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REGULATION (EEC) OF THE COUNCIL

on the temporary, partial suspension of the autonomous Common Customs Tariff duty on flight simulators of the type DC 10 "Link-Miles" falling within subheading ex 88.05 B

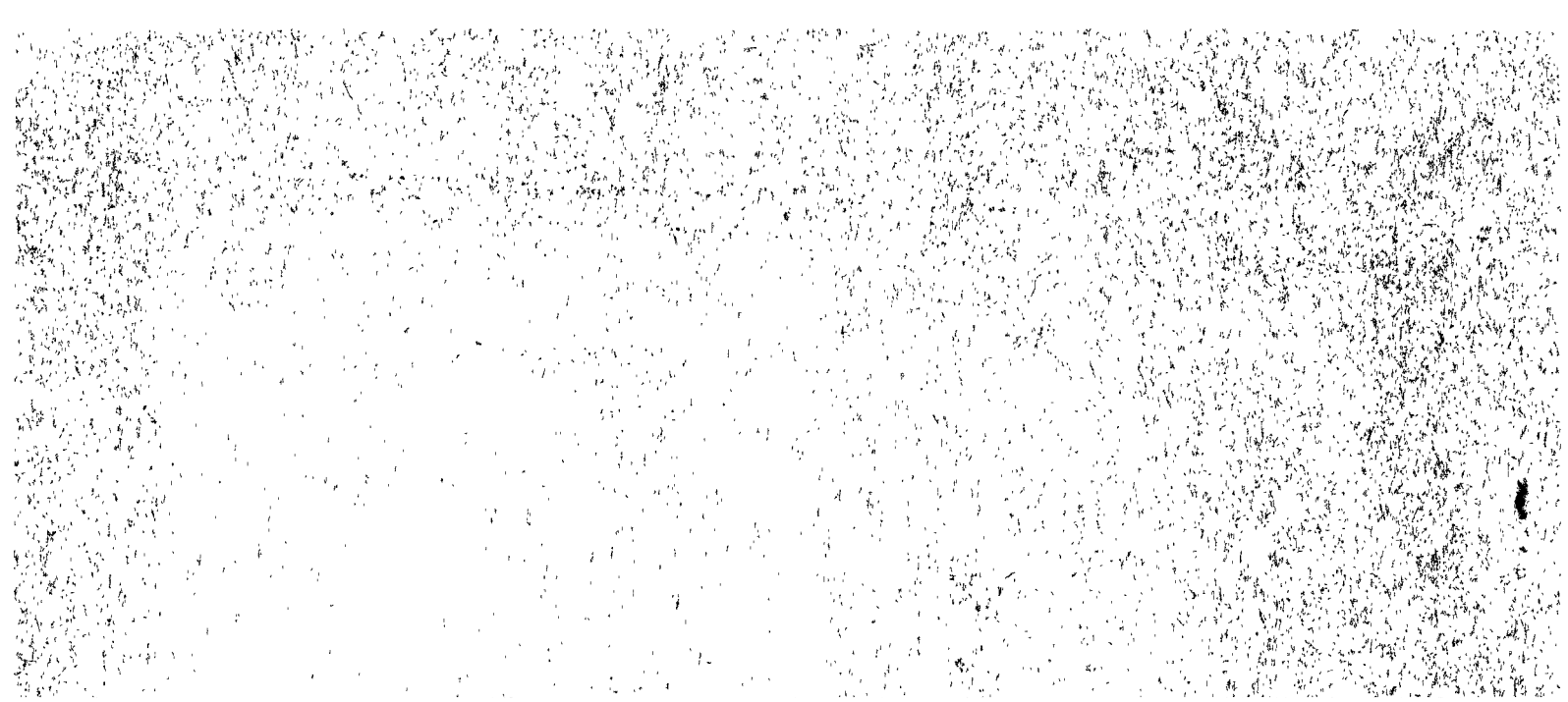
Proposal for

REGULATION (EEC) OF THE COUNCIL

on the temporary, total suspension of the customs duty applicable in the Community as originally constituted on flight simulators of the type DC 10 "Link-Miles" falling within subheading ex 88.05 B of the Common Customs Tariff and imported from the new Member States.

(submitted by the Commission to the Council)

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EXPLANATORY MEMORANDUM

In June 1974, the Belgian government submitted a request to the Commission for a total suspension of duty in the Common Customs Tariff on flight simulators of the types Boeing 737 "Atkins and Merrill" and DC 10 "Link-Miles". This request did not receive unanimous agreement amongst the Member States in the working groups concerned at Commission and Council level.

As a result of this, the Belgian delegation limited its request to the type DC "Link-Miles", which is produced in the United Kingdom. It stated that only one example of this product was to be imported. The Belgian delegation asked the Commission to submit to the Council at a later date a draft Regulation allowing duty free importation of the goods in question from the United Kingdom. At that time the "Economic Questions" group approved this compromise, with a waiting reservation by one delegation.

The Belgian delegation has now informed the Commission that it is expected that the flight simulator in question will be imported during June and July 1975.

The Commission therefore proposes to the Council to suspend, by virtue of Article 28 of the Treaty of Rome, the autonomous duty of the Common Customs Tariff from 5 % to the level of 4.5 % and then to suspend totally by virtue of Article 33 paragraph 2 of the Act of Accession the customs duty applicable in the Community as originally constituted to importations from the new Member States.

This proposal is based on the following reasons :

On the importation of a flight simulator from the United Kingdom, a customs duty of 2 % is at present applied, which increases the cost of this product (about 136,000,000 FB) by 2,720,000 FB. However, given that the goods in question are not produced in the Community as originally constituted, customs protection in regard to the new Member States seems hardly opportune.

The tariff measures proposed by the Commission are the subject of the draft Regulation, and the proposed Regulation annexed hereto.

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THE COUNCIL OF THE EUROPEAN COMMUNITIES,

Having regard to the Treaty establishing the European Economic Community,
and in particular Article 28 thereof;

Having regard to the draft of the Commission;

Whereas the autonomous duty on flight simulators of the type DC 10
"Link-Miles" should be suspended to the least of 4.5% for the period from
1 June to 31 July 1975.

HAS ADOPTED THIS REGULATION :

Article 1

From 1 June to 31 July 1975 the autonomous Common Customs Tariff duty for
flight simulators of the type DC 10 "Link-Miles" falling within
subheading ex 88.05 B shall be suspended to the level of 4.5 %.

Article 2

This Regulation shall enter into force on 1 June 1975.

This Regulation shall be binding in its entirety and directly
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Done at Brussels,

For the Council

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