

INFORMATION

EXTERNAL RELATIONS

LIST OF EEC AGREEMENTS WITH OUTSIDE COUNTRIES

139/77

The tables in this note bring up-to-date and replace our previous note n° 115/75.

The tables give particulars of :

- agreements with the countries of Central and Northern Europe;
- agreements with State-trading countries;
- agreements with Mediterranean countries
 - .. in Europe
 - .. in Africa and Asia;
- the Lomé Convention with countries in Africa, the Caribbean and the Pacific;
- agreements with other Asian countries;
- agreements with other American countries.

Textile agreements concluded in virtue of the multifibres arrangement (International Arrangement on the Trade in Textiles, Note n° 131/76) are indicated by an asterisk.

TRADE AGREEMENTS WITH CENTRAL AND NORTH EUROPEAN COUNTRIES

	Date effective	Duration	Legal basis (Treaty of Rome)	Notes
Austria	1.1.73	Unlimited	Art. 113	Preferential trade agreement setting up an industrial free trade area. The trade clauses were effective as from 1.1.72.
	1.1.74	Unlimited	Art. 113	Agreement on Community goods in transit through Austria.
	1.5.76	Unlimited	Art. 113	Agreement on goods in transit between the EEC and Greece and Turkey.
Finland	1.1.74	Unlimited	Art. 113	Preferential trade agreement setting up an industrial free trade area.
Iceland	1.4.73	Unlimited	Art.113	Preferential trade agreement setting up an industrial free trade area. Additional agricultural concessions operative since 1.7.76.
Norway	1.7.73	Unlimited	Art.113	Preferential trade agreement setting up an industrial free trade area.
Sweden	1.1.73	Unlimited	Art.113	Preferential trade agreement setting up an industrial free trade area.
Switzerland	1.1.73	Unlimited	Art.113	Preferential trade agreement setting up an industrial free trade area.
	30.11.72	Unlimited	Art.113	Agreement on EEC goods in transit through Switzerland.

TRADE AGREEMENT WITH STATE-TRADING COUNTRIES

Rumania (*)	Retroactive to 1.1.76	to 31.12.77	Art.113	Agreement on trade in textiles
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AGREEMENT WITH MEDITERRANEAN COUNTRIES IN EUROPE

Association agreements

	Date effective	Duration	Legal basis (Treaty of Rome)	Notes
Cyprus	1.6.73	Stage I : 4 years to 30.6.77	Art.238	Association agreement, of which stage two, running from 1.7.77 provides gradual setting up of customs union over a period limited in principle to five years.
Greece	1.11.62	Unlimited	Art.238	Association agreement setting up customs union. On 12.6.75 Greece officially requested full EEC membership; negotiations opened 27.7.76
Malta	1.4.71	Stage I : 5 years to 31.3.76 extended till 30.6.77	Art.238	Association agreement providing, in its second stage, setting up of customs union over a period limited in principle to five years. Finance protocol signed 4.3.76. Protocol in force from 1.6.76, extending agreement to agriculture and cooperation.
Turkey	1.12.64	Unlimited	Art.238	Association agreement setting up customs union and providing for ultimate full membership.

AGREEMENTS WITH MEDITERRANEAN COUNTRIES IN EUROPE (continued)

Trade agreements

Spain	1.10.70	Stage I : not less than 6 years	Art.113	Preferential trade agreement (free trade) but limited to trade with the original EEC members. Extension to the new EEC members is under consideration
Portugal	1.1.73	Unlimited	Art.113	Preferential trade agreement setting up a free trade area. Trade provisions of additional protocol came into force 1.11.76, under interim agreement signed 20.9.76. This protocol provides industrial, technical and social co-operation. Finance aid is also provided.
Yugoslavia (*)	1.9.73 retroactive to 1.1.76	5 years, (renewable) to 31.12.77	Art.113 Art.113	Non-preferential trade agreement, enabling extension of cooperation. Agreement on the trade in textiles

