

COMMISSION OF THE EUROPEAN COMMUNITIES

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Proposal for a

COUNCIL REGULATION (EEC)

revising the amounts for the documentary requirements in Protocol 1 concerning the definition of the concept of "originating products" and methods of administrative cooperation to the Second ACP-EEC Convention

Recommendation for a

COUNCIL DECISION

revising the amounts for the documentary requirements in Annex II concerning the definition of the concept of "originating products" and methods of administrative cooperation to Decision 80/1186/EEC on the association of the overseas countries and territories within the European Economic Community

(submitted to the Council by the Commission)

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EXPLANATORY NOTE

In Articles 6 and 16 of Protocol No. 1 concerning the definition of the concept of "originating products" and methods of administrative cooperation to the second ACP-EEC Convention, the amounts for determining when forms EUR.2 may be used instead of movement certificates EUR.1 or when no documentary evidence or origin is required respectively are laid down.

The base date taken for determining the equivalent value of the amounts concerned in the **national** currencies of the Member States is automatically changed every two years and this equivalent value will next be fixed on the basis of the value taken on 1st October 1982 in accordance with the provisions of Protocol No. 1.

As the equivalent values of these amounts in some of the national currencies on the 1st October 1982 are reduced compared to their value on the 1st October 1980 the actual value limits in the national currencies concerned corresponding to the amounts laid down in Article 6 and Article 16 of Protocol No. 1 are accordingly also reduced. Furthermore, the real value of these amounts tends to decrease over time. This decrease in the real value means that the administrative savings involved in using simplified documentation of origin status becomes relatively less as time goes on.

Article 6 of Protocol No. 1 provides that a reduction of the value of the limits as expressed in the currency of any Member State should be avoided. For the reason given above it is also desirable to take account of the drop in real value of the amounts in Article 6 and Article 16 of Protocol No. 1

Therefore it is necessary to increase the amounts concerned accordingly.

Proposal for a
COUNCIL REGULATION (EEC)

revising the amounts for the documentary requirements in Protocol 1 concerning the definition of the concept of "originating products" and methods of administrative cooperation to the Second ACP-EEC Convention

THE COUNCIL OF THE EUROPEAN COMMUNITIES,

Having regard to the Treaty establishing the European Economic Community,

Having regard to Protocol 1 concerning the definition of the concept of "originating products" and methods of administrative cooperation¹ to the Second ACP-EEC Convention, and in particular Article 6 thereof,

Having regard to the proposal from the Commission,

Whereas Article 6(1)(d) of Protocol 1 provides that the Community may where necessary revise the amounts for determining when forms EUR.2 may be used instead of movement certificates EUR.1 or when no documentary evidence of origin is required as laid down in Article 16 of the said Protocol; whereas the amounts in question were most recently revised by Council Regulation (EEC) No 2821/81²;

Whereas as a consequence of the automatic change of the base date from 1 October 1980 to 1 October 1982 provided for in the second sentence of Article 6(1)(c) of the Protocol, the effective value of the limits expressed in the national currencies concerned, which correspond to the

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¹OJ No L 347, 22.12.1980, p. 73

²OJ No L 277, 1.10.1981, p. 3

amounts laid down in Article 6 and Article 16 of the Protocol, would be reduced; whereas in order to offset such a reduction it is necessary to increase these amounts,

HAS ADOPTED THIS REGULATION :

Article 1

The amount laid down in Article 6(1)(b) of Protocol 1 to the Second ACP-EEC Convention is hereby increased to 2,000 ECU.

The amounts laid down in Article 16(2) of the said Protocol 1 are hereby increased to 140 ECU and 400 ECU respectively.

Article 2

Regulation (EEC) No 2821/81 is hereby repealed.

Article 3

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

It shall apply from 1 May 1983.

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

Done at Brussels

For the Council
The President

EXPLANATORY NOTE

In Articles 6 and 16 of Annex II concerning the definition of the concept of "originating products" and methods of administrative cooperation to Decision 80/1186/EEC on the Association of Overseas Countries and Territories with the European Economic Community, the amounts for determining when forms EUR.2 may be used instead of movement certificates EUR.1 or when no documentary evidence of origin is required respectively are laid down.

The base date taken for determining the equivalent value of the amounts concerned in the national currencies of the Member States is automatically changed every two years and this equivalent value will next be fixed on the basis of the value taken on 1st October 1982 in accordance with the provisions of Annex II.

As the equivalent values of these amounts in some of the national currencies on 1st October 1982 are reduced compared to their value on the 1st October 1980 the actual value limits in the national currencies concerned corresponding to the amounts laid down in Article 6 and Article 16 of Annex II are accordingly also reduced. Furthermore, the real value of these amounts tends to decrease over time. This decrease in the real value means that the administrative savings involved in using simplified documentation of origin status becomes relatively less as time goes on.

Article 6 of Annex II provides that a reduction of the value of the limits as expressed in the currency of any Member State should be avoided. For the reason given above it is also desirable to take account of the drop in real value of the amounts in Article 6 and Article 16 of Annex II.

Therefore it is necessary to increase the amounts concerned accordingly.

Recommendation for a

COUNCIL DECISION

revising the amounts for the documentary requirements in Annex II concerning the definition of the concept of "originating products" and methods of administrative cooperation to Decision 80/1186/EEC on the association of the overseas countries and territories within the European Economic Community

THE COUNCIL OF THE EUROPEAN COMMUNITIES,

Having regard to the Treaty establishing the European Economic Community,

Having regard to Council Decision 80/1186/EEC of 16 December 1980 on the association of the overseas countries and territories with the European Economic Community¹, and in particular Article 11(2) thereof,

Having regard to the recommendation from the Commission,

Whereas Article 6 of Annex II to Decision 80/1186/EEC provides that the Community may, where necessary, revise the amounts for determining when forms EUR.2 may be used instead of movement certificates EUR.1 or when no documentary evidence of origin is required as laid down in Article 16 of that Annex; whereas the amounts in question were most recently revised by Council Decision 81/880/EEC²;

Whereas as a consequence of the automatic change of the base date from 1 October 1980 to 1 October 1982 provided for in the said Annex II, the effective value of the limits expressed in the national currencies concerned,

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¹OJ No L 361, 31.12.1980, p. 1

²OJ No L 326, 13.11.1981, p. 31

which correspond to the amounts laid down in Article 6 and Article 16 of the said Annex, would be reduced; whereas in order to offset such a reduction it is necessary to increase the amounts in question;

HAS DECIDED AS FOLLOWS :

Article 1

The amount laid down in Article 6(1)(b) of Annex II to Decision 80/1186/EEC is hereby increased to 2,000 ECU.

The amounts laid down in Article 16(2) of the said Annex II are hereby increased to 140 ECU and 400 ECU respectively.

Article 2

This Decision shall take effect on 1 May 1983.

Done at Luxembourg,

For the Council
The President