Report
drawn up on behalf of the Committee on External Economic Relations
on the proposal from the Commission of the European Communities to the
Council (Doc. 322/74) for a regulation on the opening of a tariff quota for new
potatoes falling within subheading No. 07.01 A II of the Common Customs Tariff
for 1975 originating in Cyprus

Rapporteur: Mr C. de la MALÈNE
By letter of 25 October 1974 the President of the Council of the European Communities requested the European Parliament, pursuant to Article 43 of the Treaty, to deliver an opinion on the proposal from the Commission of the European Communities to the Council for a regulation on the opening of a tariff quota for new potatoes falling with subheading No. 07.01 A II of the Common Customs Tariff for 1975 originating in Cyprus.

On 30 October 1974 the President of the European Parliament referred this proposal to the Committee on External Economic Relations as the committee responsible and to the Committee on Agriculture for its opinion.

On 5 November 1974 the Committee on External Economic Relations appointed Mr de la Malène rapporteur and at the same meeting considered and unanimously adopted the motion for a resolution and the accompanying explanatory statement.

Present: Mr de la Malène, chairman and rapporteur; Mr Boano and Mr Thomsen, vice-chairmen; Mr Baas, Mr Brégégère, Mr Cousté, Mr D'Angelosante, Mr de Clercq, Mr Dunne, Mr Kaspereit, Mr de Koning, Mr Lange, Mr Maigaard, Mr Pintat, Mr Radoux, Mr Rivierez, Lord St. Oswald and Mr Sandri.
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The Committee on External Economic Relations hereby submits to the European Parliament the following motion for a resolution, together with explanatory statement:

**MOTION FOR A RESOLUTION**

embodying the opinion of the European Parliament on the proposal from the Commission of the European Communities to the Council for a regulation on the opening of a tariff quota for new potatoes falling within subheading No.07.01 A II of the Common Customs Tariff for 1975 originating in Cyprus

The European Parliament
- having regard to the proposal from the Commission of the European Communities to the Council (Doc. COM(74) 1641/fin.),
- having been consulted by the Council pursuant to Art. 43 of the EEC Treaty (Doc. 322/74),
- having regard to the report of the Committee on External Economic Relations (Doc. 346/74),
1. Approves the Commission's proposal for a regulation;
2. Instructs its President to forward this resolution and the report of its committee to the Council and Commission of the European Communities.
EXPLANATORY STATEMENT

1. Under the terms of the agreement establishing an association between the European Economic Community and the Republic of Cyprus, in conjunction with the Protocol laying down certain provisions with respect thereto by reason of the accession of new Member States to the Community, Cyprus is to be entitled from 1 January 1974 to 30 June 1977 to annual duty-free quotas for the importation into Britain of new potatoes (sub-heading 07.01 A II of the Common Customs Tariff) originating in Cyprus, the annual amount of the quota to take account of traditional imports by Britain originating in Cyprus.

2. On the basis of the statistics to hand on British imports of the products concerned, the quota for 1975 can be fixed at 110,000 long tons.

This quota should accordingly be opened on the terms indicated above. This is the purpose of the annexed proposal.