AGREEMENTS WITH MEDITERRANEAN COUNTRIES IN AFRICA AND ASIA

	Date effective	Duration	Legal basis (Treaty of Rome)	Notes
Algeria	signed 26.4.76	Unlimited	Art.238	Cooperation agreement (commercial, industrial, technical, social and financial). Provisions include, free access for industrial goods to EEC market and preferences for agricultural goods. Trade provisions operative from 1.7.76 by interim agreement
Morocco	signed 27.4.76	Unlimited	Art.238	Cooperation agreement (commercial, industrial, technical, social and financial). Provisions include, free access for industrial goods to EEC market and preferences for agricultural goods. Trade provisions operative from 1.7.76 by interim agreement
Tunisia	signed 25.4.76	Unlimited	Art.238	Cooperation agreement (commercial, industrial, technical, social and financial). Provisions include, free access for industrial goods to EEC market and preferences for agricultural goods. Trade provisions operative from 1.7.76 by interim agreement
Arab Republic of Egypt	1.11.73 signed 18.1.77	1.11.78 Unlimited	Art.113 Art.238	Preferential trade agreement. Cooperation agreement (commercial, industrial, technical, and financial). Provisions include free access for industrial goods to EEC market and preferences for agricultural goods. Intended for substitution for earlier agreement
(*)	retroactive to 1.1.76	to 31.12.77	Art.113	Agreement on the trade in textiles
Israel	1.7.75 signed 8.2.77	Unlimited Unlimited	Art.113 Art.238	Agreement setting up an area of free-trade and cooperation. Additional protocol on industrial, technical and financial cooperation.

AGREEMENTS WITH MEDITERRANEAN COUNTRIES IN AFRICA AND ASIA (continued)

	Date effective	Duration	Legal basis (Treaty of Rome)	Notes
Jordan	signed 18.1.77	Unlimited	Art.238	Cooperation agreement (commercial, industrial, technical and financial). Provisions include free access for industrial goods to EEC market and preferences for agricultural goods.
Lebanon	1.7.65 signed 18.12.72	Renewable annually five years	Art.113 Art.113	Agreement on trade and technical co-operation. Preferential trade agreement (not yet ratified by Lebanon). The EEC is willing to negotiate a cooperation agreement similar to those made with other countries in the same region.
Syria	signed 18.1.77	Unlimited	Art.238	Cooperation agreement (commercial, industrial, technical and financial). Provisions include free access for industrial goods to EEC market and preferences for agricultural goods.

CONVENTION WITH AFRICAN, CARIBBEAN AND PACIFIC COUNTRIES (ACP)

49 States : Bahamas, Barbados, Benin, Botswana, Burundi, Cameroon, Central African Rep. Chad, Congo, Equatorial Guinea, Ethiopia, Fiji, Gabon, the Gambia, Ghana, Granada, Guinea, Guinea- Bissau, Guyana, Ivory Coast, Jamaica, Kenya, Lesotho, Liberia, Madagascar, Malawi Mali, Mauritania, Mauritius, Niger, Nigeria, Rwanda, Senegal, Sierra Leone, Somalia, Sudan, Swaziland, Tanzania, Togo, Tonga, Trinidad and Tobago, Uganda, Upper Volta, Western Samoa, Zaïre, Zambia.	1.4.76	Expires 1.3.80.	Art.238	General convention signed at Lomé covering, essentially : - trade cooperation; free access for ACP goods to EEC market (operative in advance from 1.7.75); - stabilisation of export receipts; - industrial, technical and financial cooperation. An annexed protocol guarantees the sugar exports from the following countries: Barbados, Congo, Fiji, Guyana, Jamaica, Kenya, Madagascar, Malawi, Mauritius, Swaziland, Tanzania, Trinidad and Tobago, Uganda. Countries in course of accession to the Convention are : Cape Verde, New Guinea-Papua, St. Tomé and Príncipe.
Surinam	16.7.76			
Seychelles	27.8.76			
Comores	13.9.76			

