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Proposal for a

COUNCIL REGULATION (EC)

**temporarily suspending the autonomous Common Customs Tariff
duties on certain industrial products (in the chemical and
allied sectors)**

(presented by the Commission)

EXPLANATORY MEMORANDUM

1. In the third quarter of this year, the Commission, with the assistance of the Economic Tariff Questions Group, examined all requests, submitted by Member States, for temporary suspension of common customs tariff duties, including the requests for prolongation of the suspensions currently in force.

The attached proposal concerns a number of industrial products in the chemical and allied sectors.

2. The proposals for Regulations temporarily suspending the autonomous common customs tariff duties on fishery products and on other industrial products, are also in preparation.
3. Requests for suspension relating to the above products were examined in the light of the criteria defined in the Commission communication to the Council and the Member States, concerning autonomous tariff suspensions (cf. O.J. no. C 235 of 13.9.89, p. 2).

As a result of this examination, the Commission deems it justifiable to suspend the duty on those products listed in the Annex to the attached proposal for a Regulation.

4. As stated in Article 1 of the aforementioned proposal for a Regulation, the proposed period of validity is 6 months.

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THE COUNCIL OF THE EUROPEAN UNION,

Having regard to the Treaty establishing the European Community, and in particular Article 28 thereof,

Having regard to the proposal from the Commission,

Whereas production of the products referred to in this Regulation is at present inadequate or non-existent within the Community and producers are thus unable to meet the needs of user industries in the Community;

Whereas it is in the Community's interest in certain cases to suspend the autonomous Common Customs Tariff duties only partially, particularly because of the existence of Community production, and in other cases to suspend them completely;

Whereas the decision for the suspension of these autonomous duties should be taken by the Community;

Whereas, taking account of the difficulties involved in accurately assessing the development of the economic situation in the sectors concerned in the near future, these suspension measures should be taken only temporarily, by fixing their period of validity by reference to the interests of Community production,

HAS ADOPTED THIS REGULATION:

Article 1

The autonomous Common Customs Tariff duties for the products listed in the Annex shall be suspended at the level indicated in respect of each of them.

These suspensions shall apply from 1 January to 30 June 1996.

Article 2

This Regulation shall enter into force on 1 January 1996.

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

Done at , 1995.

For the Council

The President

CN code	TARIC	Description	Rate of autonomous duty (%)
1 ex28053010	*20	Alloy of lanthanum and other rare earth metals, containing by weight 43% or more of lanthanum	0
2 ex28230000	*10	Titanium dioxide, of a purity by weight of 99,9% or more, with an average grain size of 1,2 micrometres or more but not exceeding 1,8 micrometres, for the manufacture of goods of heading No8532 or 8533 (a)	0
3 ex28269090	*10	Potassium hexafluorophosphate	0
4 ex28399000	*10	Lead silicate hydrate, of a lead content by weight of 84,5% ($\pm 1,5\%$), evaluated as lead monoxide, in the form of powder	0
5 ex28439090	*20	Palladium monoxide	0
7 ex29095090	*10	4-(2-Methoxyethyl)phenol	0
8 ex29147090	*20	21-Chloro-9 β ,11 β -epoxy-17-hydroxy-16 α -methylpregna-1,4-diene-3,20-dione	0
9 ex29171300	*10	Sebacic acid	0
10 ex29172000	*30	1,4,5,6,7,7-Hexachloro-8,9,10-trinorborn-5-ene-2,3-dicarboxylic anhydride	0
11 ex29173990	*35	Dimethyl naphthalene-2,6-dicarboxylate	0
12 ex29181700	*10	Phenylglycolic acid (mandelic acid)	0
15 ex29201000	*10	Fenitrothion (ISO)	0
16 29209030		Trimethyl phosphite	0
19 ex29214210	*10	2,6-Dichloro-4-nitroaniline	0
20 ex29214210	*20	2-Bromo-4,6-dinitroaniline	0
21 ex29214210	*30	4-Aminobenzene-1,3-disulphonic acid and its salts	0
22 ex29215110	*10	<i>m</i> -Phenylenediamine, of a purity by weight of 99% or more and containing: - 1% or less by weight of water, - 200 μ g/kg or less of <i>o</i> -phenylenediamine and - 450 μ g/kg or less of <i>p</i> -phenylenediamine	0
23 ex29215900	*60	Mixture of isomers of 3,5-diethyltoluenediamine	0
28 ex29221900	*55	4,4-Dimethoxybutylamine	0
24 ex29222100	*10	2-Amino-5-hydroxynaphthalene-1,7-disulphonic acid and its salts, of a purity by weight of 60% or more	0
25 ex29222900	*30	4-Amino-5-methoxy-2-methylbenzenesulphonic acid	0
26 ex29222900	*40	2-Amino-4- <i>tert</i> -pentyl-6-nitrophenol	0
27 ex29223000	*10	1-Amino-4-bromo-9,10-dioxoanthracene-2-sulphonic acid and its salts	0
29 ex29239000	*10	Tetramethylammonium hydroxide, in the form of an aqueous solution containing: - 25% ($\pm 0,1\%$) by weight of tetramethylammonium hydroxide, - 5 μ g/kg or less of halide, - 10 micrograms/kg or less of sodium, - 10 micrograms/kg or less of calcium, - 10 micrograms/kg or less of iron and - 10 micrograms/kg or less of zinc	0
30 ex29242990	*50	3'-Diethylamino-4'-methoxyacetanilide	0
31 ex29242990	*60	5-[<i>N</i> -(2-Acetoxyethyl)acetoxyacetamido]- <i>N,N'</i> -bis(2,3-diacetoxypropyl)-2,4,6-triiodoisophthalamide	0

