# COMMISSION OF THE EUROPE NICOMANNITIES

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## PROPOSAL FOR A COUNCIL REGULATION (EEC)

extending the period of application of Council Regulation (EEC) no 438/81 of 20 January 1981 establishing the arrangements applicable to imports originating in Yugoslavia consequent upon the accession of the Hellenic Republic to the European Economic Community

(presented by the Commission to the Council)

#### EXPLANATORY MEMORANDUM

On 16 October 1980 the Commission forwarded proposals to the Council for the opening of negotiations with Yugoslavia to take account of the accession of Greece. 1

Pending directives to the Commission to enter into the negotiations, the Community unilaterally established the arrangements to apply up to 31 March 1981 to imports into Greece of products originating in Yugoslavia.<sup>2</sup>

To avoid a legal vacuum, in the absence of Council negotiating directives with respect to the adjustment protocol itself, the Community now has to extend the unilateral arrangements for three months.<sup>2</sup>

As concerns the main point at issue, baby beef, the Commission suggests extending the arrangements for a further three months from 31 March 1981, but with an additional provision to the effect that between 1 April and 30 June 1981 Yugoslavia may also export the amounts not taken up in the first quarter of the year, which will accordingly be treated as the balance of the volume allotted her under the unilateral arrangements.<sup>2</sup>

The Commission considers that by this means, without prejudice to future negotiating positions on the adjustment protocol,

- (i) Yugoslavia will not suffer by the fact that the unilateral arrangements for the first quarter of 1981 actually applied only from 28 February, and
- (ii) allowance will this be made for the fact that trade in the first quarter did not proceed normally.

 $<sup>^{1}</sup>$ COM(80)857.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup>OJ L 53, 27.2.81: Council Regulation (EEC) No 438/81.

#### Proposal for a

Council regulation extending the period of application of Council regulation (EEC) no 438/81 of 20 January 1981 establishing the arrangements applicable to imports originating in Yugoslavia consequent upon the accession of the Hellenic Republic to the European Economic Community

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 the proposal from the Commission,

WHEREAS a Protocol hereinafter called the "Protocol", to the Interim Agreement between the European Economic Community and the Socialist Federal Republic of Yugoslavia, shall be concluded to take account of the accession of the Hellenic Republic,

Whereas, pending the conclusion of this protocol the Community has taken autonomous measures by Regulation (EEC) no 438/81 expiring on 31 March 1981,

WHEREAS, it is necessary to extend the period of application of this Regulation and to complete it,

HAS ADOPTED THIS REGULATION:

### Article 1

In the first paragraph of Article 1 of Regulation (EEC)  $n^{\circ}$  438/81, 31 March 1981 is replaced by 30 June 1981.

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The second paragraph of Article 1 of Regulation (EEC) no 438/81, shall be completed by the following provisions:

"Yugoslavia can also use any part of the volume of imports into the Community not taken up by 31 March 1981"

## Article 2

This Regulation shall enter into force on the day following its publication in the Official Journal of the European Communities.

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

Done at Brussels,

For the Council,
The President

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