

# COMMISSION OF THE EUROPEAN COMMUNITIES

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Proposal for a

COUNCIL DECISION

authorizing prolongation or tacit renewal of certain Trade Agreements  
concluded between the Member States and third countries

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(submitted to the Council by the Commission)

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### EXPLANATORY MEMORANDUM

1. In implementation of Article 3 of the Council Decision of 16 December 1969 (1) on the progressive standardization of agreements concerning commercial relations between Member States and third countries and on negotiation of Community agreements, the Commission proposes to the Council that the Member States should be authorized to extend, expressly or tacitly, the trade agreements annexed to the attached proposal for a Council decision. The agreements in question constitute the fourth batch for 1981 and expire or are due to be terminated between 1 November 1981 and 31 January 1982.

The prior consultation specified in Article 2 of this Decision was executed by written procedure. The outcome was the recognition on 21 October 1981 that the conditions under which the agreements could be extended for a further year had been fulfilled.

2. The Commission considers it appropriate to point out, moreover, that the proposals for authorizing the Member States to renew or extend, expressly or tacitly, certain agreements in this batch for a further oneyear period are by no means indicative of any position it might adopt next time these agreements come up for renewal.

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(1) OJ No L 326 of 29.12.1969, p. 39.

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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 Decision 69/494/EEC of 16 December 1969 on the  
progressive standardization of Agreements concerning commercial relations  
between Member States and third countries and on the negotiation of Community  
Agreements (1), and in particular Article 3 thereof,

Having regard to the proposal from the Commission,

Whereas extension or tacit renewal beyond the end of the transitional period  
has already been authorized in the case of the Agreements and Protocols listed  
in the Annex by Council Decision 80/1045/EEC (2);

Whereas the Member States concerned have, with a view to avoiding interruption  
in their commercial relations with the third countries concerned based on  
agreement, requested authorization to prolong or renew the abovementioned  
Agreements;

Whereas, however, most of the areas covered by these national Agreements  
are henceforth the subject of Community Agreements; whereas in this situation  
there should be authorization for the maintenance of national Agreements  
only for those areas not covered by Community Agreements; whereas, in addition,  
such authorization should not, therefore, adversely affect the obligation  
incumbent upon the Member States to avoid and, where appropriate, to eliminate  
any incompatibility between such Agreements and the provisions of Community  
law;

Whereas the provisions of the instruments to be either prolonged or renewed  
should not furthermore, during the period under consideration, constitute  
an obstacle to the implementation of the common commercial policy;

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(1) OJ N° L 326, 29.12.1969, p. 39

(2) OJ N° L 307, 18.11.1980, p. 27

Whereas the Member States concerned have declared that the prolongation or tacit renewal of these Agreements would neither constitute an obstacle to the opening of Community negotiations with the third countries concerned and the transfer of the commercial substance thereof to Community Agreements, nor during the period under consideration, hinder the adoption of the measures necessary to complete the standardization of the import arrangements applied by the various Member States;

Whereas at the conclusion of the consultations provided for in Article 2 of Decision 69/494/EEC it was established, as the aforesaid declarations by the Member States confirm, that the provisions of the Agreements to be prolonged or renewed would not, during the period under consideration, constitute an obstacle to the implementation of the common commercial policy;

Whereas, in these circumstances, the Agreements concerned may be either extended or tacitly renewed for a limited period,

HAS ADOPTED THIS DECISION:

#### Article 1

The Trade Agreements and Protocols between Member States and third countries listed in the Annex hereto may be prolonged or tacitly renewed up to the dates indicated for each of them for those areas not covered by Agreements between the Community and the third countries concerned and in so far as their provisions are not contrary to existing common policies.

#### Article 2

This Decision is addressed to the Member States.

Done at Brussels,

For the Council



Medlemsstat	Tredjeland	Aftalens art og datering	Udløb efter forlængelse eller stiltiende videreførelse
Mitgliedstaat	Drittland	Art und Datum des Abkommens	Ablauf nach Verlängerung oder stillschweigender Verlängerung
Κράτος Μέλος	Τρίτη Χώρα	Φύση και ημερομηνία της συμφωνίας	Ημερομηνία λήξεως κατόπιν της παρατάσεως ή της σιωπηρᾶς ανανεώσεως
Member State	Third country	Type and date of Agreement	Prolonged or tacitly renewed until
Etat membre	Pays tiers	Nature et date de l'accord	Echéance après prorogation ou tacite reconduction
Stato membro	Paese terzo	Natura e data dell'accordo	Scadenza dopo la proroga o il tacito rinnovo
Lid-Staat	Derde land	Aard en datum van het akkoord	Vervaldatum na al dan niet stilzwijgende verlenging