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32 ex29269090	*65	2-Amino-5-nitrobenzonitrile	0
34 ex29309095	*17	3,3'-Thiodi(propionic acid)	0
35 29310010		Dimethyl methylphosphonate	0
36 ex29310080	*70	N-(Phosphonomethyl)iminodiacetic acid	0
38 ex29332100		3'-[4,4-Dimethyl-2-(4,4-dimethyl-2,5-dioximidazolin-1-yl)-3-oxovalerylamino]-4'-methoxystearylanilide	0
40 ex29336990	*40	Cyanazine (ISO)	0
42 ex29341000	*20	2-(4-Methylthiazol-5-yl)ethanol	0
44 ex29349099	*38	4-[4-(Tridecyl[branched]oxy)phenyl]-1,4-thiazinane 1,1-dioxide	0
45 ex29350000	*45	Mixture of isomers consisting of N-ethyltoluene-2-sulphonamide and N-ethyltoluene-4-sulphonamide	0
46 ex32041500	*30	Dye C.I. Vat Red 74	0
47 ex32041700	*10	Dye C.I. Pigment Yellow 81	0
48 33011210		Essential oil of orange, not deterpenated	0
52 ex35079000	*65	Asparaginase	0
54 ex38151200	*20	Catalyst consisting of palladium and rhenium, fixed on a support of active carbon, in the form of powder, containing: - 0,5% or more but not more than 1,5% by weight of palladium, - 3% or more but not more than 5% by weight of rhenium and - 0,1 mole% or more but not more than 1 mole% of alkaline metals, for use in the manufacture of tetrahydrofuran (a)	0
55 ex38151900	*16	Catalyst consisting of dichromium trioxide, fixed on a support of aluminium oxide	0
57 ex38180010	*10	Silicon discs, with phosphorus diffused into one side, of a thickness not exceeding 310 micrometres, for use in the manufacture of semiconductor devices of heading No8541 (a)	0
59 ex38249090	*03	Grains, consisting of a mixture of dialuminium trioxide and zirconium dioxide, containing by weight: - 70% or more but not more than 78% of dialuminium trioxide and - 19% or more but not more than 26% of zirconium dioxide	5.2
6 ex38249090	*35	Preparation consisting predominantly of ethylene glycol and N,N-dimethylformamide or ethylene glycol and γ -butyrolactone, for the manufacture of electrolytic capacitors (a)	0
37 ex38249090	*36	Preparation consisting predominantly of γ -butyrolactone and quaternary ammonium salts, for the manufacture of electrolytic capacitors (a)	0
49 ex38249090	*37	2,4,7,9-Tetramethyldec-5-yn-4,7-diol, hydroxyethylated	0
58 ex38249090	*38	Copper zinc ferrite, in the form of granules of a size not exceeding 120 micrometres, coated with a silicone resin	0
61bis ex38249090	*39	Styrene oligomer	0
72 ex38249090	*41	Preparation consisting of ω -(4-allyloxycarbonylbenzoyl)- ω -allyloxypoly[oxy(2-methylethylene)oxyterephthaloyl] and either diallyl-2,2'-oxydiethyl dicarbonate or diallyl isophthalate	0