TRADE AGREEMENTS WITH ASIAN COUNTRIES

Countries with which cooperation agreements have been signed

	Date effective	Duration	Legal basis (Treaty of Rome)	Notes
Bangladesh	1.12.76	five years (renewable)	Art.113	Non-preferential trade cooperation agreement
	retroactive to 1.1.76	to 31.12.79	Art.113	Agreement on trade in jute products
	1.11.74	Unlimited	Art.113	Agreement on silk fabrics and handloom-woven cotton goods (1)
	1.11.74	Unlimited	Art.113	Agreement on trade in handicraft products (1).
India	1.4.74	five years (renewable)	Art.113	Non-preferential trade cooperation agreement.
	18.7.75	Unlimited	Art.113	Agreement guaranteeing Indian sugar exports (as in ACP protocol).
	retroactive to 1.1.76	to 31.12.79	Art.113	Agreement on trade in jute products
	Initialled 7.4.76	to 31.12.79	Art.113	Agreement on trade in coir products
	retroactive to 1.1.75	to 31.12.77	Art.113	Agreement on trade in textiles
	1.7.68	Unlimited	Art.113	Agreement on silk fabrics and handloom-woven cotton fabrics (1)
	1.9.69	Unlimited	Art.113	Agreement on trade in handicraft products.
Pakistan	1.7.76	five years (renewable)	Art.113	Non-preferential trade cooperation agreement
	retroactive to 1.1.75	to 31.12.77	Art.113	Agreement on trade in textiles.
	exchange of letters of 13.5.70	Unlimited	Art.113	Agreement on trade in silk fabrics and handloom woven cotton fabrics(1)
	1.9.69	Unlimited	Art.113	Agreement on trade in handicraft products.(1).
Sri Lanka	1.12.75	five years (renewable)	Art.113	Non-preferential trade cooperation agreement.
	October 1974	Unlimited	Art.113	Exchange of letters on trade in coir products
	1.6.75	Unlimited	Art.113	Agreement on trade in silk fabrics and handloom woven cotton fabrics(1)
	1.9.71	Unlimited	Art.113	Agreement on trade in handicraft products.(1).

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TRADE AGREEMENTS WITH ASIAN COUNTRIES(contd)

Countries with which cooperation agreements have been signed

	Date effective	Duration	Legal basis (Treaty of Rome)	Notes
Iran (*)	1.9.71	Unlimited	Art.113	Economic and commercial cooperation agreement in course of negotiation. Agreement on trade in handicraft products.(1).
South Korea (*)	retroactive to 1.1.76	to 31.12.77	Art.113	Agreement on trade in textiles.
Hong Kong (*)	1.6.76 retroactive to 18.7.75	to 31.12.77	Art.113	Agreement on trade in textiles.
Indonesia	1.9.71	Unlimited	Art.113	Agreement on trade in handicraft products.(1).
Japan (*)	1.8.76 retroactive to 1.1.75	to 31.12.77	Art.113	Agreement on trade in textiles.
Laos	1.6.75 1.6.75	Unlimited Unlimited	Art.113 Art.113	Agreement on trade in silk fabrics and handloom-woven cotton fabrics(1) Agreement on trade in handicraft products (1)
Macao (*)	retroactive to 1.10.75	to 31.12.77	Art.113	Agreement on trade in textiles.
Malaysia (*)	retroactive to 1.11.75	to 31.12.77	Art.113	Agreement on trade in textiles.
Philippines	1.9.71	Unlimited	Art.113	Agreement on trade in handicraft products (1)
Singapore (*)	retroactive to 1.1.75	to 31.12.77	Art.113	Agreement on trade in textiles.
Thailand	1.1.75 1.1.73 1.9.71	Unlimited Unlimited Unlimited	Art.113 Art.113 Art.113	Exchange of letters on trade in jute products. Agreement on trade in silk fabrics and handloom-woven cotton fabrics(1) Agreement on trade in handicraft products (1).

(1) The annual independent quota was doubled by regulation of 28.12.73.

TRADE AGREEMENTS WITH AMERICAN COUNTRIES

	Date effective	Duration	Legal basis (Treaty of Rome)	Notes
Argentina	1.1.72	three years (renewable)	Art.113	Non-preferential trade agreement -- annual renewal by exchange of letters.
Brazil (*)	1.8.74 retroactive to 1.1.76	three years to 31.12.77	Art.113 Art.113	Non-preferential trade agreement Agreement on trade in textiles
Canada	1.10.76	Unlimited	Art.113	Non-preferential framework agreement for economic and commercial co-operation.
Colombia (*)	retroactive to 1.1.76	to 31.12.77	Art.113	Agreement on trade in textiles
Mexico	1.11.75	five years	Art.113	Non-preferential agreement on economic and commercial cooperation.
Uruguay	1.8.74	three years	Art.113	Non-preferential trade agreement