (for example, polished, coated): I. Not further worked than clad: a) Hot-rolled or extruded	7,493,900	50	Germany Benelux France Italy Denmark Ireland United Kingdom 2,060,810 786,860 1,423,840 1,124,090 374,700 74,940 1,648,660
73.13	Sheets and plates, of iron or steel, hotrolled or cold-rolled: A. 'Electrical' sheets and plates B. Other sheets and plates: I. Not further worked than hotrolled II. Not further worked than cold-rolled of a thickness of: b) More than 1 mm. but less than 3 mm. c) 1 mm. or less III. Not further worked than burnished, polished or glazed IV. Clad, coated or otherwise surface-treated: b) Tinned c) Zinc-coated or lead-coated d) Other (for example, copperplated, artificially oxidized, lacquered, nickel-plated, varnished, clad, parkerized, printed) V. Otherwise shaped or worked: a) Cut into shapes other than rectangular shapes, but not further worked: 2. Other	23,440,200	30	Germany Benelux Prance France Italy Denmark Ireland United Kingdom Germany S,156,845

ANNEX B

List of developing countries and territories enjoying generalized tariff preferences(1)

I. INDEPENDENT COUNTRIES

660 Afahani-ta-	260 Guinea	440 Dagger
660 Afghanistan	257 Guinea Bissau	440 Panama
208 Algeria		801 Papua New Guinea
330 Angola	488 Guyana 452 Haiti	520 Paraguay
528 Argentina		504 Peru
453 Bahamas	424 Honduras	708 Philippines
640 Bahrain	DO4 INGIA	644 Qatar
666 Bangladesh	700 Indonesia	324 Rwanda
469 Barbados	616 Iran	819 Samoa
284 Benin	612 Iraq	311 Sao Tome and
675 Bhutan	272 Ivory Coast	Principe
516 Bolivia	464 Jamaica	632 Saudi Arabia
391 Botswana	628 Jordan	248 Senegal
508 Brazil	696 Kampuchea, Democratic	
676 Burma	346 Kenya	Dependencies
328 Burundi	728 Korea, Republic of	264 Sierra Leone
302 Cameroon	636 Kuwait	706 Singapore
247 Cape Verde Islands	684 Lao, People's Democratic	
306 Central African Empire	Republic	669 Sri Lanka
244 Chad	604 Lebanon	224 Sudan 492 Surinam
512 Chile	395 Lesotho	492 Surinam
480 Colombia	268 Liberia	393 Swaziland
375 Comoros	216 Libva	608 Syria
318 Congo, People's Republic of	370 Madagascar	352 Tanzania
436 Costa Rica	186 Malawi	680 Thailand
448 Cuba	701 Malaysia	280 Togo
600 Cyprus	701 Malaysia 667 Maldive Islands	817 Tonga
338 Djibouti	232 Mali	280 Togo 817 Tonga 472 Trinidad and Tobago 212 Tunisia
456 Dominican Republic	228 Mauritania	212 Tunisia
500 Ecuador	373 Mauritius	350 Uganda
220 Egypt	412 Mexico	647 United Arab Emirates
478 Fi Salvador	204 Morocco	236 Upper Volta
310 Equatorial Guinea	366 Mozambique	524 Uruguay
334 Ethiopia	803 Nauru	484 Venezuela
815 Fiji	672 Nepal	690 Vietnam
314 Gabon	432 Nicaragua	652 Yemen
252 Gambia	240 Niger	656 Yemen, Democratic
276 Ghana	288 Nigeria	048 Yugoslavia
473 Grenada	649 Oman	322 Zaire
416 Guatemala	662 Pakistan	378 Zambia
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⁽¹⁾ The code number preceding the name of each beneficiary country or territory is that given in 'Geonomenclature 1977', published by the Statistical Office of the European Communities.

II. COUNTRIES AND TERRITORIES

dependent or administered, or for whose external relations Member States of the Community or third countries are wholly or partly responsible

- 890 Australian Antarctic Territory 421 Belize
- 413 Bermuda
- 890 British Antarctic Territory
- 357 British Indian Ocean Territory
- 812 British Pacific Ocean 703 Brunei
- 202 Canary Islands

- 463 Cayman Islands and Dependencies 205 Ceuta and Melilla 802 Christmas Island, Cocos (Keeling) Islands, Heard Island and McDonald Islands, Norfolk Island
- 529 Falkland Islands and Dependencies
- 822 French Polynesia
- 890 French Southern and Antarctic Territories
- 044 Gibraltar
- 740 Hong Kong
- 743 Macao
- 377 Mayotte 476 Netherlands Antilles
- 809 New Caledonia and Dependencies
- 808 Pacific Islands administered by the United States of America or under United States trusteeship(1)
- 329 St. Helena and Dependencies
- 814 Territories for which New Zealand is responsible (Cook Islands, Niue Island, Tokelau Islands)
- 454 Turks and Caicos Islands 457 Virgin Islands of the United States
- 811 Wallis and Futuna Islands
- 471 West Indies

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Note: The above lists may be amended subsequently to take account of changes in the international status of countries or territories.

(1) The Pacific Islands administered by the United States of America include: Guam, American Samoa (including Swain's Island), Midway Islands, Johnston and Sand Islands, Wake Island and the Trust Territory of the Pacific Islands (the Caroline, Marianas and Marshall Islands).

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