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60 ex39019000	*97	Copolymer of ethylene, vinyl acetate and carbon monoxide, for use as a plasticizer in the manufacture of roof sheets (a)	0
61 ex39031900	*20	Polystyrene of a molecular weight not exceeding 5000	0
63 ex39039000 ex39119000	*80 *89	Copolymer of α -methylstyrene and styrene, having a softening point exceeding 113°C	0
65 ex39046100	*20	Mixture of polytetrafluoroethylene and mica, in one of the forms mentioned in note 6 (b) to Chapter 39	0
68 ex39059900	*94	Polyvinyl acetate phthalate	0
69 ex39069000	*70	Polymerization product of acrylic acid with small quantities of a polyunsaturated monomer, for the manufacture of medicaments of heading No 3003 or 3004 (a)	0
70 ex39069000	*80	Polymerization product of acrylic acid with small quantities of a polyunsaturated monomer, for use as a stabilizer in emulsions or dispersions with a pH of more than 13 (a)	6
71 ex39073000	*20	Epoxyde resin in the form of powder, containing by weight 44% or more but not more than 55% of quartz and 0,5% or more but not more than 1% of diantimony trioxide, for the coating of film capacitors (a)	0
75 ex39119090	*87	Copolymer of vinyltoluene and α -methylstyrene	0
76 ex39119090	*88	Hydrogenated copolymers of vinyltoluene and α -methylstyrene	0
73 ex39119090	*89	Copolymer of dibutyl maleate and <i>N</i> -vinyl-2-pyrrolidone, in one of the forms mentioned in note 6 (a) of Chapter 39	0
119 ex39199010	*10	Shaped sheet of plastic, with an adhesive layer containing polyisobutylene and pectin, for the manufacture of colostomy bags (a)	0
77 ex39199031 ex39206900	*10 *80	Reflecting laminated sheeting, metallized, not containing glass balls or pyramidal patterns, consisting of one sheet of polyester and at least another sheet of polyester or other plastic material and coated on one side with an adhesive, whether or not protected by a release sheet, in rolls, each roll of a width of 150cm or more and a gross weight of 75kg or more	0
78 ex39199031 ex39206210 ex39206290 ex39206300 ex39206900	*40 *40 *20 *30 *30	Reflecting polyester sheeting embossed in a regular pyramidal pattern, for the manufacture of safety slickers and badges, safety clothing and accessories thereof, or of school satchels, bags or similar containers (a)	0
80 ex39199061 ex39199069	*92 *92	Polyvinyl chloride sheeting, of a thickness of less than 1mm, coated with an adhesive in which are embedded glass balls of a diameter not exceeding 100 micrometres	0
79 ex39199061 ex39199069	*93 *93	Adhesive film consisting of a base of a copolymer of ethylene and vinyl acetate (EVA) of a thickness of 120 micrometres or more and an adhesive part of acrylic type of a thickness of 10 micrometres or more, for the protection of the surface of silicon discs (a)	0
82 ex39205100	*10	Polyethyl methacrylate plate, with an antistatic coating, of dimensions of 738x972mm (\pm 1,5mm)	0
85 ex39206210	*10	Polyethylene terephthalate film, of a thickness of less than 11 micrometres, for the manufacture of digital audio cassettes (a)	0
86 ex39206210	*20	Polyethylene terephthalate film, not coated with an adhesive, of a thickness not exceeding 25 micrometres, either: - only dyed in the mass, or - dyed in the mass and metallized on one side	0

