

COMMISSION OF THE EUROPEAN COMMUNITIES

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Proposal for a
COUNCIL REGULATION (EEC)

concerning the import system applicable to certain non-member countries
in the sheepmeat and goatmeat sector in 1981

(submitted to the Council by the Commission)

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EXPLANATORY MEMORANDUM

1. The Commission having received its negotiating brief from the Council on 20 December 1979, voluntary restraint agreements with Argentina, Australia, New Zealand and Uruguay on the export of sheepmeat and goatmeat came into force on 20 October 1980, as did Regulation (EEC) No 1837/80 on the common organisation of the market in sheepmeat and goatmeat.

Similar agreements with Austria, Iceland, Poland, Rumania and Yugoslavia are due to be approved by the Council.

Bulgaria, Hungary and Czechoslovakia have undertaken autonomously to limit their exports to the quantities negotiated with the Commission, pending the conclusion of definitive voluntary restraint agreements.

2. As regards the few non-member countries which export sheepmeat and goatmeat but have not yet been able to give any undertaking on voluntary restraint, the Commission considers that they should nevertheless be allowed to export certain quantities of the products concerned to the Community in 1981, on terms similar to those applicable to the non-member countries mentioned in 1 above.
3. The purpose of the Commission proposal is, consequently, to limit the levy collected on, and the issue of import licences for, certain sheepmeat and goatmeat products from non-member countries other than those mentioned in 1. above.

4. The non-member countries, the quantities* and the products concerned are as follows:

	Live	Fresh or chilled	Frozen
	animals	meat	meat
Chile	0	0	500
Spain	0	500	0
Others (excluding countries mentioned in 1. above)	100	100	100

* expressed in tonnes of carcase equivalent

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THE COUNCIL OF THE EUROPEAN COMMUNITIES,

Having regard to the Treaty establishing the European Economic Community,
and in particular Article 43 thereof,

Having regard to the proposal from the Commission,

Having regard to the Opinion of the European Parliament,¹

Whereas Council Regulation (EEC) No 1837/80 of 27 June 1980 on the common
organization of the market in sheepmeat and goatmeat² established a system
of trade with non-member countries in this sector; whereas this system
includes the collection of an import levy;

Whereas the Community has concluded or is in the process of concluding
voluntary restraint agreements with the great majority of the non-member
countries exporting sheepmeat and goatmeat products;

Whereas, pending the conclusion of agreements with the other non-member
countries which traditionally export to the Community, it would seem
appropriate to restrict in 1981 the collection of the levy and the issue of
import licences in respect of certain products from these countries,

HAS ADOPTED THIS REGULATION:

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1 OJ No C

2 OJ No L 183, 16.7.1980, p.1

Article 1

The import levy applicable to the following products shall be limited to a maximum of 10 % ad valorem subject to quantitative limits expressed in tonnes of carcase equivalent per non-member country concerned and per category :

Heading number	Description	Non-member country concerned and quantity		
		Chile	Spain	Other non-member countries (a)
01.04	Live sheep and goats : B. other (b)	0	0	100
02.01	Meat and edible offal of the animals falling within heading No 01.01, 01.02, 01.03 or 01.04, fresh, chilled or frozen : A. Meat : IV. of sheep or goats : a) fresh or chilled b) frozen	0 500	500 0	100 100
<p>(a) Excluding Argentina, Australia, Austria, Bulgaria, Czechoslovakia, Hungary, Iceland, New Zealand, Poland, Romania, Uruguay and Yugoslavia.</p> <p>(b) The coefficient to be employed for converting net mass (live weight) into carcase mass (carcase weight equivalent) shall be 0.47 for products falling within subheading 01.04 B of the Common Customs Tariff.</p>				

Article 2

For the products and non-member countries specified in Article 1, the import licences provided for in Article 16 of Council Regulation (EEC) No 1837/80 shall be issued in 1981 subject to the quantitative limits laid down in Article 1.

Article 3

The detailed rules for implementing this Regulation shall be drawn up in accordance with the procedure laid down in Article 26 of Regulation (EEC) No 1837/80.

Article 4

This Regulation shall enter into force on . It shall apply until voluntary restraint agreements with the non-member countries concerned are implemented or until 31 December 1981, whichever is the sooner.

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

Done at

For the Council
The President

FINANCIAL STATEMENT

VT/5903/80-EN

DATE : 19 December 1980

1. BUDGET LINE CONCERNED : 100

2. ACTION : Limitation of imports from Chile, Yugoslavia, Spain and elsewhere in the sheepmeat and goatmeat sector, together with limitation of the import charge to a maximum of 10% ad valorem in the case of live animals and fresh or refrigerated meat.

3. LEGAL BASIS : Article 43

4. OBJECTIVES : Limitation of the levies collected to a maximum of 10% ad valorem in the case of products covered by Regulation 1837/80 from the countries mentioned in 2. above, imports from these countries being limited to the quantities specified in 5.2 below.

5. FINANCIAL CONSEQUENCE	FOR THE MARKETING YEAR	CURRENT FINANCIAL YEAR (1981)	FOLLOWING FINANCIAL YEAR (1982)
5.0 EXPENDITURE			
-CHARGED TO THE EC BUDGET (REFUNDS/INTERVENTIONS)			
-CHARGED TO NATIONAL ADMINISTR.			
-CHARGED TO OTHER NATIONAL GROUPS			
5.1 RECEIPTS			
-OWN RESOURCES OF THE EC (LEVIES/CUSTOMS DUTIES)		-220.000 ECU	-44.000 ECU
-NATIONAL			

YEAR YEAR YEAR

5.0.1 PLURIANNUAL PATTERN OF EXPENDITURE

5.1.1 PLURIANNUAL PATTERN OF RECEIPTS

Measure limited to 1981

5.2 METHOD OF CALCULATION (Basis: world price for meat and live animals: 2 400 ECU/t
for frozen meat: 1 800 ECU/t

Fresh/frozen meat
Loss of revenue: 10%
off customs duty
applicable until
20.10.1980

Live animals
Loss of revenue: 5% off
customs duty applicable
until 20.10.1980

**See below

6.0 FINANCING POSSIBLE WITH CREDITS INSCRIBED IN RELEVANT CHAPTER OF CURRENT BUDGET ?

YES/NO

6.1 FINANCING POSSIBLE BY TRANSFER BETWEEN CHAPTERS OF CURRENT BUDGET ?

YES/NO

6.2 NECESSITY FOR A SUPPLEMENTARY BUDGET ?

~~YES~~/NO

6.3 CREDITS TO BE WRITTEN INTO FUTURE BUDGETS ?

~~YES~~/NO

COMMENTS :

** Chile 500 t frozen meat -90 000 ECU

Spain 500 t fresh meat -120 000 ECU

Other non- 100 t live animals

member 200 t fresh/ - 42 000 ECU

countries frozen meat -12 000 ECU

*excluding Argentina, Austria, Bulgaria, Hungary, Iceland, New Zealand, Poland, Romania, Czechoslovakia, Uruguay and Yugoslavia.