BENELUX	Autriche/ Oostenrijk	Accord commercial/ Handelsakkoord	29. 6.1957	31. 3.1983
	Espagne/ Spanje	Accord commercial/ Handelsakkoord	2. 6.1960	14. 4.1983
	Norvège/ Noorwegen	Accord commercial/ Handelsakkoord	28. 5.1957	30. 4.1983
	Suède/ Zweden	Accord commercial/ Handelsakkoord	27. 4.1957	28. 2.1983
	Suisse/ Zwitserland	Accord commercial/ Handelsakkoord	21. 6.1957	31. 3.1983
		et échange de notes/ en briefwisseling	5. 5.1961	
	Tunisie/ Tunesië	Accord commercial/ Handelsakkoord	1. 8.1958	31. 3.1983
DANMARK	Island	Vareudvekslingsaftale	4. 6.1948	31.12.1982
	Norge	Vareudvekslings- overenskomst og tillægsprotokol hertil	30. 3.1946 2. 8.1966	31.12.1982
	Schweiz	Vareudvekslingsaftale	15. 9.1951	31.12.1982
	Sverige	Vareudvekslings- overenskomst	11. 3.1948	31. 1.1983
DEUTSCHLAND	Indonesien	Handelsabkommen vom	22. 4.1953	31. 3.1983
	Spanien	Handelsabkommen vom	20. 6.1960	30. 4.1983
	Südkorea	Handelsabkommen vom	8. 4.1965	7. 4.1983
GRECE 'Ελλάδα	(Egypte) Αἴγυπτος	(Accord commercial) 'Εμπορικὴ Συμφωνία	1. 1. 1979	1. 1. 1983
	(Maroc) Μαρόκο	" "	1. 11. 1961	1. 11. 1982
	(Turquie) Τουρκία	" "	7. 11. 1953	7. 11. 1982
	(Inde) 'Ινδία	" "	31. 1. 1973	31. 1. 1983
	(Israël) 'Ισραήλ	" "	30. 1. 1969	30. 1. 1983
	(Portugal) Πορτογαλία	" "	31. 12. 1949	31. 12. 1982
	(Norvège) Νορβηγία	" "	1. 1. 1965	1. 1. 1983
	(Pakistan) Πακιστάν	" "	17. 1. 1963	17. 1. 1983
FRANCE	Afrique du Sud (1)	Echange de lettres	18. 4.1964	31.12.1982
	Corée du Sud	Echange de lettres	12. 3.1963	31. 3.1983
	Inde (1)	Accord commercial et échange de lettres	19.10.1959	31.12.1982
	Irak	Accord commercial	25. 9.1967	25. 3.1983
	Liban	Accord commercial	25. 3.1955	10. 4.1983

(1) Prorogation par échange de notes.



IRELAND	Austria	Trade Agreement concluded by exchange of notes	6.10.1950	31.12.1982
	Finland	Trade Agreement	1. 6.1951	31.12.1982
	Iceland	Trade Agreement	2.12.1950	31.12.1982
	Sweden	Trade Agreement	25. 6.1949	31.12.1982
ITALIA	Corea del Sud	Accordo commerciale	9. 3.1965	8. 3.1983
	El Salvador	Accordo commerciale	30. 3.1953	31. 3.1983
		Protocollo addizionale	21.12.1955	
	Indonesia	Accordo commerciale	23. 3.1951	31. 3.1983
	Iran	Scambio di note	29. 1.1958	9. 2.1983
			23. 3.1961	
	Israele	Accordo commerciale	5. 3.1954	31. 3.1983
		Scambio di lettere	5. 1.1956	
		Processi verbali	21.10.1956	
	Iugoslavia	Accordo commerciale Protocollo e scambio di note successivo	11. 2.1964	31.12.1982
			1. 7.1967	
			30. 4.1969	
	Norvegia	Accordo commerciale	20. 5.1953	31. 3.1983
		Protocollo	31. 8.1959	
		Scambio di note	10. 5.1962	
	Repubblica dominicana	Accordo commerciale	18. 2.1954	11. 3.1983
NEDERLAND	Finland	Handelsakkoord	8.12.1956	31. 3.1983