CN code	TARIC	Description	Rate of autonomous duty (%)
83 ex39206210	*45	Film of polyethylene terephthalate only, of a total thickness not exceeding 120 micrometres, consisting of one or two layers each containing a colouring and/or UV-absorbing material throughout the mass, uncoated with an adhesive or any other material	0
87 ex39206210	*50	Polyethylene terephthalate film, of a thickness of 20 micrometres or more but not exceeding 30 micrometres, coated on one side with silicone, for use in the manufacture of window film (a)	5.6
89 ex39206210	*55	Laminated film of polyethylene terephthalate only, of a total thickness not exceeding 120 micrometres, consisting of one layer which is metallised only and one or two layers each containing a colouring and/or UV-absorbing material throughout the mass, uncoated with an adhesive or any other material	0
90 ex39206210	*65	Single ply film of polyethylene terephthalate only, of a thickness not exceeding 120 micrometres, which only: - contains a colouring and/or UV-absorbing material throughout the mass and - is metallised on one side, whether or not coated on one or both sides with a vinyl acrylate polymer but having no other coating or adhesive	0
81 ex39211990	*91	Microporous polypropylene film of a thickness not exceeding 30 micrometres	0
92 ex40169988	*10	Soft rubber sealing stoppers for the manufacture of electrolytic capacitors (a)	0
94 ex48056090	*10	Overlay paper, of a width of more than 205cm and an abrasion resistance of at least 6000 rpm (as determined by the EN 438-2:1991 method)	0
96 ex48113900	*10	Kraft paper impregnated with an acrylic polymer with a nominal weight of 85g/m ²	0
98 ex54023310 ex54023390	*10 *10	Textured yarn of polyester, single or two ply, measuring per single yarn 120 decitex and consisting of 36 filaments or measuring per single yarn 167 decitex and consisting of 48 filaments each having a random variation of diameter along its length	0
99 ex54023390	*20	Textured yarn of polyester, measuring per single yarn 167 decitex and consisting of 60 filaments or measuring per single yarn 334 decitex and consisting of 78 filaments, having filaments both of polyethylene terephthalate and of a polyethylene terephthalate which has been chemically modified to allow it to be dyeable with cationic dyestuffs	0
100 ex59119090	*40	Acrylic fibre rods, having a length of not more than 50cm, for the manufacture of pen tips (a)	0
101 ex69039080 ex69091900	*10 *40	Beryllium oxide, of a purity by weight of more than 99%, in the form of blanks, bars, blocks or plates	0
102 ex70111090	*10	Glass lenses with a stippled front refractor or with a front refractor composed of prismatic elements, with an external diameter of more than 121mm but not exceeding 125mm	0
103 ex70111090	*20	Parabolic glass reflectors, with an external diameter of more than 121mm but not exceeding 125mm	0
104 ex70112000	*40	Glass face-plate: - with a diagonal measurement of 366,4mm (±1,5mm) and of dimensions of 246,4x315,4mm (±1,5mm), - with a diagonal measurement of 391mm (±1,5mm) and of dimensions of 261,4x326,8mm (±1,5mm), - with a diagonal measurement of 442mm (±1,5mm) and of dimensions of 293,4x369,2mm (±1,5mm), - with a diagonal measurement of 513,5mm (±1,6mm) and of dimensions of 341,8x440,5mm (±1,6mm), - with a diagonal measurement of 544,5mm (±1,6mm) and of dimensions of 358x454mm (±1,6mm), - with a diagonal measurement of 629,8mm (±3mm) and of dimensions of 406,5x519mm (±2mm), - with a diagonal measurement of 639,3mm (±3mm) and of dimensions of 413,6x527mm (±2mm)	

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		or - with a diagonal measurement of 838,2mm (±1,5mm) and of dimensions of 549,9x695,6mm (±1,5mm), and with a raised edge, for the manufacture of colour cathode-ray tubes (a)	0
105 ex70112000	800	Glass cone: - with a diagonal measurement of 365,0mm (±1,5mm) and of dimensions of 243,2x312,8mm (±1,5mm), - with a diagonal measurement of 389,6mm (±1,5mm) and of dimensions of 258,5x324,5mm (±1,5mm) or - with a diagonal measurement of 439,0mm (±1,5mm) and of dimensions of 290x366,6mm (±1,5mm)	0
107 ex70193200 ex70193910 ex70193990	810 810 810	Non-woven product of non-textile glass fibre, for the manufacture of air-filters or of air-filtration products (a)	0
114 ex81129930	820	<u>Tube of an alloy of niobium with zirconium, containing by weight 99% of niobium and 1% of zirconium</u>	0
115 ex84189990	891	Welded cooling micro-elements, of <u>an alloy of aluminium</u> , for the manufacture of condensers (a)	0
117 ex84219900	895	Parts of equipment for the filtration of magnetic dispersions, consisting essentially of nylon-6 fibres, enclosed in a plastic casing of <u>a diameter of 70mm (±2mm) and a length of 520mm (±5mm)</u>	0

(a) Control of the use for this special purpose shall be carried out pursuant to the relevant Community provisions.

FINANCIAL RECORD

1. Budget heading involved: Chap. 12, Article 120.

2. Title of operation: Proposal for a Council Regulation temporarily suspending the autonomous Common Customs Tariff duties on certain industrial products (in the chemical and allied sectors).

3. Legal basis: Article 28 of the EC Treaty.

4. Objective of operation: Suspension of CCT duties for the above-mentioned products.

5. Cost of the measure:
 - to be borne by the EC budget (in uncollected customs duties-UCD):

The cost is difficult to estimate in advance, mainly because of the lack of recent Community statistics coupled with the arrival of the three new Member States for whom full economic data are not available.

On the basis of :

- latest available Eurostat statistics (year 1993)
- Member States' declarations on use of suspensions
- number of new or renewed suspensions (88)
- reductions in customs duties as a result of the GATT agreement
- the period of validity of the Regulation (1.1.96 / 30.6.96)
- new Member States' declarations in respect of new applications

the best estimate of UCD for 1996 would be 280 MECU. This measure would account for 1/4 of that sum (there are also two other regulations applicable for 1996).

Estimated cost of this measure (1.1.96 / 30.6.96):

70 000 000 ECU

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