

COMMISSION OF THE EUROPEAN COMMUNITIES

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Proposal for a

COUNCIL DECISION

amending quotas for the importation into the Federal Republic of
Germany of textile products originating in Poland

(Presented by the Commission to the Council)

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EXPLANATORY MEMORANDUM

1. On 16 August 1978 the German Government, in accordance with Article 3 of Council Decision 75/210/EEC of 27 March 1975 on unilateral import arrangements in respect of state-trading countries¹, notified the other Member States and the Commission of its desire for the following amendments to be made to the arrangements applied in the Federal Republic of Germany in respect of imports from Poland:

exceptional opening of the following additional quotas:

110 t of woven fabrics of flax or of ramie, of which 22 t of bed linen;

100 t of woven fabrics of man-made fibres;

150 000 pieces of industrial and occupational clothing;

50 000 pieces of men's parkas, anoraks, jackets and blazers, coats, cloaks and capes;

100 000 pieces of trousers.

reduction for 1978 in the utilization of the following quotas to the amounts stated below:

70 t of woven fabrics of sheep's or lambs' wool;

12 t of woven fabrics of raw cotton;

147 500 pieces of women's jackets and blazers, coats, cloaks and capes;

36 000 pieces of outer garments other than trousers;

¹OJ No L 99, 21.4.1975.

6 000 pieces of women's suits and costumes (CCT ex 61.01 - ex 61.02);
490 000 pieces of dresses, skirts and divided skirts (CCT ex 61.02);
670 000 pieces of under garments (CCT ex 61.03 - ex 61.04 - ex 61.09).

2. The Federal Republic of Germany's request calls for the following comments:

the additional quotas are exceptional and will therefore not be extended automatically next year;

the increases in five quotas are matched by reductions, sometimes of greater extent, in a larger number of quotas.

3. Since Germany's request does not pose any particular economic problems, the Commission could have decided itself, in accordance with Article 5(1) of Decision 75/210/EEC, on the measure desired by Germany.

However, in accordance with the first indent of Article 7 of the Decision, as negotiations on textile matters between Poland and the Community have been authorized, only the Council may decide on the measure in question.

This is why the matter is being brought before the Council.

4. Accordingly, the Commission proposes that the Council:

adopt the annexed draft decision; authorize its publication in the Official Journal of the European Communities.

PROPOSAL FOR COUNCIL DECISION
AMENDING QUOTAS FOR THE IMPORTATION INTO THE FEDERAL REPUBLIC OF GERMANY
OF TEXTILE PRODUCTS ORIGINATING IN POLAND

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 Council Decision 77/809/EEC¹ of 20 December 1977, as supplemented by
Council Decision 78/545/EEC², makes provision in Annex V (c), Poland, for quotas
to be opened by Germany for imports of, inter alia, textile products;

Whereas, in accordance with Article 3 of Council Decision 75/210/EEC of
27 March 1975³, Germany has requested the following amendments:

the opening, by way of exception for 1978, of the following additional
quotas:

110 tonnes of woven fabrics of flax or of ramie, of which 22 t of bed linen
(CCT ex 54.05 - ex 61.05 - ex 62.02);

100 tonnes of woven fabrics of man-made fibres (CCT ex 51.04)

150 000 pieces of industrial and occupational clothing (CCT ex 61.01 -
ex 61.02);

50 000 pieces of men's parkas, anoraks, jackets and blazers, coats,
cloaks and capes (CCT ex 61.01 - ex 61.02);

100 000 pieces of trousers, (CCT ex 61.01 - ex 61.02).

the reduction for 1978 in the utilization of the following quotas to
the amounts stated below:

70 tonnes of woven fabrics of sheep's or lambs' wool; (CCT ex 53.11 - ex 57.10);

12 tonnes of woven fabrics of raw cotton (CCT ex 55.09);

¹OJ No L 360, 31.12.1977, p.1.

²OJ No L 168, 26.6.1978, p.1.

³OJ No L 99, 21.4.1975, p.7.

147 500 pieces of women's jackets and blazers, coats, cloaks and capes (CCT ex 61.01 - ex 61.02);

36 000 pieces of outer garments other than trousers: (CCT ex 61.01 - ex 61.02)

6 000 pieces of women's suits and costumes: (CCT ex 61.01 - ex 61.02);

490 000 pieces of dresses, skirts and divided skirts: (CCT ex 61.02);

670 000 pieces of under garments (CCT ex 61.03 - ex 61.04 - ex 61.09).

Whereas, in these conditions, Germany's request poses no particular economic problems and the measures desired by that Member State should therefore be adopted;

Whereas the Council has authorized the negotiation of a textile agreement with Poland; whereas, consequently, in accordance with Article 7 of Decision 75/210/EEC. Member States may no longer implement measures amending their import arrangements applying to Poland as regards textile products without a prior decision being adopted by the Council in accordance with Article 113 of the Treaty.

HAS ADOPTED THIS DECISION:

Article 1

1. The Federal Republic of Germany shall open by way of exception for 1978 additional quotas for imports originating in Poland of the following products:

110 tonnes of woven fabrics of flax or of ramie, of which 22 t of bed linen;

100 tonnes of woven fabrics of man-made fibres;

150 000 pieces of industrial and occupational clothing;

50 000 pieces of men's parkas, anoraks, jackets and blazers, coats, cloaks and capes;

100 000 pieces of trousers.

2. The Federal Republic of Germany shall limit for 1978 the utilization of the following quotas to the amounts stated below:

- .70 tonnes of woven fabrics of sheep's or lambs' wool (CCT ex 53.11 - ex 57.10);
- 12 tonnes of woven fabrics of raw cotton (CCT ex 55.09);
- 147 500 pieces of women's jackets and blazers, coats, cloaks and capes (CCT ex 61.01 - ex 61.02);
- 36 000 pieces of outer garments other than trousers; (CCT ex 61.01 - ex 61.02);
- 6 000 pieces of women's suits and costumes (CCT ex 61.01 - ex 61.02);
- 490 000 pieces of dresses, skirts and divided skirts; (CCT ex 61.02);
- 670 000 pieces of under garments. (CCT ex 61.03 - ex 61.04 - ex 61.09).

Article 2

This Decision is addressed to the Federal Republic of Germany.

Done at

For the Council

The President

