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PROPOSAL FOR A COUNCIL REGULATION

maintaining the common rules for import authorization
and quantitative limitation for certain textile pro-
ducts originating in state-trading countries

(submitted to the Council by the Commission)

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EXPLANATORY MEMORANDUM

1. By Regulation No. 671/78 of 3 April 1978(1) and by virtue of article 7 of Council Regulation 109/70, the Commission has subjected the import of certain textile products originating in state-trading countries to common rules for authorization and quantitative limitation.

2. This has been done as an urgent measure of conservation, as the rules on the import of these particularly sensitive products should have been adopted before the 1 March 1978.

3. The Commission Regulation expires six weeks after its entry into force in April 1978 unless it is confirmed by the Council.

Thus the Commission proposes that the Council adopt the following Regulation confirming the measures it has taken.



Proposal for a
COUNCIL REGULATION

maintaining the common rules for import authorization and quantitative limitation for certain textile products originating in state-trading countries.

The Council of the European Communities,

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

Having regard to Council Regulation (EEC) No 109/70 of 19 December 1969 establishing common rules for imports from state-trading countries (1), and in particular Article 8 thereof,

Having regard to the proposal from the Commission,

Whereas by Regulation (EEC) No 671/78 of 3 April 1978 (2) the Commission made the importation into the Community of certain textile products originating in state-trading countries subject to common rules for authorization and quantitative limitation;

Whereas the grounds justifying the introduction of these rules still exist whereas they should therefore continue to apply until 31 December 1978;

Whereas, in addition to the provisions of Council Regulation (EEC) No 1023/70 of 25 May 1970 establishing a common procedure for administering of quantitative quotas (3), a simplified procedure should be set up to deal with the need for additional imports which could arise in a Member State after the quota-share of the Community quota allocated to that Member State has been exhausted,

(1) OJ No. L 19/1, 26.6.1970, p.1

(2) OJ No. L 96, 10.4.1978, p.1

(3) OJ No. L 124, 8.6.1970, p.1

HAS ADOPTED THIS REGULATION:

Article 1

The rules established by Regulation (EEC) No. 671 shall continue to apply until 31 December 1978.

Article 2

1. If a Member State has issued import authorizations to the total amount of its quota-share and finds that there is a need for additional imports, it shall inform the Commission thereof.
2. At the request of the Member State concerned, the Commission may, after oral or written consultation with the Member States in the Committee provided for in Article 10 of Regulation (EEC) No 1023/70, increase the amount which may be imported into the Member State concerned.

In urgent cases, the Commission shall start consultations in the said Committee within five working days of receiving the request from the Member State concerned, and shall give its decision within fifteen working days of the said date.

Article 3

This Regulation shall enter into force on the 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

By the Council