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Additional Protocol

to the Agreement between the Member States of the European Coal and Steel Community and the Lebanese Republic consequent on the Accession of the Hellenic Republic to the Community

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ADDITIONAL PROTOCOL

TO THE AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE MEMBER STATES OF THE EUROPEAN COAL AND STEEL COMMUNITY AND THE LEBANESE REPUBLIC CONSEQUENT ON THE ACCESSION OF THE HELLENIC REPUBLIC TO THE COMMUNITY

The Kingdom of Belgium, the Kingdom of Denmark, the Federal Republic of Germany, the French Republic, Ireland, the Italian Republic, the Grand Duchy of Luxembourg, the Kingdom of the Netherlands, the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland, being members of the European Coal and Steel Community, and the Hellenic Republic acceding to the European Coal and Steel Community,

of the one part,

and the Lebanese Republic, of the other part,

considering the accession of the Hellenic Republic to the European Communities on 1 January 1981,

having regard to the Agreement between the Member States of the European Coal and Steel Community and the Lebanese Republic, signed in Brussels on 3 May 1977¹, hereinafter called the "Agreement",

have decided to determine by common accord the adjustments and transitional measures to the Agreement consequent on the accession of the Hellenic Republic to the European Coal and Steel Community

and to conclude this protocol:

ARTICLE 1

The Hellenic Republic hereby becomes party to the Agreement.

TITLE I

Adjustments

ARTICLE 2

The text of the Agreement, including the Annex forming an integral part thereof, shall be drawn up in Greek and that text shall be authentic in the same way as the original texts. The Joint Committee shall approve the Greek text.

TITLE II

Transitional measures

ARTICLE 3

For the products covered by the Agreement, the Hellenic Republic shall progressively abolish customs duties on imports in accordance with the following timetable:

- on 1 January 1981, each duty shall be reduced to 90% of the basic duty;
- on 1 January 1982, each duty shall be reduced to 80% of the basic duty;
- the four other reductions of 20% each shall be made on:
 - 1 January 1983,
 - 1 January 1984,
 - 1 January 1985,
 - 1 January 1986.

¹ Treaty Series No. 29 (1980) Cmnd. 7842.

ARTICLE 4

The basic duty to which the successive reductions provided for in Article 3 are to be applied shall, for each product, be the duty actually applied on 1 July 1980.

ARTICLE 5

- 1. The Hellenic Republic shall progressively abolish charges having equivalent effect to customs duties on imports of products originating in Lebanon in accordance with the following timetable:
- on 1 January 1981, each charge shall be reduced to 90% of the basic rate;
- on 1 January 1982, each charge shall be reduced to 80% of the basic rate;
- the four other reductions of 20% each shall be made on:
 - 1 January 1983,
 - 1 January 1984,
 - 1 January 1985,
 - 1 January 1986.
- 2. The basic rate to which the successive reductions provided for in paragraph 1 are to be applied shall, for each product, be the rate applied by the Hellenic Republic on 31 December 1980.
- 3. Any charge having equivalent effect to a customs duty on imports, introduced as from 1 January 1979 in trade between Greece and Lebanon, shall be abolished on 1 January 1981.

ARTICLE 6

If the Hellenic Republic suspends or reduces duties or charges having equivalent effect on products imported from the Community as at present constituted more quickly than under the established timetable, the Hellenic Republic shall also suspend or reduce, to the same level, those duties or charges having equivalent effect on products originating in Lebanon.

ARTICLE 7

1. Import deposits and cash payments in force in Greece on 31 December 1980 with regard to imports of products originating in Lebanon shall be progressively eliminated over a period of three years from 1 January 1981.

The rate of import deposits and cash payments shall be reduced in accordance with the following timetable:

- 1 January 1981: 25%,
- 1 January 1982: 25%,
- 1 January 1983: 25%,
- 1 January 1984: 25%.
- 2. If, in respect of the Community as at present constituted, the Hellenic Republic reduces the rate of import deposits or cash payments more quickly than under the timetable set out in paragraph 1, the Hellenic Republic shall make the same reduction with regard to imports of products originating in Lebanon.

TITLE III

General and final provisions

ARTICLE 8

The Joint Committee shall make any amendments which may be necessary to the origin rules consequent on the accession of the Hellenic Republic to the European Communities.

ARTICLE 9

This Protocol forms an integral part of the Agreement.

ARTICLE 10

This Protocol shall be approved by the Contracting Parties in accordance with their own procedures. It shall enter into force on 1 January 1981, provided that the Contracting Parties have notified each other before that date that the procedures necessary to this end have been completed. After that date, the Protocol shall enter into force on the first day of the second month following such notification.

ARTICLE 11

This Protocol is drawn up in duplicate, in the Danish, Dutch, English, French, German, Greek, Italian and Arabic languages, each of these texts being equally authentic.

Done at Brussels on the twelfth day of December in the year one thousand nine hundred and eighty.

SIGNATURES AND APPROVALS

State	Date of signature	Date of notification of completion of procedures
Belgium	12 Dec. 1980	18 Aug. 1982
Denmark	12 Dec. 1980	20 Sep. 1984
France	12 Dec. 1980	7 Jan. 1986
Germany	12 Dec. 1980	11 Jun. 1985
Greece	12 Dec. 1980	31 Oct. 1988
Ireland	12 Dec. 1980	12 Jan. 1985
Italy	12 Dec. 1980	6 Dec. 1985
Lebanon	12 Dec. 1980	17 May. 1994
Luxembourg	12 Dec. 1980	30 Aug. 1983
Netherlands	12 Dec. 1980	31 Oct. 1983
United Kingdom	12 Dec. 1980	19 Jul. 1983

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¹ The Protocol entered into force on 1 July 1994.